

SAN LORENZO VALLEY WATER DISTRICT

RESOLUTION NO. 2 (08-09)

SUBJECT: CLIMATE CHANGE AND WATER RESOURCE MANAGEMENT:

WHEREAS, the San Lorenzo Valley Water District provides watershed stewardship and management of water resources for the San Lorenzo Valley community; and

WHEREAS, the District's mission is vital for the quality of life and the economy of the San Lorenzo Valley; and

WHEREAS, the District's mission is to provide its customers and all future generations with reliable, safe and high quality water at an equitable price;

WHEREAS, climate change is a reality and will result in increased temperature, altered hydrology and rainfall patterns, all of which will affect water supply operations, local water supplies, flood protection and environmental stewardship efforts; and

WHEREAS, the District has established a solid foundation for implementing mitigation and adaptation to climate change membership in the California Climate Action Registry, adoption of environmental stewardship policies, efficient and renewable energy management practices, integrated water resource planning, and water efficiency programs; and

WHEREAS, the District's mission is to manage and protect the environmental health of the aquifers and watersheds; and

WHEREAS, the District is working with local, regional, and state government agencies, and regional groups to understand how climate change will affect our region and develop robust individual and regional adaptation strategies that will protect and benefit our community's health, safety and quality of life, protect natural resources, and reduce the District's climate change footprint; and

WHEREAS, the District is committed to implementing the goal of the California Global Warming Solutions Act (AB 32) to reduce greenhouse gas emissions to 1990 levels by the year 2020; and to further reduce greenhouse gas emissions to 80 percent below 1990 levels by the year 2050;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Directors of the San Lorenzo Valley Water District as follows:

1. The District will continue to exercise leadership in initiatives, programs and policies that address climate change while furthering the District's mission;

2. The District will apply understanding of climate change and climate change impacts as appropriate in water supply plans, asset management and infrastructure plans, California Environmental Quality Act assessments and environmental impact reports, energy management plans, business plans, and strategic plans; and
3. The District will strive to minimize its greenhouse gas emissions, work with the community to reduce its greenhouse gas emissions related to utilization and management of water resources and enhance community understanding of climate change and how it challenges the District's mission.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Directors of the San Lorenzo Valley Water District, County of Santa Cruz, State of California, on the 18th day of September 2008, by the following vote of the members thereof:

AYES: McPherson, Nelson, Prather, Rapoza, Vierra
NOES: None
ABSTAIN: None
ABSENT: None

Brandon Barchi, District Secretary
San Lorenzo Valley Water District