

**RESOLUTION NO. WA-2022-05**

**RESOLUTION ADOPTING LEVEL 2 DEMAND REDUCTION ACTIONS AS  
OUTLINED IN THE AUTHORITY'S WATER SHORTAGE CONTINGENCY PLAN,  
AND AS REQUIRED BY THE STATE WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD'S  
DROUGHT EMERGENCY RULEMAKING**

**WHEREAS**, the State of California ("State") is now in its third consecutive year of drought, and in each year of the current drought, annual precipitation levels were inadequate to fill the state's key reservoirs; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Coachella ("City") through the Coachella Water Authority is an urban water supplier as defined in Water Code Section 10617; and

**WHEREAS**, the City has been promoting conservation as a way of life and water efficiency practices, while eliminating wasteful water use; and

**WHEREAS**, on April 21, 2021, May 10, 2021, July 8, 2021, and October 19, 2021, the California Governor ("Governor") proclaimed states of emergency that continue today and exist across all counties of California, due to extreme and expanding drought conditions; and

**WHEREAS**, the Statewide water use reduction goal of 15 percent from 2020 levels has not been achieved; and

**WHEREAS**, on March 28, 2022, the Governor reaffirmed these provisions and directed the State Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB) to consider adopting emergency regulations that will lead to enhanced water conservation and improved drought resiliency; and

**WHEREAS**, on May 24, 2022, SWRCB adopted Emergency Regulations to Reduce Water Demand and Improve Water Conservation (California Code of Regulations, Title 23, section 996 ["Section 996"]), to respond to emergency conditions and facilitate statewide urban conservation; and

**WHEREAS**, the regulations require urban water suppliers, including the City, to implement certain water conservation measures contained in their water shortage contingency plans; and

**WHEREAS**, the regulations specifically require the City to implement the requirements and actions as specified in Stage II of the Water Shortage Contingency Plan; and

**WHEREAS**, the City desires to implement the appropriate water conservation measures contained in the Water Shortage Contingency Plan to ensure a stable and reliable water supply for residents and businesses to help the State address ongoing drought, and to fully comply with the Regulations.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Board of Directors of the Coachella Water Authority as follows:

1. All of the above recitals are true;
2. The City hereby declares that because drought conditions continue to prevail in the State of California, and consistent with SWRCB Resolution No. 2022-0018, Emergency Regulation to Reduce Water Demand and Improve Water Conservation, the City is required to declare a Level 2 water shortage and implement all level 2 demand reduction actions set forth in the City's Plan;
3. The City hereby implements all level 2 demand reduction actions of its Plan as outlined in the Demand Reduction Actions set forth in Table 4 of the Plan, to take effect immediately;
4. Stage II prohibits outdoor water use during daylight hours for spray irrigation except for leak checks; encourages use of non-potable water for construction, if available; discourages overseeding; expands the City's public information campaign; increases water waste patrols; reduces hydrant and dead-end line flushing and prohibits restaurants to serve water except upon request; and

**PASSED, APPROVED and ADOPTED** this 14<sup>th</sup> day of September 2022.

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Steven A. Hernandez  
President

**ATTEST:**

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Angela M. Zepeda  
Secretary

**APPROVED AS TO FORM:**

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Carlos Campos  
General Counsel

STATE OF CALIFORNIA     )  
COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE    ) ss.  
CITY OF COACHELLA        )

**I HEREBY CERTIFY** that the foregoing Resolution No. WA-2022-05 was duly adopted by the Board of Directors of the Coachella Water Authority at a regular meeting thereof, held on the 14<sup>th</sup> day of September 2022, by the following vote of the Authority:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

ABSTAIN:

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Andrea J. Carranza, MMC  
Deputy Secretary, Coachella Water Authority