



November 6, 2018

Desert Hot Springs City Hall, Council Chamber
65950 Pierson Blvd
Desert Hot Springs, CA 92240

RE: Request for City Council consideration and approval of Imperial and Riverside County Joint MOU Support Resolution

Dear City Manager and City Clerk to the City Council:

The Salton Sea Authority would like to request for your consideration the approval of the Imperial and Riverside County Joint MOU Support Resolution. Salton Sea Authority Staff would be happy to give a presentation to the city council, in order to inform the council and the public on the Imperial and Riverside County Joint MOU Support Resolution.

In recognition that cooperation among stakeholders affected by Salton Sea is paramount to solving its complex challenges, Riverside and Imperial Counties signed a joint Memorandum of Understanding calling for joint planning to ensure smooth development of a multi-benefit project known as the Perimeter Lake.

It is the intent of both counties to work together with local agencies on agreed projects and financing mechanisms such as an Enhanced Infrastructure Finance District ("EIFD") that would support projects and stimulate economic development around the Sea, such as recreational lakes and development of geothermal resources, while at the same time also mitigating air quality issues and creating vital habitat.

This Imperial and Riverside County Joint MOU Support Resolution has already been adopted by the Salton Sea Authority as have each of its member agencies (Riverside County, Imperial County, Torres Martinez Desert Cahuilla Indians, Coachella Valley Water District, Imperial Irrigation District), all of the Imperial County cities involved with the Salton Sea, and Coachella Valley Association of Governments (CVAG). Our goal is to ensure Palm Springs is properly provided with opportunity to consider joining forces with other entities that recognize cooperative planning for a Perimeter Lake project as an action empowering local agencies to move ahead in a project that can result in effective revitalization at the Sea.

Yours for a healthy and prosperous Salton Sea,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Phil Rosentrater", written over a blue ink scribble.

Phil Rosentrater, GM/Executive Director
Salton Sea Authority