

# Burney Water District



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## RESOLUTION 2020-11

### **A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE BURNEY WATER DISTRICT DECLARING A STATE OF EMERGENCY DUE TO THE NOVEL CORONAVIRUS (COVID-19) PANDEMIC AND AUTHORIZING ACTIONS TO SUPPORT THE RESPONSE AND RECOVERY EFFORT.**

**WHEREAS**, in December 2019, an outbreak of respiratory illness due to a novel coronavirus (COVID-19) was first identified in Wuhan City, Hubei Province, China, and has spread outside of China, impacting many countries, including the United States; and

**WHEREAS**, conditions of extreme peril to the safety of persons or property have arisen within the boundaries of Shasta County as a result of the on-going spread of the novel coronavirus (COVID-19) throughout the State of California; and

**WHEREAS**, the Governor of California declared a state of emergency on March 4, 2020 due to the spread of the novel coronavirus (COVID-19); and

**WHEREAS**, on March 11, 2020, the World Health Organization declared COVID-19 a pandemic; and

**WHEREAS**, the President of the United States declared a national emergency on March 13, 2020, to address COVID-19; AND

**WHEREAS**, the County of Shasta also declared a state of emergency on March 17, 2020 due to the spread of the novel coronavirus (COVID-19); and

**WHEREAS**, the Board finds that conditions and threatened conditions of extreme peril to the safety of persons or property have arisen within the District, caused by the expanding threat of the novel COVID-19 virus, the threatened isolation and quarantines of residents, employees, businesses and public safety workers;

**WHEREAS**, COVID-19 conditions have necessitated the District to implement emergency measures to mitigate its spread including elimination of District travel, implementation of social distancing, telecommuting, and other immediate emergency response measures;

**WHEREAS**, these threatened conditions from the novel COVID-19 virus are or are likely to continue to have significant impact on the employees and operations of the District;

**WHEREAS**, the Board does hereby find the aforesaid conditions of extreme peril warrant and necessitate the proclamation of the existence of a local emergency in the District.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE BURNEY WATER DISTRICT AS FOLLOWS:**

1. Substantial evidence supports a finding that the above-described circumstances constitute the need to

declare a state of emergency for the District's service area, and, accordingly, the Board hereby declares a state of emergency.

2. The District Manager is authorized to implement changes in the working environment to minimize the spread of COVID-19 in accordance with guidelines from the federal, state and county health officials, and to support the following objectives:
  - a. To protect the health and safety of the District's employees and customers, and
  - b. To ensure the continuity of water and wastewater services to the public.
3. Additionally, the Board hereby authorizes and directs the District Manager to the following:
  - a. Single signature authorization on payables and payroll;
  - b. Avoid shutting off water service for non-payment;
  - c. Manager discretion on customer billing adjustments.

**I HEREBY CERTIFY** the foregoing resolution was passed, approved and adopted by the Board of Directors of the Burney Water District, Shasta County, California at the meeting held on the 16<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2020 by the following vote:

Ayes:

Noes:

Abstain:

Absent:

**ATTEST:** \_\_\_\_\_  
Board Secretary

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Board President