RESOLUTION NO. 2026-01

RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE CABAZON WATER DISTRICT FIXING WATER STANDBY ASSESSMENTS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2026-2027

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 to be assessed; and

WHEREAS, the 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 water standby assessments for fiscal year 2026-2027 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 water standby assessments for the 2026-2027 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 standby and availability assessments for the 2026-2027 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; and

WHEREAS, the District previously caused a report to be prepared and filed with the secretary of the District, describing each parcel of real property and the amount of the assessment for each parcel for the 2026-2027 fiscal year (the "Report"), which report has been on file with the secretary as required under Water Code section 31032.1, and by this reference is incorporated herein; and

WHEREAS, upon filing the Report, the District provided notice as required under Water Code section 31032.2, notifying all interested persons that said Report has been filed, and of the time and place for a public hearing on said Report and the placement of the standby and availability assessments for collection on the property tax roll by the County; and

WHEREAS, at the public hearing called for such purpose, the Board of Directors heard and considered all protests and objections to collection of the standby and availability assessments on the tax roll; and

WHEREAS, at this time, the Board of Directors wishes to overrule all objections, adopt the Report as drafted, subject to any appropriate adjustments that may be necessary as a result of the equalization of the assessment roll subsequent to the date hereof, as authorized under Water Code section 31032.3. **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Board of Directors of the Cabazon County Water District as follows:

1. The Recitals set forth above are true and correct, and by this reference incorporated herein.

2. Having heard and considered all protests and objections filed or made prior to the end of the public hearing, the Board of Directors hereby overrules all such protests or objections adopts the Report, which was prepared with the following criteria:

> 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:

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.

3. The General Manager, or his or her designee, is hereby authorized to make any appropriate adjustments to the Report that may be necessary as a result of the equalization of the assessment roll subsequent to this public hearing. The General Manager, or his or her designee, is hereby directed to file the Report, as adjusted, with the auditor for the County of Riverside on or prior to the 10th day of August, 2023. The standby and availability assessments shall be collected on the tax bills for the parcels identified in the Report and shall be collected at the same time and in the same manner and by the same persons as, together with and not separately from, general taxes, and shall be delinquent at the same time and thereafter be subject to the same delinquency penalties to be levied on and collected from the owners of said parcels

4. The Board of Directors hereby finds that the adoption of this Resolution and the associated collection of water standby assessment monies on the tax roll 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 14th day of July 2026.

MOTION: CARLIN

SECOND: PEREZ

AYES: KEITH, PEREZ, CARLIN, BROCK, TINCHER

NOES: —

ABSTAIN: —

ABSENT: —

SIGNED:

Terry Tincher
President of the Board
of Directors
Cabazon Water District

ATTEST:

Evelyn Aguilar
Secretary to the Board of
Directors Cabazon Water
District

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