



**Consultant Cost-Sharing Agreement for
Joint Hazard Mitigation Plans and America's
Water Infrastructure Act (2018) Update
Projects with the Municipal Water District of
Orange County (MWDOC)**

October 1, 2024

Background

- **Compliance with America's Water Infrastructure Act (AWIA)**
 - All community drinking water systems serving over 3,300 people must comply with the AWIA (Federal Mandate).
 - AWIA updates are required every 5 years.
- **Key Deadlines:**
 - Risk & Resiliency Assessments – Due March 31, 2025
 - Emergency Response Plans – Due September 30, 2025
- **Municipal Water District of Orange County (MWDOC)**
 - Administrator of the Water Emergency Response Organization of Orange County (WEROC)
 - Manages the Orange County Multijurisdictional Water and Wastewater Hazard Mitigation Plan (MJHMP)
 - Ensures compliance with AWIA requirements



Beneficial Agreement

- **Collaboration and Consistency with Orange County Agencies**
 - Shared infrastructure across the County
 - Similar emergency preparedness strategies
 - Executed similar agreement in 2018 for Compliance
- **Multijurisdictional Cost-Sharing**
 - Reduces preparation time and expenses for individual Agencies
 - 30 Agencies participating countywide
 - Ensures compliance with FEMA guidelines by established deadlines



Recommended Action

Approve and authorize execution of an Agreement for sharing consultant costs for completion of Joint Hazard Mitigation Plans and the America's Water Infrastructure Act of 2018 Update Projects with the Municipal Water District of Orange County (MWDOC).



Questions?

