

RESOLUTION NO. _____

**RESOLUTION BY THE YOLO COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS DECLARING A
LEVEL 2 DROUGHT RESPONSE WITHIN THE EL MACERO AND WILLOWBANK
COUNTY SERVICE AREAS**

WHEREAS, on May 10, 2021, the Governor of the State of California proclaimed a state of emergency in 41 counties in the State, including Yolo County, due to current drought conditions in the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta Watershed; and

WHEREAS, the Governor’s proclamation also noted that extreme drought conditions through much of the State present urgent challenges, including the risk of water shortages in communities, greatly increased wildfire activity, diminished water for agricultural production, threat of saltwater contamination of large fresh water supplies conveyed through the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta, and additional water scarcity if drought conditions continue into next year; and

WHEREAS, the Governor issued a subsequent emergency declaration on July 8, 2021, expanding the drought emergency to 50 of the State’s 58 counties and issued Executive Order N-10-21, which calls upon all Californians to voluntarily reduce their water usage by 15 percent from their 2020 levels; and

WHEREAS, on July 27, 2021, the Yolo County Board of Supervisors adopted Resolution No. 21-98 proclaiming a drought emergency in Yolo County because of the extreme peril to the safety of persons and property within the territorial limits of Yolo County caused by the current drought; and

WHEREAS, on September 14, 2021, the Board of Supervisors adopted Ordinance No. 1540 pursuant to Water Code section 375, establishing a drought conservation program that includes the Wild Wings CSA and authorizes the Board of Supervisors to declare a drought response level; and

WHEREAS, due to the ongoing drought conditions, the State Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB) has also moved to further reduce “wasteful and unreasonable water uses” as defined by the State during the drought, by enacting emergency regulations with the adoption of SWRCB Resolution No. 2022-0002 on January 4, 2022 to implement supplemental water conservation measures; and

WHEREAS, on March 28, 2022, Governor Newsom issued Executive Order N-7-22 emphasizing the ongoing drought and calling for greater conservation efforts due to the record-breaking dry period in January and February 2022 and the absence of significant rains in March; and

WHEREAS, on May 24, 2022, the SWRCB adopted emergency regulations requiring urban water suppliers to implement Level 2 of their respective water shortage contingency plans and further banned use of potable water to irrigate non-functional turf at commercial, industrial, and institutional sites; and

WHEREAS, on May 24, 2022, the City of Davis implemented a demand reduction of water use under Stage 2 water supply conditions from the City’s adopted Water Shortage Contingency Plan; and

WHEREAS, the El Macero and Willowbank communities receive water from the City of Davis under agreements 77-90 and 99-142, which require the County to cooperate with the City’s water conservation efforts.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AND PROCLAIMED by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Yolo that:

1. The foregoing Recitals are true and correct and are hereby incorporated into this Resolution as though fully set forth herein.
2. The Board of Supervisors hereby declares a **Level 2** Drought Response in the El Macero and Willowbank CSAs pursuant to Yolo County Code Section 6-8.1103 and agreements with the City of Davis (77-90 and 99-142) to achieve a 20% reduction in water use. The Level 2 Drought Response includes the following mandatory water conservation measures:
 - a. No watering of outdoor landscapes in a manner that causes more than incidental runoff such as minimal overspray from sprinklers that escapes the area of intended use.
 - b. No landscape watering between 9:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. except with a hand-held container or hose with a shut-off nozzle, or for very short periods when adjusting a sprinkler system. Low volume irrigation systems (such as drip irrigation, soaker hoses and micro-irrigation) are exempt from this restriction.
 - c. No irrigation of turf and/or ornamental landscapes during and within 48 hours after measurable rainfall of ¼ inch or more.
 - d. Water a maximum of 12 minutes per station.
 - e. Limit landscape irrigation to no more than three assigned days per week:
 - Odd numbered addresses: Tuesday, Thursday, and Saturday
 - Even numbered addresses: Monday, Wednesday, Friday
 - f. Stop washing vehicles except at commercial carwashes that re-circulate water, or by high pressure/low volume wash systems.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Yolo County Board of Supervisors this 26th day of July, 2022, by the following vote:

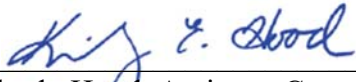
AYES:
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Angel Barajas, Chair
Yolo County Board of Supervisors

Attest:
Julie Dachtler, Senior Deputy Clerk

By _____
Deputy (Seal)

Approved as to Form:
Philip J. Pogledich, County Counsel

By 
Kimberly Hood, Assistant County Counsel