

**RESOLUTION 15-38
OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
OF THE HELIX WATER DISTRICT ADOPTING
THE EMERGENCY DROUGHT ACTION PLAN**

WHEREAS, Governor Jerry Brown issued the fourth in a series of executive orders detailing actions necessary to address California's severe and ongoing drought, including a mandate to reduce potable urban water use by 25 percent statewide; and

WHEREAS, on May 5, 2015, California's State Water Resources Control Board adopted emergency statewide regulations to reduce outdoor water use; and

WHEREAS, under said regulations, Helix Water District is required to reduce water use by 20 percent from June 2015 through February 2016 when compared to the same months in 2013; and

WHEREAS, the San Diego County Water Authority voted May 14, 2015, to require member agencies to adopt a resolution limiting outdoor irrigation to no more than two days per week; and

WHEREAS, the San Diego County Water Authority declared a drought Alert calling for mandatory water conservation measures in response to the state's emergency drought regulations, on July 24, 2014; and

WHEREAS, on August 6, 2014 the Helix Water District responded by adopting Resolution 14-31 declaring a Level 2 Drought Alert effective August 16, 2014; and

WHEREAS, the Helix Water District Board of Directors authorizes staff to proceed with the increased public education and outreach plan, effective immediately; and

WHEREAS, the board authorizes limiting landscape irrigation with potable water to no more than two days per week with variances available to areas with significant public benefits requiring enhanced irrigation schedules such as public parks and schools; effective June 1, 2015, to be re-evaluated in February 2016, with all other Level 2 restrictions remaining in effect; and

WHEREAS, the board authorizes expanding the schedule of administrative fines and appeal process outlined in the drought response policy within the district's policies and procedures manual, Section 4.9, to apply to the two day per week limit on irrigation with potable water, in addition to all other Level 2 restrictions; and

WHEREAS, the board authorizes assessing a temporary 10 percent penalty on domestic class water use falling within tier 3 effective with bills beginning on July 29, 2015, to be re-evaluated January 2016; and

WHEREAS, the board authorizes any appeals of the temporary 10 percent drought penalty to be handled under the same guidelines as outlined in the drought response policy, Section 4.9 of the policies and procedures manual.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the board of directors of the Helix Water District that the board does hereby adopt the emergency drought action plan.

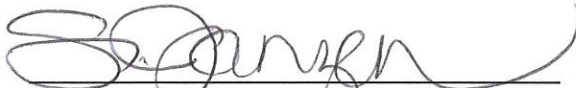
PASSED, ADOPTED, AND APPROVED this 20th day of May 2015, by the following vote:

Ayes: Directors Verbeke, Muse, Hedberg and Linden

Noes: Director Scalzitti

Absent: None

Attest:


Sandra L. Janzen, Board Secretary


DeAna R. Verbeke, Board President

