

THE HONORABLE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF BERRIEN COUNTY, MICHIGAN RECOMMENDS THE ADOPTION OF THE FOLLOWING:

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the Benton Harbor-St. Joseph Joint Wastewater Treatment Plant is located on Anchors Way in the City of St. Joseph; and

WHEREAS, Anchors Way provides the sole access route to the plant and is vitally important for employee access and the delivery of supplies that are critical to the plant's ability to treat wastewater and protect the environment; and

WHEREAS, the plant is a regional critical infrastructure facility that treats wastewater supporting a population of approximately 57,000 people in the cities of Benton Harbor and St. Joseph, the charter townships of Benton, Lincoln, and St. Joseph, and the townships of Royalton and Sodus; and

WHEREAS, the road is below the 1% - annual chance flood elevation at several locations; and

WHEREAS, located between the St. Joseph River and the Morrison Channel, high water and high-intensity rainfall events have consistently resulted in flooding on Anchors Way; and

WHEREAS, grant funds are available through the Michigan Department of Environmental, Great Lakes, and Energy Water Resources Division – Coastal Management Program; and

WHEREAS, the City of St. Joseph is applying for the High Water Infrastructure Grant to analyze and design a solution for the flooding issue on Anchors Way.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that the Berrien County Board of Commissioners, including but not limited to the districts directly served by the plant, support the High Water Infrastructure Grant application to address the flooding issue on Anchors Way in the City of St. Joseph which houses the Benton Harbor-St. Joseph Joint Wastewater Treatment Plant

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