

**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF SIERRA
STATE OF CALIFORNIA**

ORDINANCE NO. 1074

Repealing Section 8.60.070 of the Sierra County Code pertaining to the 2015 Drought Emergency Declaration by the Governor (Executive Order B-29-15) and amending Section 8.60.020 of the Sierra County Code pertaining to Water Conservation Phases.

THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF SIERRA ORDAINS as follows:

Ordinance Section One:

Section 8.60.070 of the Sierra County Code entitled "Water Conservation" is hereby repealed in its entirety.

Ordinance Section Two:

Section 8.60.020 of the Sierra County Code entitled "Water Conservation Phases" is amended to read as follows:

Section 8.60.020 Water Conservation Phases

The water conservation policy shall consist of four (4) phases regulating the outside use of water which is defined as any use other than the use of water inside of a residence, including but not limited to irrigation of lawns and landscaping (irrigation sprinkler systems, sprinklers attached to a garden hose, flood irrigation by garden hose); sports fields; gardens; washing vehicles, decks, driveways, sidewalks, buildings, or other like surfaces; filling of pools or ponds; and similar water use. The four (4) phases of water conservation are defined as follows:

- 1) **Phase One-Voluntary:** This is a voluntary water conservation program where property owners and residents served by the Sierra Brooks Water System, during all months of the year, are requested to practice and conduct outside irrigation/watering conservation. Irrigation of lawns and landscaping would be authorized on Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Saturdays of each week for odd numbered addresses and on Wednesdays, Fridays, and Sundays of each week for even numbered addresses. No outside watering would occur at any time on Mondays of any week during summer months defined as May through October of each year. There would be no watering for any dust control purposes and no irrigation of native landscaping. Outside irrigation during the

authorized and stated days (odd or even numbered addresses) would be limited to the time periods between 5:00 am through 10:00 am and 5:00 pm through 10:00 pm. No outside irrigation would be authorized during the hours before or after these stated hours of each day.

- 2) **Phase Two-Mandatory:** This is a mandatory water conservation program where property owners and residents served by the Sierra Brooks Water System, beginning May 1 of each year and terminating October 31 of each year, would be required to follow specific outside water use regulations. During this phase, all requirements outlined in "Phase One-Voluntary" section shall be mandatory for all property owners and residents that are served by the Sierra Brooks Water System. There shall be no washing of decks, driveways, sidewalks, buildings, or other like surfaces unless accomplished by use of a pressure washer that has a functioning shut-off nozzle that is automatic and water is not running on the surface of the ground. Washing of boats, vehicles, trailers, or other like equipment is permissible only when washing is accomplished through use of hoses with nozzles providing automatic or manual shut off and water is not running on the surface of the ground. No ponds or swimming pools may be filled during this phase. This phase is not intended to prevent property owners or residents from hand-watering (not through use of any sprinklers) landscape plants, plants in containers, pots, or planters and hand watering is permissible so long as the watering is being accomplished by hand and the hose contains a nozzle providing automatic or manual shut off and irrigation or watering is not being conducted by flood irrigation. This phase is not intended to restrict watering of vegetable gardens so long as such watering is not accomplished by use of sprinklers or flood irrigation and there is no waste of water occurring.
- 3) **Phase Three-Declaration of Drought:** If conditions of drought are identified by official order or proclamation by the Governor or State Water Resources Control Board, the General Manager is authorized to issue notification to property owners and residents of the Sierra Brooks Water System that additional watering restrictions will be implemented and enforced. "Phase Two Mandatory" restrictions will be enforced and additional restrictions may be imposed that implement further prohibitions for outside use of water, including days and times of day. The General Manager will request ratification of the additional regulations at the next regular meeting, or at any special meeting, called by the Board of Supervisors.
- 4) **Phase Four-Emergency:** This is water conservation where it is determined by the General Manager that a critical water shortage exists or some other bona fide emergency condition exists that requires immediate and effective water conservation to maintain the maximum water levels necessary for public health and safety. During this phase, all phase one and phase two regulations will be in effect and the General Manager is authorized to post notices and implement and enforce additional outside water use restrictions, including prohibition on any outside water use during the term of the emergency condition. The General Manager will request ratification of the additional

regulations at the next regular meeting, or any special meeting, called by the Board of Supervisors.

Ordinance Section Three:

This ordinance shall be an urgency ordinance effective upon adoption. Before the expiration of fifteen (15) days after passage of the ordinance, it shall be published once, with the names of the members of the Board of Supervisors voting for and against this ordinance, in the Mountain Messenger, a newspaper of general circulation published in the County of Sierra, State of California.

Introduced and passed and adopted at a regular meeting of the Board of Supervisors held on the 6th day of September 2016, by the following vote, to wit:

AYES:Supervisors Huebner, Roen, Beard, Schlefstein, Adams

NOES:None

ABSTAIN:None

ABSENT: None

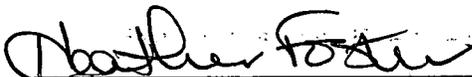
COUNTY OF SIERRA



Lee Adams, Chairman
Board of Supervisors

ATTEST:

APPROVED AS TO FORM:



Heather Foster
Clerk of the Board



David Prentice
County Counsel