

RESOLUTION 2020.06

**A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
OF THE EAST VALLEY WATER DISTRICT
AUTHORIZING THE TEMPORARY INCREASE PER PERSON WATER USAGE TO
CALCULATE RESIDENTIAL WATER BILLS**

WHEREAS, East Valley Water District (District) is a county water district which provides municipal water service to residents within its jurisdiction; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Ordinance 397, residential water rates are calculated based upon water consumption utilizing a tiered rate methodology and allocating a baseline water consumption of 60 gallons per person per day, for tier 1 indoor use; and

WHEREAS, on March 4, 2020, the governor of the State of California proclaimed a state of emergency to exist in California as a result of the threat of COVID – 19; and

WHEREAS, as a result of the rapid spread of COVID-19 and to preserve the public health and safety throughout the State of California, on March 19, 2020 the governor of California issued Executive Order N – 33 – 20 which, among other things, adopted the order of the State Public Health Officer, March 19, 2020 which ordered all individuals living in the State of California to stay home or at their place of residence except as needed to maintain continuity of operations of critical infrastructure (Stay Home Order); and

WHEREAS, local compliance with the Stay Home Order by District residential ratepayers has resulted in an increase in the usage of tier 1 water for indoor residential use, thereby pushing usage into tiers two and three resulting in increased water bills and penalizing residential ratepayers who are complying with the Stay Home Order; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors recognizes that the increased water costs come at a time when many residential ratepayers are experiencing a loss of income as a result of the COVID –19 state of emergency; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors wishes to assist District residential ratepayers by reducing rates to the extent possible and prudent, while the Stay Home Order is in effect.

NOW THEREFORE IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED:

1. For the purpose of calculating residential water usage rates, the per capita water usage baseline for tier 1 residential water usage shall be increased from 60 gallons per day to 75 gallons per day, per person (Adjusted Baseline).
2. The Adjusted Baseline shall remain in effect so long as the California Governor's executive order N-33-20 remains in effect, but no less than 30 days nor more than 90 days from implementation of the Adjusted Baseline.

ADOPTED this 25th day of March 2020.

Ayes: Directors: Carrillo, Coats, Goodrich, Morales, Smith
Noes: None
Absent: None
Abstain: None

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David E. Smith,
Board President

March 25, 2020

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing is a full, true and correct copy of Resolution 2020.06 adopted by the Board of Directors of East Valley Water District at its Regular Meeting held March 25, 2020.

ATTEST:

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "John Mura", written over a horizontal line.

John Mura,
Board Secretary