## **RESOLUTION No. 401-15**

#### **AMENDING ORDINANCE No. 332-91**

### **DROUGHT EMERGENCY**

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Directors of the Meadow Vista County Water District previously enacted Ordinance No. 332-91, DECLARING THE EXISTENCE OF A WATER SHORTAGE EMERGENCY and ADOPTING REGULATIONS, RESTRICTIONS AND PROHIBITIONS ON DELIVERY, CONSUMPTION AND USE OF WATER;

**WHEREAS,** said Board of Directors has decided to modify and amend Ordinance No. 332-91 to meet the State Water Resources Control Board's 2015 Emergency Regulations for Water Conservation;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED** by the Board of Directors of the Meadow Vista County Water District as follows:

**WHEREAS,** MEADOW VISTA COUNTY WATER DISTRICT owns, operates and maintains, a water system for providing water service to its customers; and

WHEREAS, THE District obtains water from Placer County Water Agency; and

**WHEREAS,** Placer County Water Agency has advised the District that the reservoirs that supply the Agency, and snowpack that supplies those reservoirs, are both substantially below normal; and

**WHEREAS,** Placer County Water Agency has reduced the water supply available to the District by 25% from what the District used during 2013; and

**WHEREAS**, due to the foregoing circumstances, the District finds it necessary and in the best interests of its customers, to conserve and not waste water during the current drought, so that there will be water available for human consumption, sanitation and fire protection; and

WHEREAS, in order to conserve the District's water supply for the greatest public benefit, and to deliver water in a manner that will not discriminate between customers using water for the same purpose or purposes, and to prohibit the waste of water, and to prohibit or curtail non-essential uses, the Board initiates the following regulations, restrictions, prohibitions, and fines, to take effect upon the adoption of this Resolution and to remain in effect until modified or rescinded by this board, or until in the opinion of the Board the emergency shall have ceased.

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# NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF MEADOW VISTA COUNTY WATER DISTRICT, as follows:

- 1. All customers of the Meadow Vista County Water District shall reduce water usage by 25% of their 2013 usage.
- 2. Washing down of impervious surfaces such as driveways, sidewalks, walkways, parking lots, tennis courts and all other hard-surfaces shall be prohibited unless necessary for public health and safety purposes.
- 3. The washing of motor vehicles, trailers, airplanes or boats by hose without a shut-off nozzle so as not be waste water.
- 4. Customers shall not waste water by letting it flow unrestricted for any purpose.

The District shall notify customers of waste and unreasonable use of water if there is persistent and excessive discharge of water from a customer's property and shall result in imposition of a Water Waste Charge set forth herein. If water waste continues or if the District finds that all or most of the delivered water results in discharge from the customer's property or area of use, the District may discontinue service to the property.

The District will impose the following charges which intended to recover staff costs to monitor and enforce water conservation during drought conditions and require that the customer maintain his/her facilities in a suitable condition to prevent waste of water. In addition, during extreme water shortages, a call for voluntary conservation may not bring sufficient response by a customer. Therefore, it may be necessary to institute enforceable measures, including disconnection of service.

#### WASTE WATER CHARGES/ACTIONS

| <b>Charge</b> | <u>Occurrence</u> | <u>Action</u>                                     |
|---------------|-------------------|---|
|               | first             | personal or written notification of the violation |
|               | second            | written warning and notice of correction          |
| \$75.00       | third             |   |
| \$75.00       | fourth            | service disconnection – pull meter                |

This Resolution shall be known as Resolution 401-15 of the Meadow Vista County Water District. This Resolution is intended to supersede all previous Ordinances and Resolutions on the matter previously stated. This Resolution shall be retroactively in full force and effect as of May 21, 2015.

At each meeting of the Board until the Declaration of Drought Emergency is rescinded by the State Water Resources Control Board, the Board will consider whether additional or mandatory measures must be taken to address the drought emergency. Any additional measures of

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conservation shall be specifically described and communicated to all customers through the District's website and written notification.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED** by the Board of Directors of the Meadow Vista County Water District on May 21, 2015 by the following vote:

AYES: Anthony AhMu, Mark Barbier, Derek D'Amour, Michael Montgomery

**NOES:** 

**ABSENT: Dale Rhoades** 

ATTEST: Norman A. Dean, Jr. /Secretary

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