

RESOLUTION NO. 2026-01

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CLEARLAKE
APPROVING AND ADOPTING THE 2025 LAKE COUNTY STORMWATER RESOURCES PLAN**

WHEREAS, Senate Bill 985 (SB 985) requires jurisdictions to adopt a Stormwater Resources Plan (SWRP) as a precondition for eligibility to receive state bond-funded stormwater and dry-weather runoff capture grants issued after 2014; and

WHEREAS, the 2025 Lake County Stormwater Resources Plan provides the State-required framework to capture, manage, and beneficially use stormwater and dry-weather runoff, thereby ensuring that Lake County and its municipalities remain eligible for Proposition-based and other state and federal funding programs; and

WHEREAS, the SWRP inventories projects submitted by local jurisdictions and agencies across the Clear Lake Basin and evaluates them using a standardized, metrics-based scoring system consistent with the 2015 State Water Resources Control Board guidelines, allowing the region to prioritize multi-benefit stormwater, watershed, flood-management, and water-quality improvements; and

WHEREAS, adoption of the SWRP does not commit the City to construct any listed project, allocate local funds, or authorize immediate implementation, but rather establishes an administrative foundation for continued participation in future grant cycles and inter-agency coordination; and

WHEREAS, the Stormwater Resources Plan advances the City's goals for watershed protection, environmental stewardship, groundwater recharge, flood-risk reduction, climate adaptation, and long-term infrastructure resilience; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of Clearlake hereby approves and adopts the 2025 Lake County Stormwater Resources Plan and finds the adoption of the Stormwater Resources Plan exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act pursuant to CEQA Guidelines sections 15378(b)(4), 15306, and 15061(b)(3).

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT City staff is authorized and directed to use the Stormwater Resources Plan to guide future stormwater and watershed planning, project development, inter-agency coordination, and grant-application efforts.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT City staff is authorized and directed to forward the adopted Stormwater Resources Plan to the State Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB) and to applicable Clean Water Program partner agencies, as required to maintain eligibility for Proposition-funded and other state stormwater and watershed grant programs.

AYES:

NOES:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT:

Approved:

Dirk Slooten, Mayor

City of Clearlake

Attest:

Melissa Swanson, City Clerk

City of Clearlake