## **RESOLUTION NO. 03-2016**

## RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE CABAZON WATER DISTRICT FIXING WATER STANDBY ASSESSMENTS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2016-2017

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 31032.1 of the California Water Code, the Board of Directors of the Cabazon Water District (hereinafter "District") is authorized to annually fix water standby or water availability assessments not to exceed \$30.00 per acre per year for each acre of land, or \$30.00 per year for each parcel of land equal to or less than one acre, to which water is made available for any purpose by the District, whether the water is actually used or not; and

WHEREAS, it is hereby found that the very existence of publicly available water through a public agency is of benefit to the lands proposed to be assessed; and

WHEREAS, the proposed water standby assessments are hereby dedicated to lawful purposes of the District, and will be available to pay the District's long-term indebtedness and for other lawful purposes; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Sections 31032.1 and 31032.2 the Board of Directors may elect to have the standby or availability assessments collected on the tax rolls after a written report of proposed water standby assessments for fiscal year 2016-2017 is prepared; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors elects to have the standby and availability assessments collected on the tax rolls, and, therefore, finds it necessary that a written report of the proposed water standby assessments for the 2016-2017 fiscal year be prepared, and that certain criteria be established to assist the General Manager in the preparation of said written report as it pertains to those parcels of property located within the District's boundaries; and

WHEREAS, the proposed standby and availability assessments proposed for the 2016-2017 Fiscal Year are exempt from Proposition 218 because they do not exceed the rates levied in the 1996-1997 Fiscal Year and the assessments generate revenue for both 1) the operation and maintenance of a water system and 2) the payment of bonded indebtedness,

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Directors of the Cabazon County Water District as follows:

That the General Manager of this District is hereby ordered to prepare a written report of proposed water standby assessments for fiscal year 2016-2017, pursuant to Sections 31032.1 through 31032.6 of the California Water Code, and that the following criteria be used in the preparation of said report:

Assessments are made without regard to property valuation, and each parcel is hereby classified into one of three zones, with the standby or availability assessment rate for each zone set as follows:

**ZONE A**: The area within the base water service pressure zone as shown by map on file at the District office.

Each parcel that has an active metered service connection shall be assessed a water availability assessment of \$10.00 per parcel for each parcel equal to or less than one acre or \$10.00 per acre for which there is an active metered service capacity unit (for assessment purposes, one active metered service capacity unit is equivalent to one acre; see Exhibit "A", attached) plus \$30.00 per acre or portion thereof for each acre or portion thereof in excess of the acreage represented by active metered service capacity units.

Each parcel that does not have an active metered service connection shall be assessed a water standby assessment of \$30.00 per parcel for each parcel equal to or less than one acre or \$30.00 per acre or portion thereof for each parcel greater than one acre.

**ZONE B:** The area within other water service pressure zones and three Property Types as shown by map on file at District Office. The standby assessment rate for Zone B and each Property Type therein is hereby set as follows:

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PROPERTY TYPE 1: Any parcel that is not served by the District through an active meter and has slopes of up to 15% will be assessed \$15.00 per acre or portion thereof within Zone B for that portion of the parcel with described slopes.

PROPERTY TYPE 2: Any parcel that is not served by the District through an active meter and has slopes of between 15% and 25% will be assessed \$10.00 per acre or portion thereof within Zone B for that portion of the parcel with described slopes.

PROPERTY TYPE 3: Any parcel that is not served by the District through an active meter and has slopes greater than 25% will be assessed \$5.00 per acre or portion thereof within Zone B for that portion of the parcel with described slopes.

**ZONE C:** Each parcel within Riverside County Surface Mining Permit No. 162 shall be assessed \$30.00 per acre or portion thereof in accordance with the terms of an Agreement between the District and the holder(s) of Surface Mining Permit No. 162.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that it is hereby found that the adoption of this Resolution and the associated collection of water standby assessment monies are exempt from environmental analysis pursuant to Public Resources Code, Section 21080(b)(8).

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Directors of the Cabazon Water District, Riverside County, State of California, this 2<sup>ND</sup> day of August 2016.

MOTION: ISRAEL

SECOND: WARGO

AYE: ISRAEL, WARGO, LYNK

ARSENT: DAVIS

SIGNED:

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President of the Board
of Directors Cabazon

Water District

ATTEST:

Secretary to the Board of Directors Cabazon Water

District

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