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Triunfo Water & Sanitation District
Ventura County, California

RESCINDING ONE-DAY-PER-WEEK WATERING RESTRICTIONS

Summary

On February 15, 2023, as a result of welcome statewide precipitation and the State Department of Water Resources increasing the State Water Project Allocation to 30% of contract amounts for 2023, the Calleguas Municipal Water District (Calleguas) suspended enforcement of one-day-per-week watering restrictions that have been in place since June 1, 2022.

In addition, Calleguas rescinded the Stage 3 Water Shortage condition that has been in place within its service area since April 6, 2022, but declared that a Stage 2 Water Shortage still exists. Under a Stage 2 Water Shortage, Calleguas expects a 20% gap between its estimated core supplies and unconstrained customer demand. As such, Calleguas is still calling on water users in its service area to maintain vigilance with respect to water use and to continue implementing measures to reduce water use to further extend stored water supplies in the event dry conditions return in Water Year 2022-2023 and beyond. Calleguas is also recommending that its purveyors maintain water demand reduction measures consistent with existing Water Shortage Contingency Plans.

On August 23, 2021, your Board declared a Stage 1 Water Shortage under Triunfo's Urban Water Management Plan (UWMP), calling for a reduction of up to 20% in water use by customers and restricting outdoor watering to 2 days per week for November through March and 3 days per week at all other times.

On April 25 and September 19, 2022, your Board adopted, by resolutions, amendments to the outdoor irrigation provisions under Stage 1 of Triunfo's UWMP to be consistent with the one-day-per-week restrictions imposed by Calleguas. These amendments first went into effect on June 1, 2022.

Staff has reviewed the current restrictions contained within the UWMP and recommends rescinding the amendments adopted by your Board on April 25 and September 19, 2022. Under this scenario, customers will still be asked to reduce their water use by up to 20% and outdoor water use will be restricted to 2 days per week between November and

March, and 3 days per week during all other times.

Fiscal Impact

The impact of discontinuing the 1-day per week watering restrictions is not fully known. Staff will make adjustments, as necessary, to the FY2022-2023 Adopted Budget and report any changes to the Board.

Recommendation

It is recommended the Board:

- A. Rescind the amendments adopted on April 25 and September 19, 2022, to the outdoor irrigation provisions under Stage 1 of the 2020 UWMP, Section 8, that restricted outdoor watering to 1 day per week and 10 minutes per station, or
- B. Provide staff with alternative direction.

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REVIEWED AND APPROVED



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