

Upper Mokelumne River Watershed Authority

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Department of Water Resources Division of Integrated Regional Water Management

Subject: Inter-regional IRWM Joint Planning Grant application 'Eligible Applicant' written statement

To whom it may concern,

The purpose of this written statement is to document the Upper Mokelumne River Watershed Authority's (UMRWA or Authority) eligibility for a Proposition 84 Planning Grant. UMRWA is a joint powers authority formed in August 2000 and comprised of Alpine, Amador and Calaveras Counties and six water agencies which provide service within those counties. As a joint powers authority UMRWA is a 'local agency' as defined in Appendix B - Definitions of the IRWM Guidelines.

The UMRWA joint powers agreement is made pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 5 of Division 7 of Title 1 of the Government Code of the State and all laws amendatory thereof or supplemental thereto relating to the joint exercise of powers common to public agencies. The Authority is authorized in its own name to do all acts necessary or convenient to the exercise of its powers and purposes, including but not limited to the following (an excerpt from Section 6.1 of the UMRWA joint powers agreement):

- To exercise jointly the common powers of its Member Entities in studying, planning and implementing water and watershed projects.
- To make and enter contracts.
- To contract for the services of engineers, attorneys, planners, financial consultants or other agents, and separate and apart there from, to employ such other persons, as it deems necessary.
- To receive gifts, contributions and donations of property, funds, services and other forms of assistance from persons, firms, corporations and any governmental entity.
- To apply for an appropriate grant or grants and/or loan or loans under any federal, state or local programs.

Please contact me directly at robalcott@aol.com or 707-785-1008 if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

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