

Burney Water District



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RESOLUTION 2018-06

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE BURNEY WATER DISTRICT ADOPTING THE UPPER PIT RIVER INTERGRATED REGIONAL WATER MANAGEMENT PLAN (IRWMP)

WHEREAS, population growth and development in the State of California will continue to pressure water resources, balancing the needs of urban, agricultural, environmental and recreational water supplies will be a challenge for all involved in water management; and

WHEREAS, the Upper Pit River Regional Water Management Group's diverse group of public agencies, water providers, agriculture, business, residential water users, community, recreation, and environmental organizations and tribal interests have jointly developed this Integrated Regional Water Management Plan (IRWMP); and

WHEREAS, the IRWMP serves as a voluntary planning document that identifies a broadly supported vision, guiding principles, goals, objectives and projects to enhance the beneficial uses of water for the Upper Pit River region; and

WHEREAS, this collaborative planning effort is intended to formulate water management strategies for the region and prioritize projects that address watersheds and regional issues, coordinate with other IRWMPs, address local, state and federal plans; priorities, achieve multiple benefits, encompass more than one watershed, and meet short- and long-term water resource needs; and

WHEREAS, Upper Pit River Regional Water Management Group members are formulating a cooperative governance structure necessary to implement the IRWMP that is favorable to all local governments, water suppliers, business groups, environmentalists, agriculture, recreation, and citizens; and

WHEREAS, an integrated regional approach to water management will streamline individual efforts and increase efficiencies. The Upper Pit River IRWMP will also increase partnership, collaboration and organizational capacity. Collaborative management will provide a forum for stakeholder input and support for projects that address the common goals and objectives for the Upper Pit River region.

WHEREAS, this regional planning effort will improve regional competitiveness for grant funding for projects and efforts to implement the IRWMP and achieve agency or organizational goals; and

WHEREAS, in February of 2011, the Upper Pit River Regional Water Management Group began preparation of an Integrated Regional Water Management Plan; and

WHEREAS, in April 2017, The Upper Pit River Regional Water Management Group began updating the Integrated Regional Water Management Plan to meet State of California Department of Water Resource's 2016 Integrated Regional Water Management new guidelines; and

WHEREAS, on July 3, 2018 Department of Water Resources gave formal notification the Upper Pit River IRWMP was in full compliance with the Integrated Regional Water Management Guidelines; and

WHEREAS, Burney Water District representatives have engaged in good faith negotiations with other stakeholders in the region and have briefed its Board and/or leaders; and

WHEREAS, the IRWMP will not be a legally binding document. Rather, it will be a regional compact with commitments to work together as a region to implement the plan; and

WHEREAS, the IRWMP references many plans, the entities that adopt the IRWMP don't necessarily endorse all the plans that are referenced; and

WHEREAS, the IRWMP will be a living document, reviewed and updated over time. Individual signatories can remain involved or terminate their involvement at any time.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of the Burney Water District hereby adopts the Upper Pit River Integrated Regional Water Management Plan as a voluntary document that provides broadly supported, identified goals, objectives, strategies, and projects to meet the integrated water needs of the people and the Pit River and its tributaries now and into the future.

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 15th day of November, 2018 by the following vote:

Ayes:

Noes:

Abstain:

Absent:

ATTEST: _____
Board Secretary

Board President