

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE WHEELER CREST
COMMUNITY DISTRICT REVISING ITS WATER CONNECTION FEES,
ESTABLISHING FEES FOR MOVING A PARCEL INTO THE ZONE
OF BENEFIT AND UPDATING IT PRICING POLICIES

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors of the Wheeler Crest Community Services District ("District") is organized and operated pursuant to California Government Code Section 61000, et al; and

WHEREAS, the District is authorized to fix and collect charges for the provision of services and facilities including water services pursuant to Government Code Sections 61115 and 61120; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to California Government Code section 66013 and 66016, the District is authorized to impose water connection fees and capacity charges to recover the District's costs of the physical facilities necessary to make a water connection, including but not limited to, meters, meter boxes, and pipelines from the structure or project to a water distribution line; and

WHEREAS, the District provides certain water services to those District parcels that are within the "zone of benefit" in both the Hilltop Water System (HWS) and the Lower Swall Meadows Water System (LSMWS); and

WHEREAS, the District has an established one-time Membership Fee to move a parcel into the "zone of benefit" in LSMWS but not HWS; and

WHEREAS, for those District parcels within the "zone of benefit" there is a two tier annual pricing structure for both HWS and LSMWS which distinguishes between unconnected service laterals and active service laterals, the latter for which the annual fee is higher; and

WHEREAS, the District has an established a one-time Physical Connection hook-up Fee to move a parcel from an unconnected service lateral to an active service lateral in both HWS and LSMWS; and

WHEREAS, in order to bring equity between existing customers and new customers connecting or expanding their connection to the District's utility systems in both HWS and LSMWS, the District wishes to revise its pricing policy with regard to its one-time membership fee for moving a parcel into the "zone of benefit" in order to receive water services as well as the physical Connection hook-up Fee for moving a parcel from an unconnected service lateral to an active service lateral.; and

WHEREAS, the revenues derived from the proposed revisions to the Physical Connection and Hook-Up Fees will not exceed the funds required to provide the services and shall be used exclusively for projects related to the expansion of the system; and

NOW, THEREFORE, it is RESOLVED by the Board of Directors of the Wheeler Crest Community Services District as follows:

SECTION 1. For the HWS, the one-time **Membership Fee** to join the "zone of benefit" will be \$16,000. This fee is based upon the demand for higher water production due to an increase in the number of households serviced by the system. The most recent well cost \$130,000 (one-

hundred-thirty-thousand dollars) and was able to produce twenty-five (25) gallons per minute (gpm). We are using this cost and capacity to predict future expenditures and well production in the Hilltop District. Based on the national average of three (3) gpm peak usage per household, a new well could support eight (8) additional households. Since the well costs \$130,000, the cost would be shared by the eight additional households at \$16,000 (sixteen thousand dollars) per lateral / household. This fee does not cover any costs required of the infrastructure to adequately supply water to the requested parcel(s) or to satisfy all county codes and regulations. These and any other costs that may be incurred are the responsibility of the parcel owner making the request.

SECTION 2. For the LSMWS, the one-time **Membership Fee** to join the "zone of benefit" will be \$16,000. This fee is based upon the demand for higher water production due to an increase in the number of households serviced by the system. The most recent well cost \$207,000 (two-hundred seven thousand dollars) and was able to produce forty (40) gallons per minute (gpm). We are using this cost and capacity to predict future expenditures and well production in the Pinon / Rimrock District. Based on the national average of 3 (three) gpm peak usage per household, a new well could support thirteen (13) additional households. Since the well cost \$207,000, the cost would be shared by the thirteen additional households at \$16,000 (sixteen thousand dollars) per lateral / household. This fee does not cover any costs required of the infrastructure to adequately supply water to the requested parcel(s) or to satisfy all county codes and regulations. These and any other costs that may be incurred are the responsibility of the parcel owner making the request.

SECTION 3. There will be a one-time **Physical Connection Fee** of \$1,500 (fifteen hundred dollars) to change from an unconnected service lateral to an active service lateral. This fee applies to both the HWS and the LSMWS. For most parcels, a service lateral and a shut off valve already exists and is usually located at the street side of the property line. If a service lateral does not exist, the location and the type of shut-off valve used must be approved by the District. The purchase and installation of all equipment is the responsibility of the owner.

SECTION 4. If the County of Mono determines or has determined that a backflow device is required to prevent cross contamination, the parcel owner will be responsible for the annual maintenance and certification of said backflow devices as required by the State of California. The owner will be notified of the required annual expectation and that the owner is responsible for having the inspection conducted. If the owner fails to notify the District and supply proof of compliance within 90 (ninety) days, the District will be required to notify the State of California on the non-compliance.

SECTION 5. Water requests for customers outside of the "zone of benefit" will be charged at a rate of \$10.00 (ten dollars) per 1000 (one-thousand) gallons used. The District will provide a hydrant water meter to measure usage. If the water meter or hydrant is damaged during usage, it will be the responsibility of the customer to repair / replace all broken components and that all replacement components must be approved by the District. Water usage limits may be imposed by the District depending upon the available flow and water availability at the time the service is arranged. Water usage by a contractor on a job for a parcel that is already within the "zone of benefit" but is an inactive service lateral will not be charged.

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED this _____ day of _____, 2016, by the following vote:

AYES: Glen Iwye, Brent Miller, Ray Tompauskas.

NOES: —

ABSTENTIONS: Mike Day, Pam Connors

ABSENT:

Approved: Glen Iwye President of the Board

Attest: Brent Miller ~~Treasurer~~ Secretary of the Board

Attest: [Signature] ~~MEMBER~~ Secretary of the Board