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Allen Carlisle
CEO/General Manager
Padre Dam Municipal Water District
9300 Fanita Parkway
Santee, CA 92071

Re: Endorsement of Padre Dam’s Advanced Water Purification Project

Dear Mr. Carlisle:

The Water Reliability Coalition (WRC) is a broad-based group of 27 environmental, consumer, business, labor and technical organizations that have come together to support water reuse as a strategy to develop a safe, reliable, sustainable and cost-effective local water supply. The WRC is proud to offer its support for the East County Advanced Water Purification Program (AWPP). The AWPP will provide safe, locally controlled, drought-proof water supply to thousands of East County residents and will enhance the San Diego Region’s water supply reliability.

Currently, the Padre Dam Municipal Water District imports 100% of its drinking water supply from the Sacramento Bay Delta and the Colorado River. Conservation, water efficiency and locally controlled water supplies are increasingly necessary and critically important with prolonged and more frequent droughts.

By the completion of the project’s first phase in 2020, the AWPP will supply approximately 30% of Padre Dam’s drinkable water supply, providing a sustainable supply of water for up to 6,000 homes a year. Expansion of the program during phase two, which will be completed by 2025, will increase the amount of water purified to over 10 million gallons each day: enough to serve 26,000 homes a year. The WRC applauds the scope of this project, which is creating a new locally sourced, environmentally friendly supply of water in East County San Diego.

The WRC wholeheartedly endorses the East County Advanced Water Purification Project, and we applaud Padre Dam for its strong leadership advancing the project.

Sincerely,

Sean Karafin
Water Reliability Coalition Co-Chair

Matt O'Malley
Water Reliability Coalition Co-Chair

