METROPOLITAN WASHINGTON COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS 777 North Capitol Street, NE Washington, D.C. 20002-4239

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO ENTER INTO A MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING WITH THE PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL RESOURCES TO PROVIDE ANACOSTIA RIVER WATERSHED TRASH TMDL MONITORING -RELATED SUPPORT SERVICES

WHEREAS, the Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments (COG) is both a nationally recognized watershed restoration expert and has provided coordination, management, and technical support for the Anacostia restoration effort since 1987; and

WHEREAS, COG has a continuing interest in the restoration, management and protection of the Anacostia River and its tributaries; and

WHEREAS, COG is recognized as a leader in Anacostia watershed restoration and trash reduction and has, since 1988, regularly surveyed major portions of the Anacostia tributary system, helped develop both the 2006 Anacostia Watershed Trash Reduction Strategy, as well as 200 stormwater management, stream restoration, wetland creation, riparian reforestation and trash reduction projects in the watershed, and has worked with its many partners to increase citizen participation in the restoration effort; and

WHEREAS, the Anacostia watershed has been listed under section 303 (d) of the Clean Water Act as being impaired by high trash levels, and the state of Maryland is currently developing a trash total maximum daily load (TMDL) for its portion of the watershed; and

WHERAS, at its June 14, 2006 meeting, the COG Board of Directors adopted Resolution R28-06 establishing a new Anacostia governance structure for the restoration of the Anacostia watershed, including the formation of a new Anacostia Watershed Steering Committee; and

WHEREAS, since 1987, Prince George's County has been instrumental in the restoration of the Anacostia River and its tributaries, and is an active voting member of the Anacostia Watershed Steering Committee (AWSC) and Anacostia Watershed Management Committee (AWMC); and

WHEREAS, over the past three years, COG has worked cooperatively with Prince George's County, the state of Maryland and Anacostia citizenry to successfully monitor and reduce trash levels in Sligo Creek and other parts of the Anacostia watershed.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE METROPOLITAN WASHINGTON COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS THAT:

The Executive Director, or his designee, is authorized to enter into a memorandum of understanding (MOU) to provide Anacostia trash TMDL monitoring-related services to Prince George's County. The contractual services identified in the MOU will not exceed the amount of \$56,470 with funding provided by Prince George's County. No COG match is required. The project duration is one year.