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**BEFORE THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE
SITES PROJECT AUTHORITY**

Resolution No. 2017-____

In the Matter of:

**Authorizing Filing Application to California Water Commission under Water
Storage Investment Program for the Sites Project.**

WHEREAS, the Water Storage Investment Program (“WSIP”) is provided for at Chapter 8 (commencing at Section 79750) of Division 26.7, of the California Water Code, which is part of the November 2014 voter-approved Proposition 1, the process for which is specified in regulations promulgated by the California Water Commission at California Code of Regulations, Title 23, Division 7, Chapter 1 (“WSIP Regulation”); and

WHEREAS, the Sites Project Authority (“Authority”) is a joint powers authority formed by and existing among various irrigation districts and other local water districts and local governments within the Sacramento River hydrologic region pursuant to a Joint Exercise of Powers Agreement as last amended February 13, 2017, and through a Reservoir Committee established by the Authority has partners that are not located within said hydrologic region, participating with development of the Sites Project, all as authorized by Water Code Section 79759 of the WSIP authorizing act; and

WHEREAS, the Sites Project, very generally and as described in detail in the application authorize to be filed by this Resolution and its attachments, is a proposed off-stream reservoir to store unregulated water within the Sacramento River watershed when this outflow is not meeting critical environmental, water quality and water supply needs, and to subsequently release such store water from the reservoir for beneficial uses for consumptive and in-stream flow purposes; and

WHEREAS, the Sites Project is among the surface storage projects identified in the CALFED Bay-Delta Program Record of Decision, date August 28, 2000, and is therefore eligible for funding under Water Code Section 79751(a); and

WHEREAS, this Board is familiar with and concurs in the draft of the application authorized to be filed by this Resolution;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by this Board of Directors as follows:

1. The foregoing recitals are true and correct;

2. The General Manager is authorized and directed to timely file an application for the Sites Project with the California Water Commission pursuant to WSIP and its implementing regulations referenced above; and
3. The Authority's officers and General Manager are authorized to do all things necessary and proper to carry out and implement filing the above reference application with the California Water Commission.

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Directors of the Sites Project Authority this 31st day of July 2017, by the following vote:

Ayes:

Nays:

Absent:

Abstain:

[add Secretary's Certificate]