City of Grass Valley
City Council
Agenda Action Sheet

Title: Local Emergency Proclamation (Drought Conditions)

CEQA: Not a Project.

Recommendation: Drought Conditions proclamation declaring a Local State of Emergency

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Council Meeting Date: 4/11/2023   **Date Prepared:** 4/6/2023

Agenda: Consent

Background Information: On May 10, 2021, Governor Newsom modified a State of Emergency Proclamation that declared that a State of Emergency to exist in California due to severe drought conditions to include 41 counties, including Nevada County. The Proclamation directed state agencies to partner with local water suppliers to promote conservation through the Save Our Water campaign, a critical resource used by Californians during the 2012-2016 drought. Some municipalities have already adopted mandatory local water-saving requirements, and many more have called for voluntary water use reductions.

Nevada Irrigation District (NID) declared a drought emergency throughout the District's service area on April 28, 2021, which includes portions of the City of Grass Valley, and requested that customers conserve 10 percent of their normal water usage. Both NID and Nevada City have now mandated at least 20% conservation requirements.

On June 22, 2021, City Council approved Resolutions No. 2021-41 declaring a local emergency due to drought conditions and No.2021-42 mandating water conservation. All treated Water Customers are required to reduce water use by 20%.

Council Goals/Objectives: This resolution executes portions of work tasks towards achieving/maintaining Strategic Plan – Water and Wastewater Systems and Underground Infrastructure. The City of Grass Valley is devoted to providing a safe Place to Live, Work and Play.

Fiscal Impact: The Fiscal Impact to the Water Fund should be minor, but if the drought continues for several years the impact could be more significant.

Funds Available: N/A   **Account #:** N/A

Reviewed by: __ City Manager