

RESOLUTION NO. ____-2022

**RESOLUTION OF THE FORT BRAGG CITY COUNCIL
CONFIRMING CITY MANAGER'S DECLARATION OF A STAGE 2 WATER
WARNING AND IMPLEMENTING MANDATORY STAGE 2 WATER
CONSERVATION MEASURES**

WHEREAS, the City of Fort Bragg (City) has experienced significantly less rainfall over the past several years, placing the City in an extreme drought condition; and

WHEREAS, the City was fortunate to have received late rains this past spring extending the need to require more restrictive water conservation restrictions; and

WHEREAS, the water flows from the City's three raw water sources continue on a downward trend; and

WHEREAS, as of September 6, 2022, the Noyo River's current flow is 2.77 cubic feet per second or 1.8 million gallons per day and has dropped 0.5 cubic feet per second over the past thirty days; and

WHEREAS, as of September 2022, total current stream flow at Waterfall Gulch is 72 gallons per minute; and

WHEREAS, as of September 2022, total current stream flow at Newman Gulch is 84 gallons per minute; and

WHEREAS, the total source water available is approximately 2.0 million gallons per day; and

WHEREAS, both Newman and Waterfall flows continue to be impacted by the multiyear drought with much lower flows than previous years; and

WHEREAS, the weather forecasts continue to show no significant rainfall in the area in the coming weeks; and

WHEREAS, based on all the evidence presented, the City Council finds as follows:

1. Fort Bragg Municipal Code Section 14.06.020 sets forth the five water conservation stages for the City of Fort Bragg and provides the City Manager with the authority to determine the appropriate water conservation stage and mandatory water restrictions.
2. The City Manager has considered the low flows in the City's three surface water sources; the short-term and long-term weather forecasts with no measurable rainfall; the lack of other available water sources; drought conditions in the surrounding counties and states; and the need to ensure continued reduction of seasonal water demand by 10-20%.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of Fort Bragg does hereby declare a Stage 2 Water Warning pursuant to Chapter 14.06 of the Fort Bragg Municipal Code and requires implementation of Stage 2 Water Conservation Measures, as set forth in Fort Bragg Municipal Code section 14.06.050 B.

The above and foregoing Resolution was introduced by Councilmember _____, seconded by Councilmember _____, and passed and adopted at a regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Fort Bragg held on the 12th day of September, 2022, by the following vote:

AYES:
NOES:
ABSENT:
ABSTAIN:
RECUSED:

BERNIE NORVELL
Mayor

ATTEST:

June Lemos, MMC
City Clerk