

ORDINANCE NO. 19-2
AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOARD OF THE DIRECTORS
OF THE CARPINTERIA VALLEY WATER DISTRICT
REDUCING THE STAGE TWO
DROUGHT CONDITION TO A STAGE ONE DROUGHT CONDITION AND
AMMENDING WATER USE RESTRICTION REGULATIONS

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors on May 13, 2015 adopted Ordinance 15-2 Amending and Superseding Ordinance 15-1 and Declaring a Stage Two Drought Condition and Establishing Water Use Regulations to be effective during a Stage Two Drought Condition; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors on December 12th, 2018 extended Ordinance 15-2 Declaring a Stage Two Drought Condition to be effective through December 2019 unless rescinded; and

WHEREAS, Ordinance 15-2 required certain mandatory restrictions and prohibitions on water use and, required certain mandatory actions by water users, and established a structure for the District to assess penalties to violators of said requirements and prohibitions, and

WHEREAS, rainfall in the recent winter has reduced the potential for short term water shortages by refilling Lake Cachuma to above 100,000 AF, and

WHEREAS, rainfall in the recent winter has provided some recharge to the Carpinteria Groundwater Basin improving the potential for the groundwater basin to recover from the 7-year drought, and

WHEREAS, as the Board of Directors finds that the restrictions and prohibitions set forth in Ordinance 15-2 are no longer appropriate, and

WHEREAS, it is still in the best interests of the customers of the District for the District to have regulations in place to manage water demands in order to prepare for potential additional dry years until Lake Cachuma and the local groundwater basin have fully recovered, and

WHEREAS, in order to protect the water supply for human consumption, sanitation, and fire protection into the future, that during this drought recovery period the following voluntary water use recommendations shall be in effect, and

WHEREAS, all water wasting activities prohibited in the District Rules and Regulations shall remain in effect regardless of drought or water shortage conditions.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED, That Carpinteria Valley Water District rescinds Ordinance 15-2 by the adoption of this Ordinance and by doing so lifts the mandatory water restriction and prohibitions and associated penalties and lowers the drought condition from a Stage Two to a Stage One.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED pursuant to Section 31026 of the Water Code, the Carpinteria Valley Water District recommends the following to preserve water supply during the drought recovery period:

a) Continued efforts by the public to save water, in particular continue efficient landscape water use and taking advantage of the water conservation opportunities offered by the District to achieve at least a fifteen (15%) water use reduction from pre-drought district-wide water use in calendar year 2013:

b) Abstention from washing of driveways with garden hose. Pressure washers are recommended if paving must be washed down:

c) Avoid irrigation of outdoor landscapes that causes runoff such that water flows onto adjacent property such as patios, decks or driveways, private and public walkways, roadways, parking lots, or structures:

d) Equip any decorative water fountain or device with recirculating pump:

e) Avoid irrigation of turf or ornamental landscapes during and forty-eight (48) hours following measurable rainfall:

f) Free-flowing hoses for all uses should be avoided. Automatic shut-off valves or nozzles shall be attached to hoses:

g) All restaurants located within the Carpinteria Valley Water District are encouraged to only serve water upon specific request by a customer:

h) Boats and vehicles should be washed only at commercial car washing facilities or by use of a bucket and/or hose equipped with a self-closing valve that requires operator pressure to activate the flow of water:

i) Immediately repair all leaks and water line breaks:

j) Operators of hotels, motels and other commercial lodging establishments located within the Carpinteria Valley Water District shall post in each room a notice containing water conservation information and a separate notice with language similar to the following:

If you wish to have your sheets changed while you are staying, please leave this notice on your pillow. If you would like your towels changed, please leave them on the floor. Housekeeping will be pleased to accommodate you."

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that to the extent that the terms and provisions of this Ordinance are inconsistent or in conflict with the terms and provisions of any prior District ordinance, resolution, rule or regulation, the terms of this Ordinance shall prevail, and inconsistent and conflicting provisions of prior ordinances, resolutions, rules and regulations shall be suspended during the effective period of this Ordinance.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that in the event the State adopts mandatory water conservation measures requiring implementation by the District during a water shortage emergency, and such State mandate measures require additional water conservation actions beyond the District's currently enforceable conservation measures, such State-mandated measures shall automatically be deemed to be fully incorporated and part of this Ordinance and enforceable by the District.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that if any section, subsection, sentence, clause or phrase of this Ordinance is for any reason held to be unconstitutional or invalid, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this ordinance. The Board hereby declares that it would have passed this Ordinance and each section, subsection, sentence, clause or phrase thereof irrespective of the fact that any one or more sections, subsections, sentences, clauses or phrases be unconstitutional or invalid.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that this Ordinance is an urgency ordinance. It is necessary that the restrictions set forth in this Ordinance be adopted as set forth herein in order to protect the supply of water for human consumption, sanitation and fire protection.

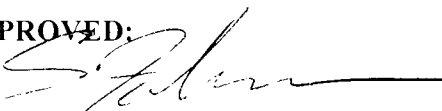
BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that this Ordinance shall take effect on July 1, 2019 and terminate on July 1, 2020.

Vote on Ordinance No. 19-2 by roll call resulted as follows:

AYES: Capozza, Holcombe , Van Wingerden ,Johnson
NOES:
ABSENT: Roberts
ABSTAIN:


PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Directors of the Carpinteria Valley Water District, this 22 day of May 2019.

APPROVED:



Shirley Johnson, Vice President

ATTEST:



Robert McDonald, Secretary