RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA STATE OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE MATTER OF PROVIDING A)		
PERFORMANCE SECURITY FOR THE)		
TAJIGUAS LANDFILL CAPACITY)	RESOLUTION NO. 24-169	
INCREASE PROJECT)		

WHEREAS, the Santa Barbara County Public Works Department, Resource Recovery and Waste Management Division (RRWMD) operates the Tajiguas Landfill; and

WHEREAS, RRWMD intends to construct the Tajiguas Landfill Capacity Increase Project, approved by the Board of Supervisors on March 19, 2024, to provide landfill disposal capacity to the communities served by the landfill until approximately December 31, 2038; and

WHEREAS, Portions of the Tajiguas Landfill Capacity Increase Project area is located within habitat where individuals of the Crotch's bumblebee, a candidate species for listing on the California Endangered Species Act (CESA), have been observed; and

WHEREAS, the Tajiguas Landfill Capacity Increase Project environmental impacts are addressed in 23EIR-00001 certified by the Board of Supervisors on March 19, 2024 and impacts to the Crotch's bumble were identified as potentially significant and unavoidable and the mitigation for impacts to Crotch's bumblebee included consultation with the California Department of Fish and Game, construction timing (where feasible) and restoration and enhancement of suitable habitat, and

WHEREAS, the Capacity Increase Project will require an Incidental Take Permit under the CESA, and

WHEREAS, as a part of the issuance of an Incidental Take Permit, Fish and Game Code Section 2081, subdivision (b)(3) requires the applicant to ensure adequate funding to implement the measures to minimize and fully mitigate the authorized take, and to monitor compliance with and effectiveness of those measures, and

WHEREAS, RRWMD proposes to implement habitat restoration/enhancement and conservation on the County-owned Baron Ranch (APN 081-150-032) and hydroseeding of impacted slopes at the Tajiguas Landfill property (APN 081-150-026), and

WHEREAS, the California Department of Fish and Wildlife requires a performance security to guarantee the successful implementation and monitoring of the mitigation activities and to allow for California Department of Fish and Wildlife to draw upon adequate funds to complete the mitigation in the event RRWMD fails to fulfill its mitigation requirements.

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NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED,

- 1. The County hereby authorizes the establishment of performance security in a form agreeable to the County and California Department of Fish and Wildlife to be approved in the estimated amount of \$1,051,139.70 for the sole and exclusive purpose of providing the performance security required for the Incidental Take Permit until such time as the performance security is either called by the California Department of Fish and Wildlife or is no longer required because RRWMD has completed the mitigation and conservation requirements in accordance with the applicable performance criteria set forth in the approved habitat restoration plan and Incidental Take Permit.
- 2. The Public Works Director or his designee is hereby delegated the authority, upon advice and consent of County Counsel, the Treasurer Tax Collector and the Auditor-Controller, to take all actions necessary to complete the creation of the performance security.
- 3. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption by the Board of Supervisors.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the County of Santa Barbara Board of Supervisors, State of California, this 16th day of July, 2024 by the following vote:

AYES: Supervisors Williams, Capps, Hartmann and Lavagnino

NOES: None

ABSENT: Supervisor Nelosn

ABSTAIN: None

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ATTEST:	

MONA MIYASATO COUNTY EECUTIVE OFFICER CLERK OF THE BOARD COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA

APPROVED AS TO FORM: RACHEL VAN MULLEM County Counsel

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By: | Johannah Hartley

Deputy County Counsel

APPROVED AS TO ACCOUNTING FORM:

BETSY M. SCHAFFER, CPA

Auditor-Controller

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Steve Lavagnino, Chair Board of Supervisors

By: Juan Izquierde

Deputy