

RESOLUTION NO. 3283

RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE JURUPA COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT DECLARING A DROUGHT RESPONSE LEVEL 1 (DROUGHT WATCH) CONDITION PURSUANT TO THE DISTRICT'S WATER SHORTAGE CONTINGENCY PLAN (ORDINANCE NO. 389)

WHEREAS, the Jurupa Community Services District (the "District") is responsible for providing safe and reliable water services to over 130,000 customers in the Cities of Eastvale and Jurupa Valley; and

WHEREAS, as provided by Ordinance No. 389, the Board of Directors moved the District from a Drought Level 3 (Drought Alert) to a Drought Response Level 2 (Drought Caution) on August 8, 2016, in compliance with the Governor's Executive Order B-37-16; and

WHEREAS, warm temperatures and extremely dry conditions culminated in a historic multi-year drought throughout California and locally in Riverside County from 2021 to 2023; and

WHEREAS, on July 8, 2021, the Governor issued Executive Order N-10-21, calling on all Californians to voluntarily reduce their water usage by 15% from the previous year's levels; and

WHEREAS, on August 17, 2021, the Metropolitan Water District of Southern California issued a Condition 2 – Water Supply Alert, calling on its member agencies, cities, and counties to implement voluntary conservation measures that support reducing water use; and

WHEREAS, on October 11, 2021, the Board of Directors declared a Water Supply Alert, which encouraged customers to voluntarily reduce their water use by 15 percent and implement water use efficiency measures; and

WHEREAS, on October 19, 2021, the Governor issued proclamations that a state of emergency exists statewide due to severe drought conditions and directed state agencies to take immediate action to preserve critical water supplies and mitigate the effects of drought and ensure the protection of health, safety, and the environment; and

WHEREAS, on March 28, 2022, the Governor signed an Executive Order N-7-22 directing the State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) to adopt emergency regulations to increase water conservation by requiring urban water supplies to move to at least Level 2 of their water shortage contingency plans, and establishing a

temporary ban on the irrigation of non-functional turf with potable water by entities in the commercial, industrial, and institutional (CII) sectors; and

WHEREAS, in response to Executive Order N-7-22 and action by the State Water Board, on September 26, 2022, the Board of Directors adopted Ordinance No. 459, establishing rules to prevent wasteful water uses related to non-functional turf in accordance with Section 996 of the Water Code; and

WHEREAS, in late 2022 and early 2023, California experienced historic levels of rainfall and snowpack, including one of the wettest periods on record in January 2023, which was 205 percent of average; and

WHEREAS, the Governor issued Executive Order N-3-23 on February 13, 2023, continuing the drought emergency and regulations but directing state agencies to evaluate whether any existing drought provisions are no longer needed to prepare for and mitigate drought conditions; and

WHEREAS, on March 15, 2023, the Metropolitan Water District of Southern California rescinded its emergency conservation mandate reflecting improvements in the availability of State Water Project supplies and storage reserve; and

WHEREAS, on March 24, 2023, the Governor issued Executive Order N-5-23, which, in part, terminates the portion of Executive Order N-7-22 requiring urban water supplies to activate Level 2 of their water shortage contingency plans while maintaining several water waste restrictions; and

WHEREAS, according to the April 13, 2023 assessment of the United States Drought Monitor, no region of California is experiencing Exceptional Drought, Extreme Drought, or Severe Drought conditions, and only 8% of California is experiencing Moderate Drought Conditions; and

WHEREAS, according to the United States Drought Monitor, the District's service area is no longer experiencing drought nor dry conditions as of April 13, 2023;

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors now wishes to lower the District's drought level by declaring a Drought Response Level 1 (Drought Watch) in response to improvements to the region's drought conditions and in compliance with the Governor's Executive Order N-5-23.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that, in accordance with Ordinance No. 389 as amended by Ordinance 458, the Board of Directors of Jurupa Community Services District does hereby declare a Drought Response Level 1 (Drought Watch) condition. The General Manager is authorized and directed to implement the Level 1 water conservation measures.


BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of Jurupa Community Services District understands that the region and state's water resources face several long-term threats pertaining to reoccurring drought, supply shortages, and water quality issues and therefore continues to encourage its customers to voluntarily reduce their use of water, take advantage of conservation rebate programs, and implement water use efficiency measures.

ADOPTED this 24TH day of April 2023.



Lupe R. Nava
President of the Board of Directors

ATTEST:



Maria E. Ayala
Secretary to the Board of Directors

CERTIFICATION

I, Maria E. Ayala, Secretary to the Board of Directors of Jurupa Community Services District, certify that the foregoing resolution was adopted by the Board of Directors at a regular meeting held on the 24th day of April 2023, by the following vote of the Directors:

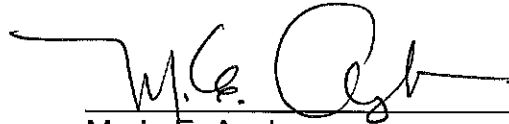
AYES: Director Nava, Director Moreno, Director Folsom, Director Herda, Director McLaughlin

NOES: None.

ABSENT: None.

ABSTAINED: None.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the official seal of Jurupa Community Services District this 24th day of April 2023.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'M.E. Ayala', written over a horizontal line.

Maria E. Ayala
Secretary to the Board of Directors