

MEMORANDUM

TO: Governing Board

FROM: Tom Mirti, Deputy Executive Director, Water and Land Resources

DATE: July 31, 2019

RE: Authorization to Modify and Extend Contract Number 05/06-102 with Nestlé Waters North America

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends the Governing Board authorize the Executive Director to modify and extend the current revenue contract with Nestlé Waters North America beginning October 1, 2019 through the end of the existing permit on May 6, 2028, with annual payment to the District of \$70,000 for monitoring of the Withlacoochee River and Madison Blue Spring.

BACKGROUND

The water use permit for Nestlé Waters North America (Nwana), 2-079-218544-8, requires environmental monitoring for the Withlacoochee River and Madison Blue Spring. Staff finds that it is efficient and effective for the permittee to pay the District to include the gages in our cooperative network with the U.S. Geological Survey (USGS).

The annual payment of \$70,000 will help fund continuous stage and discharge data at the Withlacoochee River near Lee and the Madison Blue Spring gages, including funding toward continuous water quality sensors at the Blue Spring gage.

All revenues will be passed through to a separate inter-agency agreement with the USGS to conduct the monitoring.

THM/pf