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Triunfo Water & Sanitation District
Ventura County, California

WATERING DAYS REVISION TO STAGE 1 OF THE WATER SHORTAGE CONTINGENCY PLAN - RESOLUTION NO. TWSD 2022-010

Summary

California is now in its third consecutive year of drought, and this year has seen the driest first three months of the year on record. On March 18th, the Department of Water Resources announced that water agencies throughout California that are dependent on State Water Project water should prepare for only 5 percent of a full supply for 2022. As a result, and in response to the ongoing drought emergency and anticipated reductions in water allocations, on April 6th the Calleguas Municipal Water District (CMWD) declared a Stage 3 Water Shortage condition. As part of that condition, CMWD requires its Purveyors to implement mandatory water conservation measures, including a 1 day per week limit on outdoor irrigation. Failure by a purveyor to reduce its consumption by 30% (baseline year to be determined) could result in strict penalties beginning at \$2,000 per acre-foot of water over targeted goals for the agency. The final determination regarding penalties is pending Metropolitan Board action scheduled for April 26.

Staff reviewed the current restrictions contained within the 2020 Urban Water Management Plan (UWMP), Section 8, which allows for an outdoor irrigation allotment of 3 days per week for the summer months. In order to comply with the 1 day per week requirement, the District's UWMP will need to be revised. If the District is unable to achieve the 30% goal, further restrictions may be necessary, including no outdoor irrigation as well as allocating water to customers based on a gallons per day allotment.

Following consultation with District Legal Counsel, and in light of potential additional restrictions being levied, it was determined the best way to achieve the 1 day per week irrigation mandate was via a District Resolution. District Legal Counsel drafted Resolution No. TWSD 2022-010 to address the need for outdoor irrigation restrictions under Stage 1 and providing the vehicle for its implementation. Staff recommends your Board discuss and approve Resolution No. TWSD 2022-010 thereby revising the UWMP Stage 1 watering days from 3 days per week to just 1 day per week. This action will remain in effect pending further direction from the State or CMWD.

Please contact me at 805-658-4621 or email marknorris@trunfowsd.com if you have any questions or need additional information.

Fiscal Impact

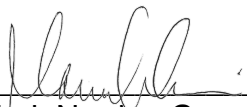
Yes. Implementation of the outdoor irrigation mandate will impact the overall FY2021-2022 Adopted Budget. Although the District will be purchasing less water, the net loss of revenue from the 30% reduction in water sales could exceed \$1.4M (on an annual basis) depending on base year used for determining the 30% reduction. Staff will make adjustments, as necessary, to the upcoming FY2022-2023 draft budget in anticipation of this continuing well into the next budget cycle.

Recommendation

It is recommended the Board:

- A. Discuss and approve the revised 1 day per week outdoor irrigation restriction for Stage 1 in Chapter 8 of the 2020 UWMP and authorize the Chair to sign Resolution No. TWSD 2022-010; and
- B. Direct staff to post the revised restrictions for outdoor irrigation to 1 day per week, effective June 1, 2022 to the District's website; and
- C. Direct staff to insert this change in outdoor watering days in the message box on the District's potable water bills; or
- D. Provide staff with alternative direction.

REVIEWED AND APPROVED



Mark Norris - General Manager

Attachment: Resolution No. TWSD 2022-010

RESOLUTION NO. TWSD 2022-010

A RESOLUTION OF THE TRIUNFO WATER & SANITATION DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS REGARDING WATER SHORTAGE CONTINGENCY PLANNING AND IMPLEMENTATION OF MANDATORY CONSERVATION MEASURES FOR POTABLE WATER USAGE

WHEREAS, the Triunfo Water & Sanitation District (TWSD) has duly adopted the 2020 Urban Water Management Plan (UWMP) and Ordinance No. TWSD-350 which provides for the policy and fee structure for potable water usage; and

WHEREAS, California Water Code Section 10632 (a) and Senate Bill 606 set Standard Water Shortage Levels and Shortage Response Actions; and

WHEREAS, the State of California has entered a third consecutive year of drought during which annual precipitation, snowpack, and resultant runoff levels have been markedly below that which is needed to both adequately replenish key reservoirs and meet current water demands; and

WHEREAS, on August 18, 2021, the Board of Directors of Calleguas Municipal Water District (CMWD) adopted Resolution 2024 which declared a Stage 2 Water Shortage and called for enhanced water use efficiency efforts; and

WHEREAS, on October 19, 2021, Governor Gavin Newsom proclaimed that a state of emergency exists in all California counties due to severe drought conditions, and called on all local and regional water suppliers to implement Water Shortage Contingency Plans (WSCPs) that are responsive to local conditions; and

WHEREAS, on November 1, 2021, TWSD declared a Stage 1 Water Shortage and implemented the corresponding restrictions on watering days to 2 days per week for November through March and 3 days per week thereafter; and

WHEREAS, on November 9, 2021, Metropolitan Water District (MWD) declared that specified drought emergency conditions exist within its service area and called on all member agencies to immediately implement conservation to reduce the use of State Water Project (SWP) supplies; and

WHEREAS, on November 17, 2021, the Board of Directors of CMWD adopted Resolution 2033 which called upon those purveyors receiving water from CMWD to implement appropriate measures to achieve a 15 percent reduction in demands from 2020 to extend SWP storage reserves; and

WHEREAS, on March 18, 2022, the California Department of Water Resources (DWR) announced that it reduced the calendar year 2022 SWP allocation to five percent, and current projections indicate that the final allocation will remain five percent; and

WHEREAS, MWD is developing an approach to allocate water to its SWP dependent Member Agencies which is expected to be based on DWR's 55 gallons-per-capita-per-day

(GPCD) indoor water use target, including for Human Health and Safety water use requirements established by DWR, and will incorporate a water balance target that considers all available potable supplies to serve the population within the SWP dependent areas in calendar year 2022; and

WHEREAS, on March 28, 2022, Governor Newsom issued Executive Order N-7-22 calling on each urban water supplier that has submitted a WSCP to implement, at a minimum, a Level 2 Water Shortage, and encourages conservation based on a shortage level of up to thirty percent (Level 3 Water Shortage); and

WHEREAS, on April 6, 2022, CMWD declared a Stage 3 Water Shortage and called for a 30% reduction in water usage by its purveyors.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AND DETERMINED, THAT:

1. All recitals contained above are true and incorporated by reference herein.
2. In response to the water shortage restrictions being implemented by the State, MWD, and CMWD, the Board hereby amends the outdoor irrigation provisions under Stage 1 of the 2020 UWMP, Section 8, from the current 3 days per week for the months March through November to 1 day per week.
3. This action will be held in place pending further direction from the State, MWD, or CMWD and the Board revises the District's restrictions, or the District changes the Stage 1 alert.
4. The revised restrictions on outdoor irrigation become effective June 1, 2022.

PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED this 25th day of April, 2022 by the following vote:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

ABSTAIN:

Leon Shapiro, Chair
Triunfo Water & Sanitation District
Board of Directors

Attest:

Fidela Garcia
Clerk of the Board

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

John Mathews, District Counsel

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