



October 25th, 2019

Ms. Jill Creech, P.E.
Director of Regulation
South Florida Water Management District
P.O. Box 24680
West Palm Beach, FL 33416-4680

Re: C-51 Reservoir Phase I - City of Fort Lauderdale Letter of Intent

Dear Ms. Creech:

The City of Fort Lauderdale ("City") supports the C-51 Reservoir Project as an alternative water supply source. By this letter the City hereby expresses its intent to participate in Phase 1, subject to 1) approval by the City Commission of an Agreement for Capacity Allocation in Phase 1 of the C-51 Reservoir ("Agreement") including funding, 2) approval by South Florida Water Management District ("SFWMD") for a Water Use Permit (WUP) modification, and 3) satisfaction of conditions.

The City is aware that the SFWMD has determined, through interactive analysis and discussions with multiple utilities in South Florida, various 298 Districts, and Palm Beach Aggregates LLC ("PBA"), that the C-51 Reservoir Project will capture storm water that exceeds the needs of the environment and which would otherwise discharge to tidal waters, thereby assisting in meeting water supply demands in the SFWMD Lower East Coast ("LEC") Service Area as an alternative water supply source.

The City further understands that the SFWMD has issued a Water Use Permit for Phase 1 of the C-51 Reservoir to PBA that allows for utility allocations of 35 million gallons per day (MGD) in aggregate with an expiration date of December 27, 2065 (Reservoir WUP), and that Fort Lauderdale would seek its own Water Use Permit modification from SFWMD in accordance with the Reservoir WUP, similar to those issued to Broward County and the City of Hallandale Beach.

The purpose of this letter is to inform SFWMD, FDEP, and other participants of Fort Lauderdale's interest in moving forward with Phase 1 of the C-51 Reservoir, as described above, including execution of a Capacity Allocation Agreement upon consideration and approval of the City Commission. Fort Lauderdale will request a storage allocation and alternative water supply allocation calculating to 6 MGD from the C-51 Reservoir, subject to adjustment based on the final WUP permit allocation.

We look forward to working with you with respect to this project.

Sincerely,

Chris Lagerbloom, ICMA-CM
City Manager

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