# Paradise Irrigation District Water Shortage Contingency Plan

June 2021



Prepared by Water Works Engineers, LLC Colleen Boak, PE Esmeralda Diego

Checked by: Tim Durbin, PE Cindy Bertsch, PE





#### **Table of Contents**

Na	iter Shoi	tage Contingency Plan	1
	1.1	Water Supply Reliability Analysis	
	1.1.1	Constraints on Water Supply	1
		Drought Risk Assessment	
	1.1.3	Seismic Risk Analysis	3
1	1.2	Legal Authorities	3
1	1.3	Standard Water Shortage Levels	4
1	1.4	Annual Water Supply and Demand Assessment Procedures	4
1	1.5	Supply Augmentation and Operational Changes	9
1	1.6	Compliance and Enforcement	9
1	1.7	Financial Consequences	9
1	1.8	Plan Adoption, Submittal, and Availability	

# **Tables**

WSCP Table 1 Near-Term Five-Year Drought Risk Assessment	2
WSCP Table 2 Long-Term Single and Five-Year Drought Risk Assessment	
WSCP Table 3 Water Shortage Contingency Plan Levels	4
WSCP Table 4 Water Supply and Demand Assessment Procedure	5
WSCP Table 5 Demand Reduction Actions to be Implemented at Each Shortage Level	7
WSCP Table 6 Supply Augmentation During Water Shortages	9

#### **Exhibits**

Exhibit A – Butte County Local Hazard Mitigation Plan Update: Annex F Paradise Irrigation District

Exhibit B – Recent Water Conservation Programs

Exhibit C – Ordinance No. 2015-01 An Ordinance Adopting Enforcement Procedures and Fines and Penalties for Water Conservation Measures

Exhibit D – Water Shortage Contingency Plan Adoption Resolution





# **Water Shortage Contingency Plan**

Following the severe drought of 2012-2016, the State of California Legislature sought to expand the water shortage contingency analysis, which was required to be included in Urban Water Management Plans under prior law and mandated that a Water Shortage Contingency Plan (WSCP) be adopted by suppliers. The California Water Code (CWC) recognizes WSCPs as a critical tool during a drought emergency and grants that the State defer to locally adopted WSCPs, to the extent practicable.

California Water Code Section 10632.3

It is the intent of the Legislature that, upon proclamation by the Governor of a state of emergency under the California Emergency Services Act (Chapter 7 (commencing with Section 8550) of Division 1 of Title 2 of the Government Code) based on drought conditions, the board defer to implementation of locally adopted water shortage contingency plans to the extent practicable.

The WSCP is Paradise Irrigation District's operational plan in the event of a water shortage. Water shortage would occur when available water supplies are insufficient to meet normal customer water demands. Various causes can bring about a water shortage including population growth, climate change, drought, natural disasters, and other catastrophic events.

The WSCP shall address the ten following elements:

- 1. Water supply reliability analysis
- 2. Annual water shortage assessment procedures
- 3. Six standard water shortage stages
- 4. Shortage response actions
- 5. Communication protocols
- 6. Compliance and enforcement
- 7. Legal authorities
- 8. Financial consequences of WSCP implementation
- 9. Monitoring and reporting
- 10. WSCP refinement procedures

#### 1.1 Water Supply Reliability Analysis

Pursuant to 10632(a)(1) of the CWC, a near-term (5 years) and long-term (20 years) water supply reliability analysis is provided herein. The water supply reliability analysis consists of a water service reliability assessment and drought risk assessment (DRA).

#### 1.1.1 Constraints on Water Supply

PID's primary source of water is surface water from Little Butte Creek Watershed. Surface water is stored in Paradise Reservoir and Magalia Reservoir and diverted to PID's Water Treatment Plant (WTP) through the Magalia intake facility. Under normal conditions, PID's existing three water rights – two storage rights and a direct diversion right – are sufficient to meet PID's water demands. There are no legal or water quality factors that result in inconsistency of supply from Little Butte Creek Watershed for the period studied in this plan. However, variation





in seasonal rainfall in the Little Butte Creek Watershed can impact surface water supply availability. Additionally, physical constraints exist on the volume of water that can be stored in both Paradise and Magalia Reservoirs. In 1997, the Department of Water Resources Division of Safety of Dams identified seismic stability concerns on the upstream slope of Magalia Dam. Consequently, DSOD directed PID to lower the maximum water elevation of Magalia Dam to 2,200 feet above mean sea level, whereas the spillway crest elevation is 2,258 feet above mean sea level. The lower water level has reduced the maximum operating storage capacity of Magalia Reservoir from 2,574 acre-feet (AF) to 796 AF, until such time that PID can rectify the portions of the facility that are seismically unstable.

PID operates a single groundwater well located at the D Tank site facility with a maximum output estimated at 350 acre-feet per year (AF/yr). The primary purpose of the well is to augment PID's water supply during times of drought or emergency, but under normal conditions, well production is minimal, and the well is only operated for maintenance purposes. At the time of plan preparation this well is non-operational due to mechanical failure of the pump.

#### 1.1.2 Drought Risk Assessment

The near-term and long-term drought risk assessment was performed by comparing the unconstrained potable water demands to the water supply availability for a single dry year and 5 consecutive dry years. The near-term DRA for a five-year drought is provided in WSCP Table 1. The long-term single and five-year DRA is provided in WSCP Table 2. Note that groundwater supplies are not included in WSCP Table 1, as the groundwater well is not currently operational. However, after 2030 total supplies presented in WSCP Table 2 are inclusive of groundwater supplies when it can reasonably be assumed that the well would be operational. For both the near-term and long-term drought risk assessment no water shortage is projected. Consequently, no augmentation or conservation methods are incorporated into WSCP Table 1 WSCP Table 2.

WSCP Table 1 Near-Term Five-Year Drought Risk Assessment

Category	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
Total Supplies	15,223	16,465	12,182	9,239	6,071
Gross Water Use	4,287	4,205	4,122	4,040	3,957
Surplus without WSCP Action	10,936	12,260	8,060	5,199	2,114
Notes: All volumes are in AF/yr.					





WSCP Table 2 Long-Term Single and Five-Year Drought Risk Assessment

Drought Type/ Year	Category	2025	2030	2035	2040	2045
Circula	Total Supplies	6,071	6,421	6,421	6,421	6,421
Single Year	Gross Water Use	3,957	4,356	4,914	5,109	5,084
icai	Surplus absent of WSCP action	2,114	2,065	1,507	1,312	1,337
	Total Supplies	15,223	15,573	15,573	15,573	15,573
Year 1	Gross Water Use	3,957	4,356	4,914	5,109	5,084
	Surplus absent of WSCP action	11,266	11,217	10,659	10,464	10,489
	Total Supplies	16,465	16,815	16,815	16,815	16,815
Year 2	Gross Water Use	3,957	4,356	4,914	5,109	5,084
	Surplus absent of WSCP action	12,508	12,459	11,901	11,706	11,731
	Total Supplies	12,182	12,532	12,532	12,532	12,532
Year 3	Gross Water Use	3,957	4,356	4,914	5,109	5,084
	Surplus absent of WSCP action	8,225	8,176	7,618	7,423	7,448
	Total Supplies	9,239	9,589	9,589	9,589	9,589
Year 4	Gross Water Use	3,957	4,356	4,914	5,109	5,084
	Surplus absent of WSCP action	5,282	5,233	4,675	4,480	4,505
	Total Supplies	6,071	6,421	6,421	6,421	6,421
Year 5	Gross Water Use	3,957	4,356	4,914	5,109	5,084
	Surplus absent of WSCP action	2,114	2,065	1,507	1,312	1,337
NOTES: All	values are in AF/yr.					

#### 1.1.3 Seismic Risk Analysis

Seismic risk in California can pose a significant threat to facilities and infrastructure. PID participated in the preparation of the 2019 Butte County Local Hazard Mitigation Plan Update (LHMP), which addresses seismic risk of critical PID facilities. Annex F of the LHMP details the hazard mitigation planning elements specific to PID and is provided in Exhibit A.

#### 1.2 Legal Authorities

California Water Code Section 375(a), as stated below, grants PID the legal authority to adopt and enforce a water conservation program.

California Water Code Section 375(a)

Notwithstanding any other law, any public entity that supplies water at retail or wholesale for the benefit of persons within the service area or area of jurisdiction of the public entity may, by ordinance or resolution adopted by a majority of the members of the governing body after holding a public hearing upon notice and making appropriate findings of necessity for the adoption of a water conservation program, adopt and enforce a water conservation program to reduce the quantity of water used by those persons for the purpose of conserving the water supplies of the public entity.





In 2014, 2015, and 2016 PID adopted Water Conservation Programs to address existent dry conditions within PID's watershed. Copies of those resolutions are provided in Exhibit B. The Water Conservation Programs established mandatory conservation measures to be implemented at such times when measures are necessary for the preservation of public health and safety standards, as determined by majority action of the Board of Directors.

In 2015, PID passed Ordinance No. 2015-01, An Ordinance Adopting Enforcement Procedures and Fines and Penalties for Water Conservation Measures (Ord. No. 2015-01). Ord. No. 2015-01 set forth the administrative citation process for users in violation of the Water Conservation Program and all other PID policies and rules and regulations. The Water Conservation Programs and Ord. No. 2015-01 are further discussed herein.

#### 1.3 Standard Water Shortage Levels

The California Water Code Section 10632(a)(3) defines six standard water shortage levels. Standardization of water shortage levels provide a consistent regional and statewide approach to characterizing and conveying the severity of a water shortage. The previously adopted 2015 UWMP established water conservation measures for varying water shortage stages. However, those stages do not cover all requisite shortage levels as defined by the CWC. Consequently, the standard water shortage levels set forth in the CWC are used herein and shall supersede the stages of the 2015 UWMP. WSCP Table 3 lists all shortage levels and a brief description of shortage response actions.

WSCP Table 3 Water Shortage Contingency Plan Levels

Shortage Level	Percent Shortage Range	Shortage Response Actions
1	Up to 10%	PID will promote wise water use and the restriction of water waste actions. PID will dedicate resources to supporting the actions identified in WSCP Table 5 and WSCP Table 6 PID will encourage voluntary rationing by customers.
2	Up to 20%	PID will uphold all WSCP actions of shortage level 1 and in addition will impose mandatory demand reduction of up to 10%.
3	Up to 30%	PID will uphold all WSCP actions of shortage level 2 and in addition will impose mandatory demand reduction of up to 20%.
4	Up to 40%	PID will uphold all WSCP actions of shortage level 3 and in addition will impose mandatory demand reduction of up to 30%.
5	Up to 50%	PID will uphold all WSCP actions of shortage level 4 and in addition will impose mandatory demand reduction of up to 40%.
6	Greater than 50%	PID will uphold all WSCP actions of shortage level 5.

#### 1.4 Annual Water Supply and Demand Assessment Procedures

Pursuant to CWC 10632.1, all water suppliers are required to conduct an annual water supply and demand assessment on or before July 1 of each year beginning in 2022. If the supplier receives imported water from the State Water Project or the U.S. Bureau of Reclamation (USBR) they shall submit the report within 14 days of receiving final allocations or by July 1 of each year, whichever is later. The steps for conducting the Annual Water Supply and Demands Assessment are outlined in WSCP Table 4.





WSCP Table 4 Water Supply and Demand Assessment Procedure

Step	Description	Time Frame	Participants
Step 1	Compile water demand data from previous	Jan 1 - Jan 31	Utility Billing Technician
	calendar year.		Finance and Accounting Manager
Step 2	Coordinate with Town of Paradise (TOP)	Jan 15 - Jan 31	Assistant District Manager
	Planning Department for current pace of		TOP Planning Department
	development and project water demands.		District Engineer
Step 3	Compile water utility data into Water Utility	Feb 1 - Feb 14	WTP Superintendent
	Reporting Master spreadsheet.		District Engineer
Step 4	Calculate total projected unconstrained	Feb 15 - Feb 28	WTP Superintendent
	water demands for current year.		District Engineer
Step 5	Identify any constraints on facilities or	Feb 15 - Feb 28	WTP Superintendent
	infrastructure that could impact the supply		Distribution Superintendent
	of water, such as planned maintenance that		District Engineer
	would take facilities offline or known		
	damage to facilities or infrastructure.		
Step 6	Commence preparation of Annual Water	March - April	WTP Superintendent
	Shortage Assessment Report.		District Engineer
Step 7	Analyze anticipated volume of surface water	By April 1	WTP Superintendent
	supply. Subtract current year projected		District Engineer
	water demand from volume of anticipated		
	supplies to determine shortage percentage		
CL O	and volume.	D A 11.4.5	Bioloid Manager
Step 8	If a shortage is identified, managers are to	By April 15	District Manager
	hold an internal meeting to inform participants that a water shortage for the		Assistant District Manager WTP Superintendent
	current year is anticipated and the extent of		Distribution Superintendent
	that shortage. Review the WSCP and identify		District Engineer
	any concerns from the group regarding the		District Engineer
	ability to carry out the actions described in		
	the WSCP. Assign an individual or group,		
	among the participants, the responsibility of		
	resolving the concern.		
Step 9	The District Manager shall inform the Board	By April 30	District Manager
	of Directors of the water shortage		Board of Directors
	emergency condition and the "Drought		
	stage," under which the emergency falls.		
	The Board of Directors shall declare a water		
	shortage emergency condition to prevail		
	within the area served by PID.		
Step 10	PID shall coordinate with any town or	May	District Manager
	county within which it provides water supply		Assistant District Manager
	services for the possible proclamation of a		TOP – Town Manager
Stop 11	local emergency.	Dy July 1	W/TD Superintendent
Step 11	Finalize and submit Annual Water Shortage	By July 1	WTP Superintendent
	Assessment Report to DWR.		District Engineer





		I	T
Step 12	The public, interested parties, and local, regional, and state governments shall be notified of the water shortage emergency condition and of all water shortage response actions triggered by the emergency declaration. Pursuant to Government Code 6060, PID shall publish in a newspaper of general circulation the resolution adopting a declaration of water shortage emergency condition. Public notification in addition to a newspaper publication may include noticing through mass media, mailings, utility billings or by any combination thereof.	Beginning 1 business day after declaration of emergency condition and continuing for as long as the emergency condition persists as necessary	District Manager Assistant District Manager District Secretary
Step 13	The appropriate Water Shortage Response Actions for the drought stage, outlined in WSCP Table 5 and 6, will be carried out by the public and PID. PID will enforce compliance in accordance with Ord. No. 2015-01.	Duration of emergency condition	District Manager Compliance Officer
Step 14	Track customer water use at a minimum of a monthly basis. Ensure that total gross water use for that month, or more frequent tracking period, is reduced by the necessary percentage when compared to that same tracking period of the last normal supply year.	Duration of emergency condition	Utility Billing Technician Finance and Accounting Manager District Engineer WTP Superintendent
Step 15	If the needed water use reduction percentage is not met for any month, determine which additional strategies or actions would result in the needed reduction.	Upon determination of insufficient water use reduction	District Manager Assistant District Manager WTP Superintendent District Engineer Additional participants as needed
Step 16	The District Manager shall consider additional shortage response actions and whether those actions would necessitate an update of the WSCP and Water Conservation Program.	Upon determination of insufficient water use reduction	District Manager
Step 17	If it is deemed necessary that the WSCP be updated, the public shall be noticed of an update to the WSCP as described in Step 13, a draft of the updated WSCP will be made publicly available, and a public hearing held.	Upon determination of need for additional conservation measures	Public District Manager
Step 18	Upon majority action by the Board of Directors, the updated WSCP shall be adopted.	No later than the earliest Board Meeting following the Public Hearing.	Board of Directors





WSCP Table 5 Demand Reduction Actions to be Implemented at Each Shortage Level

Shortage Level	Demand Reduction Actions	Percent Reduction	Additional Explanation or Reference  As needed	Penalty, Charge, or Other Enforcement?
1	Landscape - Limit landscape irrigation to specific times	3%	No outdoor watering between noon and 6pm	Yes
1	Landscape - Other landscape restriction or prohibition	1%	No outdoor irrigation, sprinkling, or outdoor watering shall take place during or within 48 hours after a measurable rainfall.	Yes
1	Landscape - Restrict or prohibit runoff from landscape irrigation	1%	Watering in a manner that, as determined at the discretion of PID, results in excessive runoff onto hard surfaces.	Yes
1	Landscape - Other landscape restriction or prohibition	1%	No irrigation with potable water of ornamental turf will be allowed on public street medians within PID's service area.	Yes
1	Landscape - Other landscape restriction or prohibition	1%	For newly constructed structures, irrigation with potable water shall not be allowed if in a manner inconsistent with the regulations or other requirements established by the California Building Standards Commission.	Yes
1	Water Features - Restrict water use for decorative water features, such as fountains	1%	Water fountains and decorative water features must use a water recirculation system.	Yes
1	CII - Lodging establishment must offer opt out of linen service	1%		Yes
1	CII - Restaurants may only serve water upon request	1%		Yes
1	Other - Prohibit use of potable water for washing hard surfaces	1%	No washing driveways or hard surfaces. No watering overspray to hardscaped areas.	Yes





1	Other - Customers must repair leaks, breaks, and malfunctions in a timely manner	1%	Upon notification by PID, customer must repair leaks on customer side plumbing.	Yes
1	Other - Require automatic shut off hoses	1%	Vehicle washing with potable water only permissible with use of a bucket and a hose with a shut-off nozzle.	Yes
1	Offer Water Use Surveys	1%	Customers are encouraged to sign up for DropCountr to monitor water use and receive leak alerts.	No
1	Expand Public Information Campaign	1-10%	PID shall communicate to customers severity of water shortage through newspaper publication, mass media, mailings, utility billings or any combination thereof.	No
1	Other	0-10%	Voluntary rationing by customers	Yes
1	Reduce System Water Loss	1-25%	PID operations will continue to dedicate resources to repair of leaks caused by the Camp Fire and regularly occurring leaks.	No
1	Decrease Line Flushing	1%	PID operations will restrict line flushing to occur only as needed to promote water quality	No
2	Other	10-20%	Mandatory Rationing	Yes
3	Other	20-30%	Mandatory Rationing	Yes
4	Other	30-40%	Mandatory Rationing	Yes
5 & 6	Other	40-50%	Mandatory Rationing	Yes





# 1.5 Supply Augmentation and Operational Changes

Under normal operational conditions PID's groundwater strategy is to pump water from the well located at D Tank site only as needed for maintenance. In the event of a water shortage, if not already repaired, PID shall prioritize dedicating the needed resources to ensuring the operability of the groundwater well. The well may be operated at its maximum projected yield to produce 350 AF/yr.

PID also has an intertie agreement with Del Oro Water Company to provide mutual assistance during water shortage emergencies up to 1,000 AF.

WSCP Table 6 Supply Augmentation During Water Shortages

Standard Shortage Level	Supply Augmentation Methods by Water Supplier	Volume	Additional Explanation			
1-6	Stored Emergency Supply	Up to 350	Groundwater pumped			
1-6	Transfers	Up to 1,000	Purchased water through Del Oro intertie			
NOTES: DID may choose to implement those augmentation actions during any chartere level						

NOTES: PID may choose to implement these augmentation actions during any shortage level. Volume of augmentation methods are in AF/yr.

PID would need to adjust its operations to support a drought stage that would prompt increased reliance on well water. Tasks for operations may include more frequent maintenance of well pumps and chemical injection pumps, monitoring of ground water level, and filter backwashing.

#### 1.6 Compliance and Enforcement

As stated in Section 1.2, Ord. No. 2015-01 grants PID the authority to enforce compliance with PID policies and rules and regulations related to water conservation. A complete copy of Ord. No. 2015-01 is provided as Exhibit C. The following components are detailed in the ordinance:

- Applicability
- Definitions
- Administrative Citation
- Administrative Citation Fines
- Payment of the Fine(s)
- Hearing Request
- Hearing Procedure
- Right to Judicial Review
- Recovery of Administrative Citations Fines and Costs

#### **1.7** Financial Consequences

During times of a water shortage PID is expected to see revenue reduction as a result of demand reduction actions lowering the total gross water use. Additionally, enforcement of demand reduction actions, which could include investigating water leaks or water waste, follow ups to check for compliance, and administering citations would incur additional expenses that would not be present during non-shortage conditions.





By current policy, PID charges a service charge and a consumption charge to customers. In previous years consumption revenue accounted for approximately 25% of total revenue. Revenue loss for each drought stage is anticipated to be approximately equal to the product of the 25% consumption revenue and the demand reduction percentage for each respective shortage level.

Enforcement expenses will vary based on customer compliance and drought stage. For instance, at the onset of demand reduction action implementation, resources needed for enforcement may be high as customers adjust to altering their use or compliance from customers could vary seasonally with customers finding it more difficult to comply during warmer months.

PID plans to mitigate the financial consequences associated with water shortage response actions primarily through cash reserves. PID's cash reserves include an Operating Fund, Water Rate Stabilization Fund, Emergency Fund, and Drought Management Fund. All of these are potentially available to mitigate financial consequences of a water shortage emergency declaration.

#### 1.8 Plan Adoption, Submittal, and Availability

The Water Shortage Contingency Plan, which is included as an appendix in the 2020 Urban Water Management Plan (UWMP), was introduced and discussed with the public in the same meeting as the public hearing for the UWMP and the adoption hearing of both the WSCP and UWMP. However, public hearings and adoption hearings for both plans were each a separate agenda item. The WSCP is intended to be a stand-alone document and as such has been adopted by PID independently of the UWMP. Note that while the water shortage contingency analysis was titled Water Shortage Contingency Plan in the 2015 UWMP, it was only an element of the UWMP and was not adopted independent of the 2015 UWMP. This Water Shortage Contingency Plan may be updated as needed between the required UWMP updates, which occur every five years, and no WSCP update shall necessitate an update of the UWMP.

PID has encouraged community and public interest involvement in the WSCP using public meetings and web-based communication. A public meeting will be held on June 21, 2021 and will provide an opportunity for the public to ask questions and raise concerns regarding the WSCP. Prior to the public hearing, the draft WSCP was made available for public inspection on PID's website and in PID's office.

The WSCP was adopted by the Board of Directors for adoption on June 21, 2021 following the public hearing. A copy of the adoption resolution is provided in Exhibit D. The WSCP was electronically submitted to DWR within 30 days of adoption and by July 1, 2021. A CD or hardcopy of the adopted WSCP will also be submitted to the California State Library. No later than 30 days after submittal to DWR, copies of the WSCP will be available for public review at PID's office. An electronic copy of this plan will also be available for review and download on PID's website: https://pidwater.com/uwmp.





# Exhibit A – Butte County Local Hazard Mitigation Plan Update: Annex F Paradise Irrigation District





# Annex F Paradise Irrigation District

# F.1 Introduction

This Annex details the hazard mitigation planning elements specific to Paradise Irrigation District (PID or District), a previously participating jurisdiction to the 2014 Butte County Local Hazard Mitigation Plan (LHMP) Update. This Annex is not intended to be a standalone document, but appends to and supplements the information contained in the Base Plan document. As such, all sections of the Base Plan, including the planning process and other procedural requirements apply to and were met by the PID. This Annex provides additional information specific to the District, with a focus on providing additional details on the risk assessment and mitigation strategy for the PID.

# **F.2** Planning Process

As described above, the PID followed the planning process detailed in Chapter 3 of the Base Plan. In addition to providing representation on the Butte County Hazard Mitigation Planning Committee (HMPC), the District formulated their own internal planning team to support the broader planning process requirements. Internal planning participants, their positions, and how they participated in the planning process are shown in Table F-1. Additional details on plan participation and District representatives are included in Appendix A.

Table F-1 PID Planning Team

Name	Position/Title	How Participated
Kevin Phillips	District Manager	Planning and implementation. Provided data and reviewed drafts
Jim Ladrini	Distribution Superintendent	Planning and implementation
Bill Taylor	Water Treatment Superintendent	Planning and implementation

Coordination with other community planning efforts is paramount to the successful implementation of this LHMP. This section provides information on how the District integrated the previously approved 2014 Plan into existing planning mechanisms and programs. Specifically, the PID incorporated into or implemented the 2014 LHMP through other plans and programs shown in Table F-2.

Table F-2 2014 LHMP Incorporation

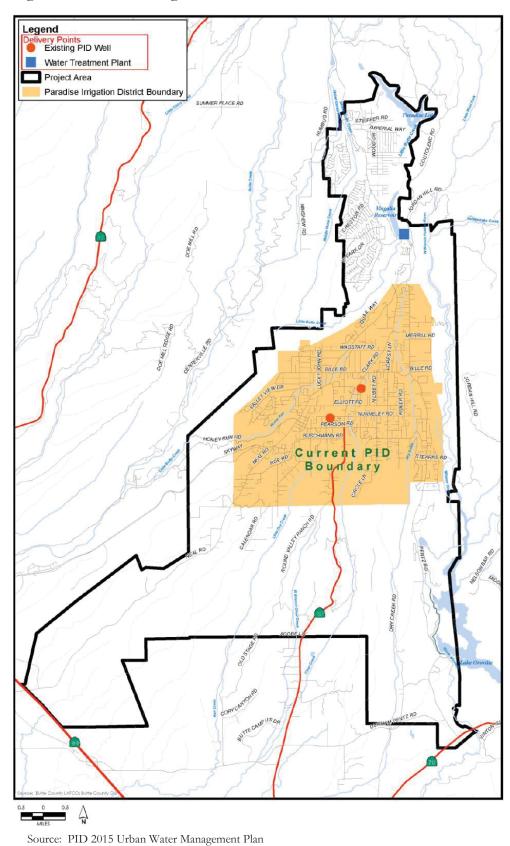


Planning Mechanism 2014 LHMP Was Incorporated/Implemented In.	Details: How was it incorporated?
Public Agency Capital Improvement Plan	The District replaced approximately 5 miles of pipe within the District
Drought Planning through the District's strategic Business Plan, Capital Improvement Plan and Urban Water Management Plan	The District replaced leaking pipelines and designed a replacement of the B-Reservoir to increase storage.

# F.3 District Profile

The community profile for the PID is detailed in the following sections. Figure F-1 displays a map and the location of the District within Butte County.

Figure F-1 Paradise Irrigation District Boundaries



Butte County Local Hazard Mitigation Plan Update October 2019

# F.3.1. Overview and Background

The Paradise Irrigation District was formed in 1916. The District purchased water rights from Pacific Gas and Electric for \$14,000. The idea was that water would turn Paradise into the "Fruit Capital of California." Once the District was formed there was much work to be done in order to bring water to the average citizen who had hopes of prospering as a California grower. In February of 1917 Paradise citizens voted 224 to 24 to tax themselves \$350,000 for a bond issue that would finance the building of pipelines and Magalia Dam. The assessed land value at that time was \$348,000. The optimistic outlook of Ridge residents soon became gloomy as the declaration of war against Germany came in April of 1917. Prices on everything went up, and steel was not available. Early settlers of this area had some very rough years and several residents lost their land due to unpaid tax assessments during the years of World War I, World War II, and the Depression. In 1956, the Paradise Dam was built for just under \$1 million dollars.

Remedial works were completed on Magalia Dam in 1964. The work consisted of stabilizing the existing dam by adding fill material to flatten the downstream slope of the western section below the county road. Approximately 13,000 cubic yards of earth were utilized in the reconstruction. Also 3,200 cubic yards of crushed drain and transition rock were placed on the bottom 3 to 8 feet of the embankment. The Bechtel Corporation served as engineer for the District and District personnel and equipment were used whenever possible. Paradise Dam was raised an additional 24.5 feet in 1976 increasing the available storage to 11,497 acre-feet. A water filtration plant was added to the District's water system in 1986 due to the increased turbidity within the reservoirs during the winter months. In January of 1995 the new treatment plant was completed and placed in service. The new filtration plant has the capacity to treat 22.8 million gallons per day.

#### F.4 Hazard Identification

PID's planning team identified the hazards that affect the District and summarized their location, extent, frequency of occurrence, potential magnitude, and significance specific to the District (see Table F-3).

Table F-3 Paradise Irrigation District – Hazard Identification Assessment

Hazard	Geographic Extent	Likelihood of Future Occurrences	Magnitude/ Severity	Significance	Climate Change Influence
Climate Change	Extensive	Likely	Limited	Low	_
Dam Failure	Extensive	Unlikely	Catastrophic	High	Medium
Drought & Water shortage	Extensive	Likely	Catastrophic	High	High
Earthquake	Extensive	Unlikely	Catastrophic	High	Low
Floods: 100/200/500 year	Limited	Occasional	Limited	Low	Medium
Floods: Localized Stormwater	Extensive	Likely	Catastrophic	Medium	Medium
Hazardous Materials Transportation	Limited	Unlikely	Negligible	Low	Low
Invasive Species: Aquatic	Limited	Occasional	Negligible	Low	Low
Invasive Species: Pests/Plants	Limited	Unlikely	Negligible	Low	Low
Landslide, Mudslide, and Debris Flow	Occasional	Unlikely	Catastrophic	Low	Medium
Levee Failure	Limited	Unlikely	Negligible	Low	Medium
Severe Weather: Extreme Heat	Extensive	Occasional	Negligible	Low	High
Severe Weather: Freeze and Winter Storm	Extensive	Occasional	Negligible	Medium	Medium
Severe Weather: Heavy Rain and Storms (Hail, Lightning)	Occasional	Likely	Catastrophic	Medium	Medium
Severe Weather: Wind and Tornado	Limited	Unlikely	Negligible	Low	Low
Stream Bank Erosion	Occasional	Occasional	Negligible	Low	Low
Volcano	Limited	Unlikely	Negligible	Low	Low
Wildfire	Extensive	Likely	Catastrophic	High	High

# Geographic Extent

Limited: Less than 10% of planning area

Significant: 10-50% of planning area Extensive: 50-100% of planning area

#### Likelihood of Future Occurrences

Highly Likely: Near 100% chance of occurrence in next year, or happens every year.

Likely: Between 10 and 100% chance of occurrence in next year, or has a recurrence interval of 10 years or less. Occasional: Between 1 and 10% chance of occurrence in the next year, or has a recurrence interval of 11 to 100 years.

Unlikely: Less than 1% chance of occurrence in next 100 years, or has a recurrence interval of greater than every 100 years.

#### Magnitude/Severity

Catastrophic—More than 50 percent of property severely damaged; shutdown of facilities for more than 30 days; and/or multiple deaths Critical—25-50 percent of property severely damaged; shutdown of facilities for at least two weeks; and/or injuries and/or illnesses result in permanent disability

Limited—10-25 percent of property severely damaged; shutdown of facilities for more than a week; and/or injuries/illnesses treatable do not result in permanent disability

Negligible—Less than 10 percent of property severely damaged, shutdown of facilities and services for less than 24 hours; and/or injuries/illnesses treatable with first aid

#### Significance

Low: minimal potential impact Medium: moderate potential impact High: widespread potential impact

#### Climate Change Influence

Low: minimal potential impact Medium: moderate potential impact High: widespread potential impact

# F.5 Hazard Profile and Vulnerability Assessment

The intent of this section is to profile PID's hazards and assess the District's vulnerability separate from that of the Planning Area as a whole, which has already been assessed in Sections 4.2 Hazard Profiles and 4.3 Vulnerability Assessment in the Base Plan. The hazard profiles in the Base Plan discuss overall impacts to the Planning Area and describes the hazard problem description, hazard extent, magnitude/severity, previous occurrences of hazard events and the likelihood of future occurrences. Hazard profile information specific to the District is included in this Annex. This vulnerability assessment analyzes the property and other assets at risk to hazards ranked of medium or high significance specific to the District. For more information about how hazards affect the County as a whole, see Chapter 4 Risk Assessment in the Base Plan.

#### F.5.1. Hazard Profiles

Each hazard vulnerability assessment in Section F.5.3, includes a hazard profile/problem description as to how each medium or high significant hazard affects the District and includes information on past hazard occurrences. The intent of this section is to provide jurisdictional specific information on hazards and further describe how the hazards and risks differ across the Planning Area.

# F.5.2. Vulnerability Assessment and Assets at Risk

This section identifies PID's total assets at risk, including values at risk, populations at risk, critical facilities and infrastructure, natural resources, and historic and cultural resources. Growth and development trends are also presented for the District. This data is not hazard specific but is representative of total assets at risk within the District.

#### Assets at Risk and Critical Facilities

This section considers the PID's assets at risk, with a focus on key District assets such as critical facilities, infrastructure, and other District assets and their values. With respect to District assets, the majority of these assets are considered critical facilities as defined for this Plan. Critical facilities are defined for this Plan as:

Any facility, including without limitation, a structure, infrastructure, property, equipment or service, that if adversely affected during a hazard event may result in severe consequences to public health and safety or interrupt essential services and operations for the community at any time before, during and after the hazard event.

Table F-4 lists critical facilities and other District assets identified by the PID planning team as important to protect in the event of a disaster. PID's physical assets, valued at over \$71 million, consist of the buildings and infrastructure to support PID's operations.

Table F-4 Paradise Irrigation District Critical Facilities, Infrastructure, and Other District Assets

Name of Asset	Facility Type	Replacement Value	Which Hazards Pose Risk
PID Treatment Plant	Water Treatment Plant	\$14,000,000	Earthquake and dam failure
PID Pumping Station	Treated Water Delivery Pumps	\$400,000	Earthquake, dam failure, wildfire
42-inch Transmission Pipeline	Above Ground Pipeline and Creek Crossing	\$90,000	Earthquake and dam failure
Paradise Dam	Dam	\$100,000,000	Earthquake and dam failure
Magalia Dam	Dam	\$30,000,000	Earthquake and dam failure
Diversion Dam	Raw Water Supply	\$3,000,000	Earthquake and dam failure
Water District Storage Tanks	Treated Water Delivery	\$24,000,000	Earthquake and Wildfire
Total		\$171,490,000	

Source: PID

#### Natural Resources

PID has a variety of natural resources of value to the District. These natural resources parallels that of the Town of Paradise as a whole. Information can be found in Section D.5.2 of the Town of Paradise Annex.

#### Historic and Cultural Resources

PID has a variety of historic and cultural resources of value to the District. These historic and cultural resources parallels that of the Town of Paradise as a whole. Information can be found in Section D.5.2 of the Town of Paradise Annex.

# Growth and Development Trends

General growth in the District parallels that of the Town of Paradise as a whole. Information can be found in Section D.5.2 of the Town of Paradise Annex.

#### Development since 2014

No District facilities have been constructed since 2014.

#### Future Development

The District has no control over future development in areas the District provides water in. Future development in these areas parallels that of the Town of Paradise. Due to the Camp Fire, future development in Paradise is currently unclear. More general information on growth and development in

Butte County as a whole can be found in "Growth and Development Trends" in Section 4.3.1 Butte County Vulnerability and Assets at Risk of the Base Plan.

The District Planning Team noted that the District is in the process of investigating the opportunity to expand its service area to the west of the District boundaries. The expansion could include an intertie with Cal Water Chico to support the Vina Subbasin groundwater users.

# F.5.3. Vulnerability to Specific Hazards

This section provides the hazard profile discussion and vulnerability assessment for those hazards identified above in Table F-3 as high or medium significance hazards. Impacts of past events and vulnerability of the District to specific hazards are further discussed below (see Section 4.1 Hazard Identification in the Base Plan for more detailed information about these hazards and their impacts on the Butte County Planning Area).

An estimate of the vulnerability of the PID to each identified priority hazard, in addition to the estimate of risk of future occurrence, is provided in each of the hazard-specific sections that follow. Vulnerability is measured in general, qualitative terms and is a summary of the potential impact based on past occurrences, spatial extent, and damage and casualty potential. It is categorized into the following classifications:

- **Extremely Low**—The occurrence and potential cost of damage to life and property is very minimal to nonexistent.
- **Low**—Minimal potential impact. The occurrence and potential cost of damage to life and property is minimal.
- ➤ Medium—Moderate potential impact. This ranking carries a moderate threat level to the general population and/or built environment. Here the potential damage is more isolated and less costly than a more widespread disaster.
- ➤ **High**—Widespread potential impact. This ranking carries a high threat to the general population and/or built environment. The potential for damage is widespread. Hazards in this category may have occurred in the past.
- **Extremely High**—Very widespread with catastrophic impact.

#### Dam Failure

**Likelihood of Future Occurrence**—Unlikely **Vulnerability**—High

#### Hazard Profile and Problem Description

Dams are manmade structures built for a variety of uses including flood protection, power generation, agriculture, water supply, and recreation. When dams are constructed for flood protection, they are usually engineered to withstand a flood with a computed risk of occurrence. For example, a dam may be designed to contain a flood at a location on a stream that has a certain probability of occurring in any one year. If prolonged periods of rainfall and flooding occur that exceed the design requirements, that structure may be overtopped or fail. Overtopping is the primary cause of earthen dam failure in the United States.

#### Location and Extent

Paradise Irrigation District maintains two dams north of the Town of Paradise that impound stormwater flows in reservoirs used to provide drinking water to the community. The Skyway two lane road located on top of the dam is the primary access route into the Pines community (>10,000 residents). The upstream Paradise Reservoir is the main storage facility with a storage capacity of approximately 11,500 acre-feet. Magalia Reservoir was originally constructed with a storage capacity of 2,570 acre-feet.

Due to their location and proximity to the Town of Paradise, the Paradise dam is an extremely High classification and the Magalia is classified as a high hazard dam. There has been no history of failure of either of these two dams. Dam failure would affect mainly those living in the canyon and would likely have a limited effect on the Town of Paradise. Both of these dams had available inundation maps from Cal OES. District boundaries and dam inundation areas can be seen on Figure F-2, Figure F-3, and Figure F-4.

BUTTE COUNTY INSET BUTTE COUNTY **TEHAMA** PLUMAS GLENN YUBA PENTA MAGNOLIA HWY CÓLUSA NEVADA BILLERD BUTTE ELLIOTTED COUNTY NUNNELEY RD TOWN OF PARADISE PEARSON RD EDGEWOOD LANE LEGEND Highways Major Roads Railroads Rivers DAM INUNDATION Lakes AREA EXTENTS Extremely High Dam Inundation Areas Cities Paradise Irrigation District Counties Paradise Foster Morrison 2 Miles Data Source: Cal OES Dam Status 10/2017, Butte County GIS, Cal-Atlas; Map Date: 8/27/2019.

Figure F-2 Paradise Irrigation District – Extremely High Hazard Dam Inundation Areas

BUTTE COUNTY INSET BUTTE COUNTY **TEHAMA PLUMAS** YUBA PENTA MAGNOLIA HWY NEVADA BILLERD BUTTE ELLIOTT RD COUNTY NUNNELEY RD TOWN OF PARADISE PEARSON RD **EDGEWOOD LANE** KUNKLE RESERVOIR BUTTE COUNTY LEGEND Highways Major Roads Railroads Rivers DAM INUNDATION Lakes **AREA EXTENTS** Cities High Dam Inundation Areas Paradise Irrigation District Magalia Counties Foster, Morrison 2 Miles Data Source: Cal OES Dam Status 10/2017, Butte County GIS, Cal-Atlas; Map Date: 8/27/2019.

Figure F-3 Paradise Irrigation District – High Hazard Dam Inundation Areas

BUTTE COUNTY INSET BUTTE TEHAMA PLUMAS GLENN YUBA PENTA MAGNOLIA HWY CÓLUSA NEVADA BILLERD BUTTE ELLIOTT RD COUNTY NUNNELEY RD TOWN OF PARADISE PEARSON RD **EDGEWOOD LANE** KUNKLE RESERVOIR BUTTE COUNTY LEGEND Highways Major Roads Railroads DAM INUNDATION Rivers AREA EXTENTS Lakes Significant Dam Inundation Areas Cities Kunkle Counties Paradise Irrigation District Philbrook Foster Morrison 2 Miles Data Source: Cal OES Dam Status 10/2017, Butte County GIS, Cal-Atlas; Map Date: 8/27/2019.

Figure F-4 Paradise Irrigation District - Significant Hazard Dam Inundation Areas

There is no scale with which to measure dam failure, just the hazard classification system for each dam. While a dam may fill slowly with runoff from winter storms, a dam break can have a very quick speed of onset. The duration of dam failure can vary depending on the nature of the dam break or failure.

#### **Past Occurrences**

The District Planning Team noted no past occurrences of dam failure that have affected the District.

#### Vulnerability and Impacts to Dam Failure

Dam failure flooding can occur as the result of partial or complete collapse of an impoundment. Dam failures often result from prolonged rainfall and flooding. The primary danger associated with dam failure is the high velocity flooding of those properties downstream of the dam.

A dam failure can range from a small, uncontrolled release to a catastrophic failure. Vulnerability to dam failures is generally confined to the areas subject to inundation downstream of the facility. Secondary losses would include loss of the multi-use functions of the facility and associated revenues that accompany those functions. Dam failure flooding would vary by community depending on which dam fails and the nature and extent of the dam failure and associated flooding.

Magalia Dam has been identified by the Division of Safety of Dams (DSOD) as at risk to failure in the event of significant seismic activity. In the event of such failure, floodwater would cause significant damages in the Little Butte Creek and Butte Creek Canyons and the town of Durham and exceed the capacity of the downstream Butte Creek levees. The Town of Paradise would be affected since the water treatment plant and the 42-inch supply line that provides drinking water for the residents in the community could be severely damaged since it is located at the downstream toe of the dam. The primary access road to the Pines Community would be eliminated and impact >10,000 residents. Reconstruction of the damaged facilities would be difficult, cause a significant water outage, take many months to restore, and the repair costs would be very high.

In a 1992 study of Magalia Dam it was concluded that the upstream slope of the dam was found to have inadequate stability under seismic loading conditions. In 1997 in response to this concern, the DSOD required the water storage in the reservoir to be decreased to 800 acre-feet. If stabilized, the capacity of Magalia Reservoir could be restored to 2,570 acre-feet. The change in water level elevation from 2,225 feet when full, was lowered to the current restricted operating level of 2,199 feet, or a reduction of 26 change feet. Each year the DSD conducts a dam inspection and the District prepares a "Surveillance Report", with assistance from the URS Corporation.

In 2004, the PID constructed a diversion structure above Magalia Reservoir and a raw water pipeline to the water treatment plant. This improvement will supply untreated water to the treatment plant during any reconstruction of Magalia Dam, or the widening of Skyway across Magalia Dam. The PID is working on extending its water rights permits, which must be secured before further work is contemplated on Magalia Dam.

The applications for extending the District's Water Rights were filed on time. The District hired a consultant to complete the CEQA process for the water rights renewal and Sphere of Influence expansion.

The District is in the process of completing an EIR for the water rights extension and sphere of influence expansion. The field work is completed, and the document is being developed.

The County did preliminary engineering on a project to widen the Skyway's two lanes to four lanes across Magalia Dam. The PID's preferred alternative for the widening project involves stabilizing the dam that would restore the design water level of 2,225 feet behind Magalia Dam, or 2,570 acre-feet.

Dam failure flooding presents a threat to life and property, including buildings, their contents, and their use. Large flood events can affect crops and livestock as well as lifeline utilities (e.g., water, sewerage, and power), transportation, jobs, tourism, the environment, and the local and regional economies.

Impacts to the PID from dam failure include damage to property and critical facilities. Other impacts include the costs to PID to rebuild any owned dam that failed. The District would also face the loss of water revenue if the reservoirs were drained.

#### Assets at Risk

Based on the dam failure inundation maps for the Magalia and Paradise Dams, the following District facilities would be at risk:

- > PID Water Treatment Plant
- ➤ 42-inch Water Supply Transmission Pipeline
- > The Skyway two-lane road on top of Magalia Dam

The following communities and the environment would be at risk:

- > Town of Durham 12 to 15 miles downstream with a population greater than 1000
- Little Butte Creek Riparian environment
- Little Butte Canyon 5 to 7 miles downstream with a population less than 1000
- > Pines Community adjacent to Magalia Dam with a population of greater than 10,000

# **Future Development**

The District takes multiple factors into account, including dam inundation areas, when siting new projects. The District has potential projects to mitigate dam inundation for District property, as well as downstream facilities:

- Hazard assessment study
- > Dam replacement

#### Drought & Water Shortage

**Likelihood of Future Occurrence**—Likely **Vulnerability**—High

#### Hazard Profile and Problem Description

Drought is a gradual phenomenon. Although droughts are sometimes characterized as emergencies, they differ from typical emergency events. Most natural disasters, such as floods or wildfires, occur relatively rapidly and afford little time for preparing for disaster response. Droughts occur slowly, over a multi-year period, and it is often not obvious or easy to quantify when a drought begins and ends. Water districts normally require at least a 10-year planning horizon to implement a multiagency improvement project to mitigate the effects of a drought and water supply shortage.

#### Location and Extent

As discussed in the Base Plan, drought and water shortage are regional phenomenon. The whole of the County, as well as the whole of the PID, is at risk. Drought has a slow speed of onset and a variable duration. Drought can last for a short period of time, which does not usually affect water shortages. Should a drought last for a long period of time, water shortage becomes a larger issue.

#### **Past Occurrences**

Since drought is a regional phenomenon, past occurrences of drought for Paradise are similar to those for the County. Those past occurrences can be found in Section 4.2.8 of the Base Plan.

The District did note that PID's primary water supply system is reliant upon water captured and stored from Little Butte Creek. Little Butte Creek is a minor stream in the Sacramento Valley drainage that rises in the northwestern foothills of the Sierra Nevada and lies wholly within Butte County. Elevations range from 2,150 feet at the base of Magalia Dam to 3,850 feet at the uppermost elevation in the watershed. Flow in the catchment area is seasonal and responds to and follows the pattern of precipitation. Data for the runoff in the catchment area is from 1907 to 2004. The average annual runoff for the past 97 years has been approximately 15,750 acre-feet. The water year 1935-36 (estimated runoff 15,960 acre-feet) was used to represent the average year. The lowest estimated runoff was in the 1923-24 water year at 1,763 acre-feet. Average runoff far exceeds the District's current and projected needs of 7,000 to 8,000 acre-feet of water demand each year, although the District is vulnerable to potential water shortages during extended dry periods. The District's firm yield is 7,300 acre-feet plus 350 acre-feet from a well (groundwater).

Firm yield is defined as the amount of water that could be annually utilized from the Little Butte Creek system during a critical drought period. PID stores water from Little Butte Creek in two reservoirs located on the drainage. Magalia Reservoir originally had a storage capacity of 2,574 AF, but in 1997 the reservoir was drawn down to comply with safety requirements of DSOD. After drawdown, Magalia Reservoir has a storage capacity of 800 AF. Paradise Reservoir has a storage capacity of 11,497 AF. The total storage capacity of both reservoirs is 12,293 AF. The District has approximately 6,000 acre-feet of additional water rights that are not being utilized due to a lack of storage.

The District drilled a well in 1996. The output from the well is estimated to be 350 acre-feet per year but is operated annually at only 30 acre-feet per year to keep the well operational. The primary purpose of the well is to augment the District's water supply during times of drought or emergency. Ground water supply in the District's area is not expected to provide a significant source of water.

#### Vulnerability and Impacts to Drought and Water Shortage

Based on historical information, the occurrence of drought in California, including the District, is cyclical, driven by weather patterns. Drought has occurred in the past and will occur in the future. Periods of actual drought with adverse impacts can vary in duration, and the period between droughts is often extended. Although an area may be under an extended dry period, determining when it becomes a drought is based on impacts to individual water users. The vulnerability of the PID to drought is District-wide, but impacts may vary and include reduction in water supply and an increase in dry fuels. The increased dry fuels result in an increased fire danger. Areas of Paradise are in the foothill interface and become more susceptible to wildfire as drought conditions increase. Residents of these areas are often times dependent upon ground water (water wells), as these water wells begin to fail the ability of the residents to water landscaping decreases, fire fuel loads increase.

The most significant qualitative impacts associated with drought in the planning area are those related to water intensive activities such as wildfire protection, municipal usage, commerce, tourism, and recreation. Voluntary conservation measures are typically implemented during extended droughts. A reduction of electric power generation and water quality deterioration are also potential problems. Drought conditions can also cause soil to compact and not absorb water well, potentially making an area more susceptible to flooding.

#### Assets at Risk

The drought and water shortage impacts are thoroughly evaluated in the Paradise Irrigation District's 2015 Urban Water Management Plan, including a Water Shortage Contingency Plan and a Catastrophic Supply Interruption Plan. The District's 2012 updated Water System Emergency Response plan includes an Emergency Action Plan (EAP) for dam failure as well as EAPs for other natural disaster and man-made malevolent events.

#### **Future Development**

Future development of District facilities is unlikely to be affected by drought during the process of siting the project. The District has potential projects to mitigate drought's affects to District customers:

- > Hydraulic Modeling of the water distribution
- > Distribution system and water treatment plant upgrades
- ➤ Increase storage of the B-Reservoir
- Upsizing of Customer service-lines with backflow assemblies

# Earthquake and Liquefaction

**Likelihood of Future Occurrence**—Unlikely **Vulnerability**—High

#### Hazard Profile and Problem Description

The State of California has identified five areas of critical seismic concern including surface ruptures, ground shaking, ground failure, tsunamis, and seiches. Each of these is caused by earthquake activity

thereby creating hazards for life and property, which has the potential anywhere in California. The District is not at risk for tsunamis or seiches due to its inland location and the absence of nearby large bodies of water. The only known active fault in Butte County is the Cleveland Hills fault, the site of the August 1975 Oroville earthquake. This earthquake had a Richter magnitude of 5.7. Due to the proximity of the District to the Cleveland Hills Fault, the District is at risk to an earthquake occurring on this fault. These earthquakes can cause liquefaction within the District. Liquefaction is a process whereby soil is temporarily transformed to a fluid formed during intense and prolonged ground shaking. In a 1992 study of Magalia Dam it was concluded that the upstream slope of the dam was found to have inadequate stability under seismic loading conditions. In 1997 the water level in the reservoir was lowered, due to seismic stability concerns. There is concern that the Magalia dam could fail under stress from seismic shaking.

#### Location and Extent

Since earthquakes are regional events, the whole of the District is at risk to earthquake. Hazus earthquake analysis for the region is shown in Section 4.3.6 of the Base Plan. PID and the surrounding area is located in a region of relatively low risk of earthquake occurrence. Additionally, the District is potentially at risk to liquefaction from earthquake shaking; the District falls within an area of generally low liquefaction potential A map of liquefaction potential and District locations is shown on Figure F-5.

BUTTE COUNTY INSET BUTTE **TEHAMA** COUNTY PLUMAS **BUTTE COUNTY** GLENN YUBA PENTA MAGNOLIA HWY Linde Butte Creek CÓLUSA NEVADA W Branch Feather River BILLERD BUTTE ELLIOTT RD COUNTY NUNNELEY RD TOWN OF PARADISE PEARSON RD PACIFIC DR EDGEWOOD LANE Nance Canyon KUNKLE RESERVOIR 191 LEGEND BUTTE COUNTY Highways Major Roads Railroads Rivers LIQUEFACTION POTENTIAL Lakes Generally High Cities Generally Moderate Paradise Irrigation District Counties Generally Low Foster Morrison 2 Miles Data Source: Butte County General Plan 2030, Butte County GIS, Cal-Atlas; Map Date: 8/27/2019.

Figure F-5 Paradise Irrigation District – Liquefaction Areas

The amount of energy released during an earthquake is usually expressed as a magnitude and is measured directly from the earthquake as recorded on seismographs. An earthquake's magnitude is expressed in whole numbers and decimals (e.g., 6.8). Seismologists have developed several magnitude scales, as discussed in Section 4.2.10 of the Base Plan. Earthquake and liquefaction both have a short onset period, and the duration of shaking and liquefaction is short as well.

#### **Past Occurrences**

As shown in the Base Plan, only the 1975 5.7 magnitude Oroville earthquake that resulted in a federal disaster declaration has occurred in the County. The District was not affected by this earthquake. The HMPC noted no other past occurrences of earthquakes or liquefaction that affected the District in any meaningful way.

#### Vulnerability and Impacts to Earthquake

Earthquake vulnerability and impacts are primarily based on population and the built environment. Urban areas in high seismic hazard zones are the most vulnerable, while uninhabited areas are less vulnerable. The primary impacts of concern are life safety, property damage., and impacts to critical facilities and infrastructure, including the road system.

Ground shaking is the primary earthquake hazard. Many factors affect the survivability of structures and systems from earthquake-caused ground motions. These factors include proximity to the fault, direction of rupture, epicentral location and depth, magnitude, local geologic and soils conditions, types and quality of construction, building configurations and heights, and comparable factors that relate to utility, transportation, and other network systems.

The California DSOD is concerned that if the epicenter of an earthquake of significant magnitude were to occur nearby a dam, the likelihood of a structural failure is high. Local dams vulnerable to earthquake damage are hydraulic-filled embankment dams built with sluicing materials from an adjacent area and depositing the slurry into the embankment, such as the Magalia and De Salba Dams.

While not considered an active fault like the Cleveland Hills fault discussed above, there are a number of faults within Butte County and a large number of relatively nearby faults that could be considered potentially active, based on criteria developed by the California Mining and Geology Board. Following is a description of the active faults near the Magalia Dam. These faults are detailed below and include the following:

- Magalia Fault. The Magalia Fault is located near the northern end of the Foothill Fault System, a system of northwest trending east dipping normal fault formed along the margin of the Great Valley and the Sierra Nevada provinces. The DSOD, based on Fault Activity Guidelines in 2001 reclassified the Magalia Fault as conditionally active. The Paradise Irrigation District commissioned a study by Holdrege & Kull, dated January 2007 to evaluate the Magalia Fault.
- Foothills Shear Zone. The Foothills shear zone extends into southern Butte County. A possible magnitude 7.0 earthquake in this zone would result in intensities as high as IX in Butte County

In 2007, The District hired a consultant to determine the status of the Magalia Fault. The consultant's opinion was that the fault is inactive, but the DSOD would not accept the finding without additional studies. Below is information from the 2007 Fault Evaluation Report prepared by Holdrege and Kull.

Seismic studies were performed in 1973 and updated in 1992 by Harlan Tait Associates (HTA) to evaluate the potential for the hydraulic fill within the dam to liquefy under earthquake loading. The later HTA study concluded that the upstream slope was potentially unstable during seismic events and the Division of Safety of Dams (DOSD) required that the dam be strengthened or the water level behind the dam be lowered. DOSD performed their own evaluation of the dam and concluded that the reservoir be lowered to 35 feet below the crest of the dam. In 1994, Dames & Moore (D&M) performed an independent study for PID to further evaluate a safe reservoir level. D&M's study indicated that the reservoir would be safe if the water level was further reduced an additional 5 feet; lowering the reservoir to 40 feet below the crest of the dam. The DOSD accepted the findings and stipulated that the reservoir elevation be restricted to elevation 2,200 feet, above mean sea level (MSL).

A Feasibility Study was performed in 2002 by URS Corporation (URS) to further evaluate the restricted reservoir level as previously imposed by DSOD. The purpose of that study was to determine if it was possible to revise the restricted storage capacity of the reservoir. The scope of the study included review of the extensive amount of field and laboratory tests that were performed during previous investigations and additional static and dynamic analyses using current software and correction procedures for penetration resistance N1 (60)cs. URS concluded that the water elevation of the reservoir could be safely raised an additional 13 feet to elevation 2,213 feet, above MSL. The URS evaluation was based on an assumed magnitude 6.5 earthquake occurring on the Chico Monocline Fault with an 84th percentile peak ground acceleration (PGA) value of 0.34g.

However, based on the Fault Activity Guidelines established by DSOD in 2001, the Magalia Fault was reclassified as conditionally active in a DSOD memorandum dated July 1, 2002. Because the Magalia Fault was reclassified to be conditionally active, DSOD recommended that the 50th percentile PGA of 0.61g for the Magalia Fault be used to update previous static and dynamic analyses related to the Magalia Reservoir. The reservoir elevation is currently restricted to 2,199 feet above mean seal level.

Impacts to the District included damage to facilities and distribution lines. Dams owned by the District could also be impacted. Other impacts include damage to structures; critical infrastructure and facilities, and loss of life and injury to people in downstream dam areas.

#### Assets at Risk

Aging water distribution systems comprised of steel pipe requires ongoing replacement that is vulnerable to earthquake damage due to corrosion issues. The District identified 60 miles of pipe that should be replaced. District personnel installed 29,821 feet of mainline in the last five years. In addition to that, grant funding helped with the installation of 12,000 feet of mainline installed by a contractor. While the total fell short of the 5-year goal to complete the replacement of 75,000 feet, a deferral of mainline installation was realized with the freezing of three full-time positions and a dispute with the union over temporary worker status. Pipe replacement avoids unnecessary water losses that deplete water storage supply, reduce water to

the Bay-Delta and increase operations costs. The high cost for unplanned pipeline repairs that damage public and private property can be avoided by replacing the steel pipes before they become problematic.

The water treatment plant and 42-inch transmission water line are highly vulnerable to severe damage and critical loss of water supply due to dam failure due to earthquake shaking. The following District facilities would be at risk due to an earthquake:

- > PID Water Treatment Plant
- ➤ 42-inch Water Supply Transmission Pipeline
- Water Distribution Storage Tanks
- Magalia Dam

#### **Future Development**

The District will build any new development to current California Building Code, which includes construction standards designed to mitigate hazards. In addition, the District has a potential project to mitigate the hazards of earthquake to the District and its customers:

> Replacement of B-Reservoir with steel tanks

#### Floods: Localized Stormwater

Likelihood of Future Occurrence—Likely Vulnerability—Medium

#### Hazard Profile and Problem Description

Localized flooding and other issues caused by severe weather events, primarily heavy rains and severe storms, are an annual occurrence in the District. Normally storm floodwaters are kept within defined limits by a variety of storm drainage and flood control measures. Occasionally, extended heavy rains result in floodwaters that overwhelm the drainage system. Primary concerns include impacts to infrastructure that provides a means of ingress and egress throughout the community.

#### Location and Extent

The Town of Paradise and areas of the District are subject to localized flooding. The extent of localized flooding is usually measured in volume, velocity, and depths of flooding. Expected flood depths in the District vary by location. Flood durations in the District tend to be short to medium term, or until either the storm drainage system can catch up or flood waters move downstream. Localized flooding in the District tends to have a shorter speed of onset, especially when antecedent rainfall has soaked the ground and reduced its capacity to absorb additional moisture.

#### **Past Occurrences**

The District Planning Team noted that localized flooding has not affected District facilities in the past. It can cause issues with District personnel traveling to and from work, as well as to and from District facilities.

#### Vulnerability and Impacts to Localized Flood

Localized flooding occurs throughout the District primarily during the winter and spring months during periods of heavy rains. Localized flooding can cause road closures, pavement deterioration, washouts, landslides/mudslides, debris areas, and downed trees. The amount and type of damage or flooding that occurs varies from year to year and storm to storm, depending on the quantity of runoff. Heavy rains may produce ponding around storm drains and in low lying areas, but these events are short in duration and do not typically cause property damage.

The drainage patterns of the Paradise area and the District reflect the uniqueness of its location on a gently sloping ridge surface. The Paradise area is dominated by a somewhat continuous overland runoff flow which is organized into local rills or depressions as the runoff is collected. The Paradise area is divided into fairly distinct drainage basins.

The drainage systems often coincide with groundwater seeps and springs which serve to increase the moisture availability beyond the intermittent flows directly related to storm runoff. Consequently, the drainage depressions and their downslope channels are often thickly vegetated.

As these areas are developed, the undergrowth and grass cover are often removed and channels are randomly excavated to suit the individual owner's or developer's interest. Often when this takes place, either through lack of knowledge, lack of funds or indifference, the resulting channel is inadequate in capacity and poses a real possibility of promoting damage. While the soils and subsoils of the Paradise area do not markedly aggravate the runoff situation, they also do not prove to be highly permeable. This often results in localized flooding which can be exacerbated by such land use activities as grading operations, vegetation clearance, inattention to storm runoff from construction sites during the peak winter rainfall period, large-scale paving and the lack of a collection system for storm waters. Storm runoff arrives at the principal drainage channels through overland flow for most of the Paradise area. Very few collector systems have been constructed and the primary form of collection has been through roadside ditches.

Impacts to the District from localized flood include possible damage to facilities and infrastructure. Localized flooding can also affect transportation routes that District personnel must take to get to District facilities.

#### Assets at Risk

The PID treatment plant and the 42-inch above ground pipeline are vulnerable to flooding from the overtopping of the spillway for Magalia Dam. The spillway currently flows toward the treatment plant below the dam.

# **Future Development**

Future development is unlikely to be affected by localized flooding. The District has noted potential projects to mitigate localized flood for the District and its customers:

- ➤ Hazard assessment study
- > Dam replacement

#### Severe Weather: Freeze and Winter Storm

**Likelihood of Future Occurrence**—Occasional **Vulnerability**—Medium

#### Hazard Profile and Problem Description

According to the National Weather Service (NWS) and the Western Regional Climate Center (WRCC), extreme cold often accompanies a winter storm or is left in its wake. Winter snowstorms in the District can include freezing temperatures, snow, and ice. Prolonged exposure to cold can cause frostbite or hypothermia and can be life-threatening. Infants and the elderly are most susceptible. Pipes may freeze and burst in homes or buildings that are poorly insulated or without heat. Freezing temperatures can cause significant damage to the agricultural industry.

#### Location and Extent

Freeze and winter storms are regional issues, meaning the entire District is at risk to freeze and winter storms. While there is no scale (i.e. Richter, Enhanced Fujita) to measure the effects of freeze, temperature data from the County from the WRCC indicates that there are 21.8 days that fall below 32°F in western Butte County, with no days falling below 0°F. Freeze has a slow onset and can be generally be predicted in advance for the County. Freeze events can last for hours (in a cold overnight), or for days to weeks at a time. Snowfall is generally measured in snow fall and snow depths. It is rare for snow to fall, and even rarer that snow accumulates in the District. Snowfall has an onset that is similar to freeze in the District.

#### **Past Occurrences**

While the District Planning Team noted that while freeze and winter storms are annual events, there have been no events that have damages District facilities.

#### Vulnerability and Impacts to Severe Weather: Freeze and Winter Storms

The District experiences temperatures below 32 degrees and occasional snowfall during the winter months. The temperature moves to the teens in rather extreme situations. Occasionally, winter storms with freezing weather, snow and ice can affect the District. Winter storms can include snow and ice, and are occasionally accompanied by high winds, which can cause downed trees and power lines, power outages, broken pipes, accidents, and road closures. District facilities can be affected by loss of electricity.

#### Assets at Risk

The following District facilities would be at risk due to a severe weather:

- ➤ PID Water Treatment Plant
- > PID Pumping Station

### **Future Development**

The District builds all facilities to current California Building Code, and takes freeze and winter storm into account when siting facilities. Potential projects to mitigate freeze and winter storms for the District and its customers are:

- Hazard assessment study
- Upgrading backup generators throughout the District
- Running a redundant pipeline from the treatment plant to the junction box at the beginning of distribution system.

### Severe Weather: Heavy Rain and Storms (Hail, Lightning)

**Likelihood of Future Occurrence**—Likely **Vulnerability**—Medium

### Hazard Profile and Problem Description

Storms in the District occur annually and are generally characterized by heavy rain often accompanied by strong winds and sometimes lightning and hail. Approximately 10 percent of the thunderstorms that occur each year in the United States are classified as severe. A thunderstorm is classified as severe when it contains one or more of the following phenomena: hail that is three-quarters of an inch or greater, winds in excess of 50 knots (57.5 mph), or a tornado. Heavy precipitation in the District falls mainly in the fall, winter, and spring months.

### Location and Extent

Heavy rain events occur on a regional basis. Rains and storms can occur in any location of the District. All portions of the District are at risk to heavy rains. Most of the severe rains occur during the winter months. There is no scale by which heavy rains and severe storms are measured. Magnitude of storms is measured often in rainfall and damages. The speed of onset of heavy rains can be short, but accurate weather prediction mechanisms often let the public know of upcoming events. Duration of severe storms in California, Butte County, and the District is often short, ranging from minutes to hours. In some cases, rains can continue for days at a time. Information on precipitation extremes can be found in Section 4.2.4 of the Base Plan.

### **Past Occurrences**

While the District Planning Team noted that while heavy rain and storms are annual events, there have been no events that have damages District facilities.

### Vulnerability and Impacts to Heavy Rain and Storms

According to historical hazard data, severe weather is an annual occurrence in the District. Damage and disaster declarations related to severe weather have occurred and will continue to occur in the future. Heavy rain and severe storms are the most frequent type of severe weather occurrences in the District. Wind and lightning often accompany these storms and have caused damage in the past. Hail is rare.

Actual damage associated with the primary effects of severe weather have been limited. It is the secondary hazards caused by weather, such as flooding, that have had the greatest impact on the District. Impacts to District assets, critical facilities (such as utilities), and the transportation system can occur. Life safety issues can occur but are less of a concern during heavy rains and storms. The risk and vulnerability associated with these secondary hazards are discussed in the localized flood section of this Annex.

#### Assets at Risk

The water treatment plan and the above ground 42-inch transmission waterline are at critical risk due to this hazard.

### Future Development

The District builds all facilities to current California Building Code, and takes heavy rain and storms into account when siting facilities. Potential projects to mitigate heavy rain and storms for the District and its customers are:

- ➤ Hazard assessment study
- Upgrading backup generators throughout the District
- Running a redundant pipeline from the treatment plant to the junction box at the beginning of distribution system.

#### Wildfire

**Likelihood of Future Occurrence**—Likely **Vulnerability**—Extremely High

#### Hazard Profile and Problem Description

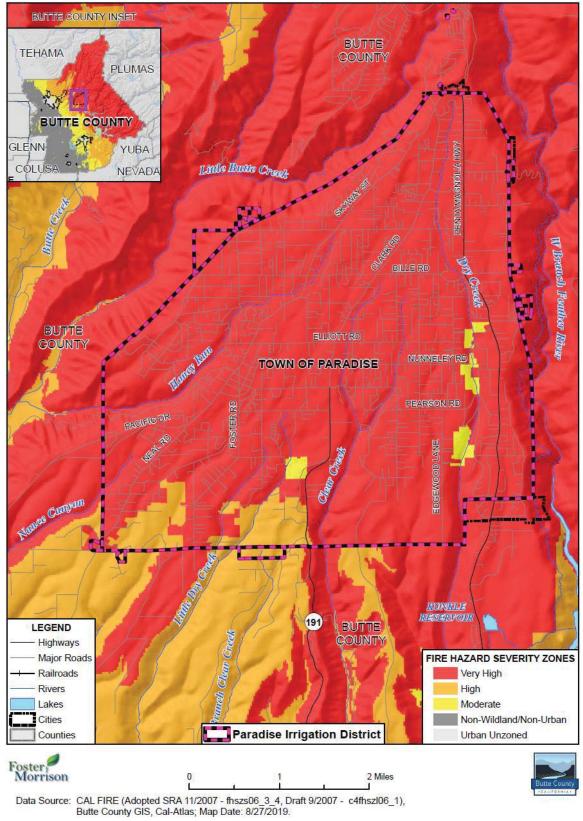
Wildland fire is an ongoing concern for the PID. Generally, the fire season extends from early spring through late fall of each year during the hotter, dryer months. Fire conditions arise from a combination of high temperatures, low moisture content in the air and fuel, accumulation of vegetation, and high winds. Throughout California, communities are increasingly concerned about wildfire safety as increased development in the foothills and mountain areas and subsequent fire suppression practices have affected the natural cycle of the ecosystem. While the fire season was considered to be predominantly May through October, it has now become a year around concern. Complicating wildfire issues is the threat of PG&E shutdowns during red flag days. This affects the District's ability to treat water and pump water to the upper zones of the District.

#### Location and Extent

The whole of the District lies in a Moderate to Very High Fire Hazard Severity Zone. Wildfires tend to be measured in structure damages, injuries, and loss of life as well as on acres burned. Fires can have a quick speed of onset, especially during periods of drought. Fires can burn for a short period of time or may have durations lasting for a week or more. Fire Hazard Severity Zones in the District can be seen on Figure F-6.

Figure F-6 Paradise Irrigation District – Fire Hazard Severity Zones

BUTTE COUNTY INSET



### **Past Occurrences**

**2008 Ophir Fire**- Lightning from storms, particularly during dry summer months is a potential natural ignition source for wildfire. An example of this would be the June 2008 fires. A large fire surrounded the Town of Paradise. No damages were done to the District facilities, but a fire of this nature underscores the risk of wildfire to the District (see discussion of Camp Fire below). The 2008 fires showed that further education in the community is needed to stop the use of yard sprinklers during evacuations. The water is not beneficial and takes water away from firefighting efforts.

2018 Camp Fire – During the Camp Fire, toxic chemicals (especially volatile organic compounds, VOCs, such as benzene) contaminated the Paradise Irrigation District (PID) distribution system. The distribution system is comprised of 172 miles (almost a million feet) of water mains and 10,480 service laterals. A significant number of the 10,480 individual service laterals and/or meters melted and the system partially drained. Following the Camp Fire, the distribution system was re-pressurized, leaks were repaired, and initial water quality testing began. It was discovered in the 2017 Tubbs Fire in Santa Rosa, that VOC contamination may be an issue in areas impacted by wildfire, especially coupled with depressurization of the water distribution system. The initial water quality testing discovered VOC contamination in multiple samples. Immediately, a "do not drink" advisory was initiated by PID. The full extent of the contamination is not yet known, but the system needs to be confirmed to be clear of contaminants and determined safe for use in distributing drinking water. A Water System Recovery Plan has been developed to accomplish this task.

### Vulnerability and Impacts to Wildfire

Risk and vulnerability to the Butte County Planning Area and the District from wildfire is of significant concern, with some areas of the planning area being at greater risk than others. High fuel loads in the planning area, along with geographical and topographical features, create the potential for both natural and human-caused fires that can result in loss of life and property. These factors, combined with natural weather conditions common to the area, including periods of drought, high temperatures, low relative humidity, and periodic winds, can result in frequent and sometimes catastrophic fires. During the May to November fire season, the dry vegetation and hot and sometimes windy weather, combined with continued growth in the WUI areas, results in an increase in the number of ignitions. Any fire, once ignited, has the potential to quickly become a large, out-of-control fire. As development continues throughout the Planning Area, especially in these interface areas, the risk and vulnerability to wildfires will likely increase.

PID is not immune to numerous types of grass, brush, and wildland fires and any one of them may accelerate into a large WUI wildfire. As evidenced by the Camp Fire, such a situation could lead to evacuation of large portions of the population and the potential for significant loss of property, structures and rangeland. The natural fuels available in or near the District vary greatly in the rate and intensity of burning. Fires in heavy brush and stands of trees burn with great intensity but more slowly than in dry grass and leaves. Dense fuels will propagate fire better than sparse fuels.

Compounding the problem is the lack of ingress and egress roads in Paradise and around the District. Due to the sheer volume of people that can be affected at one time by a wildland fire, a number of potential traffic flow problems exist. These are complicated by the existence of only one north route out of town;

only four south routes out of town, two of which could easily be affected by a single fire; and only three through east-west streets. The plan concludes that any fire in the Magalia area would have a major impact on the roads in Paradise because access is via a two-lane road.

Wildfires in or near the PID service area in the Town of Paradise provide a significant impact to the District's ability to deliver water. The 2008 fires showed that further education in the community is needed to stop the use of yard sprinklers during evacuations. The water is not beneficial and takes water away from firefighting efforts.

The PID service area is located directly adjacent to the communities of Paradise and Magalia in the WUI.

Wildfires can cause short-term and long-term disruption to the County, the Town of Paradise and the PID, as evidenced by the Camp Fire in Paradise and the resultant loss of housing stock and population in Paradise. Fires can have devastating effects on watersheds through loss of vegetation and soil erosion, which may impact the County by changing runoff patterns, increasing sedimentation, reducing natural and reservoir water storage capacity, and degrading water quality. Fires may result in casualties and can destroy buildings and infrastructure.

Although the physical damages and casualties arising from wildland-urban interface fires may be severe, it is important to recognize that they also cause significant economic impacts by resulting in a loss of function of buildings, infrastructure, and tax base. In some cases, the economic impact of this loss of services may be comparable to the economic impact of physical damages or, in some cases, even greater. Economic impacts of loss of transportation and utility services may include traffic delays/detours from road and bridge closures and loss of electric power, potable water, and wastewater services. Fires can also cause major damage to power plants and power lines needed to distribute electricity to operate facilities.

#### Assets at Risk

The following District facilities would be at risk due to wildfire:

- > PID Water Treatment Plant
- > PID Pumping Station
- Magalia Dam
- Paradise Dam
- Distribution Water Storage Tank

### **Future Development**

Wildfire risk will be taken into account when siting new District facilities. The District has sought to undertake projects that will reduce the risk of wildfire to the District and its customers. These projects include:

- > Hazard assessment study
- Upgrading backup generators throughout the District
- Running a redundant pipeline from the treatment plant to the junction box at the beginning of distribution system.
- > Upgrading B-Reservoir with steel tanks

- > Upgrading all service-lines in the District to support fire sprinklers and plumbed with a backflow device.
- > Upgrading the treatment plant and distribution system to allow maximum flow throughout the District.

## F.6 Capability Assessment

Capabilities are the programs and policies currently in place to reduce hazard impacts or that could be used to implement hazard mitigation activities. This capabilities assessment is divided into five sections: regulatory mitigation capabilities, administrative and technical mitigation capabilities, fiscal mitigation capabilities, mitigation education, outreach, and partnerships, and other mitigation efforts.

## F.6.1. Regulatory Mitigation Capabilities

Table F-5 lists regulatory mitigation capabilities, including planning and land management tools, typically used by local jurisdictions to implement hazard mitigation activities and indicates those that are in place in the District.

Table F-5 Paradise Irrigation District – Regulatory Mitigation Capabilities

Plans	Y/N Year	Does the plan/program address hazards?  Does the plan identify projects to include in the mitigation strategy?  Can the plan be used to implement mitigation actions?
Comprehensive/Master Plan	N/A	
Capital Improvements Plan	Y 2017	
Economic Development Plan	N/A	
Local Emergency Operations Plan	Y 2018	
Continuity of Operations Plan	N/A	
Transportation Plan	N/A	
Stormwater Management Plan/Program	N/A	
Engineering Studies for Streams	N/A	
Community Wildfire Protection Plan	N/A	
Other special plans (e.g., brownfields redevelopment, disaster recovery, coastal zone management, climate change adaptation)	N/A	
Building Code, Permitting, and Inspections	Y/N	Are codes adequately enforced?
Building Code	N/A	
Building Code Effectiveness Grading Schedule (BCEGS) Score	N/A	
Fire department ISO rating:	N/A	
Site plan review requirements	N/A	

Zoning ordinance	N/A
Subdivision ordinance	N/A
Floodplain ordinance	N/A
Natural hazard specific ordinance (stormwater, steep slope, wildfire)	N/A
Flood insurance rate maps	N/A
Elevation Certificates	N/A
Acquisition of land for open space and public recreation uses	N/A
Erosion or sediment control program	N/A
Other	
How can these capabilities be expande	ed and improved to reduce risk?

## Paradise Irrigation District Urban Water Management Plan (2015)

The purpose of the Paradise Irrigation District's (PID) Urban Water Management Plan (UWMP) is to inform the public and state agencies of the PID water supply availability, exposure to droughts, conservation efforts, and plans for future supply. In this plan PID shows the current supply calculations, what impacts a customer can expect during drought periods and the impacts to water supply into the future.

Urban Water Management Plans are prepared by California's urban water suppliers to support their long-term resource planning and ensure adequate water supplies are available to meet existing and future water demands. PID has been completing Urban Water Management Plans since 1986, required every five years.

State law requires water agencies to reduce the amount of water each person uses per day (Per Capita Daily Consumption, which is measured in gallons per capita per day) by 20 percent by the year 2020. PID completed calculations, which are provided in the UWMP establishing our base per capita per day (pcpd) that our 20% will be measured from. PID has made significant reductions in water uses in the last few years through pipeline replacement, leak detection, water conservation measures and public response to the statewide drought. It will be important for PID and its customers to remain diligent in their efforts to conserve and continue to use water wisely.

## Water Shortage Contingency Plan (2012)

As the water purveyor, the District must provide the minimum health and safety water needs of the community at all times. The water shortage response is designed to provide a minimum of 50% of normal supply during a severe or extended water shortage. The rationing program triggering levels shown below were established to ensure this goal is met. Although an actual shortage may occur at any time during the year, the District will use the Yield Analysis Model during the critical months of January through March to determine potential restrictions.

In Stage I shortages, customers may adjust either interior or outdoor water use (or both), in order to meet the voluntary water reduction goal.

Under Stage II and Stage III mandatory rationing programs, the District has determined that a reduction of 20% (Stage II) and 30% (Stage III) will be required. That amount of water is sufficient for essential interior water with no habit or plumbing fixture changes.

Under Stage IV mandatory rationing, which is likely to be declared only as the result of a prolonged water shortage or as a result of a disaster, the health and safety allotment is reduced to 50% of average use. This allotment still provides enough water for essential interior water use plus a minimal amount of outside use.

### Catastrophic Supply Interruption Plan

Interruptions in the District's water supply could be caused by events such as drought, fire, earthquake, flood, reservoir contamination and major power outages.

### Determine What Constitutes a Proclamation of a Water Shortage

Interruptions in the District's water supply could be caused by events such as drought, fire, earthquake, flood, reservoir contamination and major power outages.

A proclamation of water shortage can be declared by following the steps outlined in this Water Shortage Contingency Plan. An immediate proclamation will be made by the District Manager and reviewed by the Board of Directors in an emergency meeting as soon as it can be coordinated. The various stages of this plan are dependent on the severity and nature of the catastrophe and its effect on the total water supply of the District. The following is an example of events and remedies that might likely affect the District's water supply and therefore require implementation of water rationing.

- Fire- In the event of a major fire, the District's water treatment and distribution storage tanks will be operated at maximum capacity.
- Earthquake- In the event of a major earthquake where significant portions of the distribution system or treatment facilities are damaged District crews or contractors will work on isolating and re-routing water supplies. In the event that the District's raw water reservoirs are damaged beyond use, the District would activate the intertie agreement with Del Oro Water Company. An intertie with the DOWC has a maximum capacity of 1,000 gallons per minute (GPM) or 4.4 AF/day.
- Flood- Due to the terrain of the District, the possibility of flooding is quite remote.
- Reservoir Contamination- If contamination of the District's raw water supply occurs, the District would implement rationing, activate the intertie agreement and begin pumping from the "D" Tank well site.
- Major Power Outages- The District is able to operate, at full capacity, the raw water pump station and water treatment plant during power outages using a 500 KVA, diesel generator. External plumbing provisions have also been provided at the District's booster pump station to allow for portable pump hook-up.

## F.6.2. Administrative/Technical Mitigation Capabilities

Table F-6 identifies the District staff/roles responsible for activities related to mitigation and loss prevention in the District.

Table F-6 Paradise Irrigation District – Administrative and Technical Mitigation Capabilities

Administration	Y/N	Describe capability Is coordination effective?
Planning Commission	N/A	
Mitigation Planning Committee	N/A	
Maintenance programs to reduce risk (e.g., tree trimming, clearing drainage systems)	N/A	
Mutual aid agreements	N/A	
Other		
Staff	Y/N FT/PT	Is staffing adequate to enforce regulations? Is staff trained on hazards and mitigation? Is coordination between agencies and staff effective?
Chief Building Official	N/A	
Floodplain Administrator	N/A	
Emergency Manager	N/A	
Community Planner	N/A	
Civil Engineer	N/A	
GIS Coordinator	N/A	
Other		
Technical		
Warning systems/services (Reverse 911, outdoor warning signals)	N/A	
Hazard data and information	N/A	
Grant writing	N/A	
Hazus analysis	N/A	
Other		
How can these capabilities be expand	led and im	proved to reduce risk?
Many of these areas the District does not of Paradise on mitigation projects, and w		ng capabilities. The District works with the County and the Town to seek to expand that activity.

## F.6.3. Fiscal Mitigation Capabilities

Table F-7 identifies financial tools or resources that the District could potentially use to help fund mitigation activities.

Table F-7 Paradise Irrigation District – Fiscal Mitigation Capabilities

Funding Resource	Access/ Eligibility (Y/N)	Has the funding resource been used in past and for what type of activities? Could the resource be used to fund future mitigation actions?		
Capital improvements project funding	N			
Authority to levy taxes for specific purposes	Y			
Fees for water, sewer, gas, or electric services	N			
Impact fees for new development	Y			
Storm water utility fee	N			
Incur debt through general obligation bonds and/or special tax bonds	N			
Incur debt through private activities	Y			
Community Development Block Grant	Y			
Other federal funding programs	N			
State funding programs				
Other				
How can these capabilities be expanded and improved to reduce risk?				
The District will continue to pursue outside funding for mitigation related work, especially in light of the 2018 Camp Fire.				

## F.6.4. Mitigation Education, Outreach, and Partnerships

Table F-8 identifies education and outreach programs and methods already in place that could be/or are used to implement mitigation activities and communicate hazard-related information. More information can be found below the table.

Table F-8 Paradise Irrigation District – Mitigation Education, Outreach, and Partnerships

Program/Organization	Yes/No	Describe program/organization and how relates to disaster resilience and mitigation.  Could the program/organization help implement future mitigation activities?
Local citizen groups or non-profit organizations focused on environmental protection, emergency preparedness, access and functional needs populations, etc.	N	
Ongoing public education or information program (e.g., responsible water use, fire safety, household preparedness, environmental education)	Y	
Natural disaster or safety related school programs	N	
StormReady certification	N	
Firewise Communities certification	N	

Program/Organization	Yes/No	Describe program/organization and how relates to disaster resilience and mitigation. Could the program/organization help implement future mitigation activities?		
Public-private partnership initiatives addressing disaster-related issues	N			
Other				
How can these capabilities be expanded and improved to reduce risk?				
The District will continue to pursue for mitigation related outreach and partnerships with the County and Town of Paradise, especially in light of the 2018 Camp Fire.				

Continuous work on fuels reduction in the PID watershed is ongoing with assistance by Butte Fire Safe Council. In 2012, the Butte County Fire Safe Council and Paradise Irrigation District successfully partnered on three grant applications which were awarded to improve watershed and forest health in Magalia on Paradise Irrigation District Lands (PID).

The three grant projects will reduce wildfire threat by thinning small overstocked trees and brush. These projects link to four existing shaded fuel break/forest health projects. Partners have included US Forest Service Plumas National Forest, Bureau of Land Management and Cal-Fire.

The neighboring water provider, Del Oro Water Company has a limited supply of water available and none available at this time for transfer. The District does have an agreement in place with them that would provide a small amount of water available to the District in an emergency from their Paradise Pines District. The Paradise Pines District is solely served by groundwater that is limited.

## F.6.5. Other Mitigation Efforts

Water Education is provided for annually to fourth grade students in Paradise. The Creekside 6 Elementary School partners with the District to provide an annual watershed education event at the Paradise Lake.

## F.7 Mitigation Strategy

## F.7.1. Mitigation Goals and Objectives

PID adopts the hazard mitigation goals and objectives developed by the HMPC and described in Chapter 5 Mitigation Strategy.

## F.7.2. Mitigation Actions

The planning team for the District identified and prioritized the following mitigation actions based on the risk assessment. Background information and information on how each action will be implemented and administered, such as ideas for implementation, responsible office, potential funding, estimated cost, and timeline are also included. The following hazards were considered a priority for purposes of mitigation action planning:

- Dam Failure
- Drought and Water Shortage
- **Earthquake** and Liquefaction
- > Floods: Localized Stormwater
- > Severe Weather: Freeze and Winter Storm
- Severe Weather: Heavy Rain and Storms (Hail, Lightning, Wind)
- Wildfire

It should be noted that many of the projects submitted by each jurisdiction in Table 5-4 in the Base Plan benefit all jurisdictions whether or not they are the lead agency. Further, many of these mitigation efforts are collaborative efforts among multiple local, state, and federal agencies. In addition, the countywide public outreach action, as well as many of the emergency services actions, apply to all hazards regardless of hazard priority. Collectively, this multi-jurisdictional mitigation strategy includes only those actions and projects which reflect the actual priorities and capacity of each jurisdiction to implement over the next 5-years covered by this plan.

### Mitigation Actions

### Action 1. Hydraulic Modeling Pipe Replacement Program

Hazards Addressed: Drought & Water Supply; Earthquake; Wildfire

**Goals Addressed**: 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 7, 9

**Issue/Background**: 60 miles of aging steel pipe are leaking water and are vulnerable to earthquake damage due to corrosion issues. The District's primary effort at demand management is pipeline replacement. In 2003 the District began replacing 8.4 miles of pipelines with a grant from the California Department of Water resources, and also 2.3 miles with in-house resources. The District's goal is to replace 2 miles per year with in-house resources; however, this will take 30 years to complete the program. The recent pipe replacement fell short of the District's goal due to a reduction of in-house resources that include the following: 1. freezing three full-time positions, 2. a dispute with the union over temporary worker status, and 3. the workforce has been diverted to remodel the Administration building and construct major portions of the Corporation Yard replacement project.

To optimally plan transmission and distributions system improvements; such as maintaining flows and pressures during disaster events; a hydraulic model of the system is needed. The hydraulic model allows planners and designers to simulate multiple scenarios of water demands and pipeline configurations inexpensively. Additionally; the model can be used to estimate prepare emergency operations plans for use during disasters. The mitigation goal is to provide PID a tool to model the hydraulic performance of their transmission and distribution systems during normal and extreme events (such as a large wildland fire).

Water Treatment Plant upgrade: To effectively fight both structure and wildland fires; the system flows must meet minimum flow; pressure; and duration requirements. During fire flow events; the flow restrictions in portions of the distribution system contribute to low pressures; increasing the likelihood of system contamination. Keeping pressures up throughout the entire system better protects public health.

Water Treatment Plant upgrades in accordance with the hydrology study will mitigate future losses protecting lives, property and public health.

Other Alternatives: None

Existing Planning Mechanism(s) through which Action Will Be Implemented: Public Agency Capital Improvement program long-term planning and annual budgeting.

Responsible Office: Paradise Irrigation District

Priority (H, M, L): High

**Cost Estimate**: \$60,000,000: 60 miles @ \$1,000,000 per mile of PVC pipe, with diameter varying from 8-inch to 12-inch (includes engineering).

**Benefits** (Losses Avoided): Avoidance of unnecessary water losses that deplete water storage supply, increase operations costs and provides additional water to the Bay-Delta. The higher cost for unplanned pipeline repairs that damage public and private property can be avoided by replacing the steel pipes before they become problematic. Avoid loss of revenue due to the loss of unsold treated water.

To optimally plan transmission and distributions system improvements; such as maintaining flows and pressures during disaster events; a hydraulic model of the system is needed. The hydraulic model allows planners and designers to simulate multiple scenarios of water demands and pipeline configurations inexpensively. Additionally; the model can be used to estimate prepare emergency operations plans for use during disasters. The mitigation goal is to provide PID a tool to model the hydraulic performance of their transmission and distribution systems during normal and extreme events (such as a large wildland fire).

Water Treatment Plant upgrade: To effectively fight both structure or wildland fires; the system flows must meet minimum flow; pressure; and duration requirements. During fire flow events; the flow restrictions in portions of the distribution system contribute to low pressures; increasing the likelihood of system contamination. Keeping pressures up throughout the entire system better protects public health. Water Treatment Plant upgrades in accordance with the hydrology study will mitigate future losses protecting lives, property and public health.

Wildfire threat within the Town ranges from moderate to very high. The Paradise Irrigation District lists Wildfires on the LHMP Hazard Identification and Vulnerability Assessment. This project aligns with the Butte County LHMP Goals and Objectives #1 by minimizing the risk and vulnerability of the community to hazards and reduce damages and protect lives, property, and public health. Also Goal 2 to provide protection to critical facilities, infrastructure, and services from hazard impacts.

**Potential Funding**: Pay-as-you-go utilizing funding from water rates. State Revolving Fund Loans or EPA grants.

**Timeline**: To be determined based on the availability of outside funding. Currently an initial replacement goal is 2 miles of pipeline per year. An increased replacement rate schedule will be implemented should outside funding sources become available.

### Action 2. Drought Water Supply

Hazards Addressed: Drought and Water Supply

**Goals Addressed**: 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 7, 9

**Issue/Background**: The District has experienced periods of drought historically as described in the 2010 Urban Water Management Plan (UWMP). The analysis in the UWMP determined that on average the District can expect ongoing drought conditions to occur and would require cutbacks in one year in ten on average. The District has been in negotiations for many years with PG&E and the Del Oro Water Company for a drought supply project that would mitigate the District's water supply from drought.

Other Alternatives: Implement additional conservation measures not deemed to be cost effective. Adding additional groundwater sources to meet future supply needs is not feasible due to an inadequate supply in the area.

**Existing Planning Mechanism(s) through which Action Will Be Implemented**: Drought has been addressed in the District's updated Strategic Business Plan, Capital Improvement Plan, Budget, and the Urban Water Management Plan.

**Responsible Office:** Paradise Irrigation District

Priority (H, M, L): High

**Cost Estimate**: \$5,000,000

**Benefits (Losses Avoided)**: Up to \$832,500 annual revenue will be lost in a drought situation due to a reduction in water sales to normally used by the District customers, including their current water conservation efforts. This does not include the long-term impact from the customers demand reduction after loss of outside landscaping.

**Potential Funding**: Apply for State Revolving Fund Loans; EPA Grants; Water Rates; and borrow funds for the remainder of the appropriations needed.

**Timeline**: No schedule determined yet, pending completion of negotiations with PG&E and the Del Oro Water District, and the extension of water right permits.

#### Action 3. Magalia Dam Replacement

**Hazards Addressed**: Drought & Water Supply; Earthquake; Dam Failure; Flooding, Localized Flooding, Heavy Rain and Storms

**Goals Addressed**: 1, 2, 3, 4, 7, 9

Issue/Background: Paradise Irrigation District (PID) is responsible for the operation of the Magalia Dam. Geotechnical deficiencies in Magalia Dam are limiting the operational storage volumes within the reservoir. Portions of the dam embankment were constructed hydraulically in 1917 and, due to the dam being over

100 years old (typical dam lifespan is 50 years), do not meet current dam safety standards. Studies performed in 1972, 1992, 1994, and 2002 found that those hydraulic fill materials within the dam embankment could liquefy during a seismic event. To mitigate risk of failure and subsequent flood during an earthquake, the water surface of the reservoir, originally designed to be at elevation 2225.8 starting in 1996, was limited to elevation 2,200 and that elevation was further lowered to 2,199 feet in 2002, which is 26.8 feet below the original design water surface elevation and spillway and 41 feet below the dam crest. This restriction has reduced the maximum storage capacity from 2,800 acre-feet to 796 acre-feet.

It is not unusual to find that foundation and/or embankment soils for dams have susceptibility to liquefaction. Lopez, Anderson, Almaden, Calero and other dams were assessed as having a potential for failure due to liquefaction and improved to reduce those risks. Typically, mitigations for liquefaction of dam embankment soils consist of ground modifications to increase the density (consistency) of embankment soils, reduce the pore water pressures of those soils, and/or decrease deformation that might occur to embankment soils during a seismic event. Those mitigations can include mass grading (retrofit or buttress), compaction grouting, deep soil mixing, driven piles, stone columns, or combinations thereof.

Additionally, the pipe supports for the outlet pipe which connects Magalia Reservoir to the PID WTP through a tunnel in the Magalia Dam have been suspected by DSOD inspectors as being deficient. These supports have to be improved and seismically stable in order to prevent failure in an earthquake, which could cause significant flooding on its own, and also could undermine the dam from within, causing more catastrophic dam failure and significantly more flooding.

Wildfire threat within the Town ranges from moderate to very high. The Paradise Irrigation District lists Wildfires on the LHMP Hazard Identification and Vulnerability Assessment. This project aligns with the Butte County LHMP Goals and Objectives #1 by minimizing the risk and vulnerability of the community to hazards and reduce damages and protect lives, property, and public health. Also Goal 2 to provide protection to critical facilities, infrastructure, and services from hazard impacts.

**Other Alternatives**: Develop regional intertie alternatives; however, this does not mitigate the extensive damage to public and private property and loss of life that may be realized by a dam failure.

Existing Planning Mechanism(s) through which Action Will Be Implemented: Public Agency Capital Improvement program long-term planning and annual budgeting.

Responsible Office: Paradise Irrigation District;

Priority (H, M, L): High

**Cost Estimate**: \$30,000,000

**Benefits** (Losses Avoided): Avoid potential loss of life (greater than 1,000 people) within 12 miles of the dam failure. Avoid major damage the District's water treatment plant and 42-inch water transmission pipeline for the Town of Paradise. Avoid loss of the sole access to the Pines community (10,000 people) by widening the existing 2-lane road to 4-lanes to improve emergency access.

**Potential Funding**: Federal Transportation funding; Apply for State Revolving Fund Loans; EPA Grants; Water Rates; and borrow funds for the remainder of the appropriations needed.

**Timeline**: To be determined based on the availability of funding.

Action 4. Install Bladder Dam in the Paradise Lake Spillway

Hazards Addressed: Drought and Water Supply

**Goals Addressed**: 1, 2, 3, 4, 7, 9

**Issue/Background:** To increase supply to help mitigate drought the District investigated this mitigation action and determined it was feasible to install a 3-foot high bladder dam within the spillway channel at Paradise Lake. The bladder dam would provide approximately 750 acre-feet of additional storage. The feasibility was discussed with the DSD; per the DSD the chimney drain inside the dam would be raised an equivalent amount.

**Other Alternatives**: Intertie projects with PG&E, and the Del Oro Water District. The cost for an intertie alternative is estimated at 5 times the cost for this mitigation action.

Existing Planning Mechanism(s) through which Action Will Be Implemented: Environmental work necessary for this project would be partially duplicated with the District's efforts to extend the existing water rights permits. The Board of Directors deferred this project pending the completion of the permit extensions.

Responsible Office: Paradise Irrigation District

Priority (H, M, L): High

**Cost Estimate**: \$1,500,000

**Benefits** (Losses Avoided): Up to \$832,500 annual revenue will be lost in a drought situation due to a reduction in water sales normally used by the District customers, including their current water conservation efforts. This does not include the long-term impact from the customer demand reduction after loss of outside landscaping.

Potential Funding: State Revolving Fund Loans; EPA Grants; Water Rates

**Timeline**: Schedule to be determined pending the completion of the water rights permit extensions.

Action 5. Service Line Replacement

Hazards Addressed: Wildfire; Earthquake, Winter Storm

**Goals Addressed**: 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 7,9

Issue/Background: Paradise Irrigation District (PID) is responsible for providing potable and fire service water to their customers. Potable use is a fraction of the water demand compared to fire flows. To effectively fight both structure and wildland fires, the system flows must meet minimum flow, pressure, and duration requirements. Flow and pressure are a function of pipe sizes and connectivity (a looped system typically is more reliable and has less pressure losses). During fire flow events, the flow restrictions in portions of the distribution system contribute to low pressures, increasing the likelihood of system contamination. Keeping pressures up throughout the entire system better protects public health.

The area is highly susceptible to wildland fires (as demonstrated in Camp Fire, November 2018) that can cause substantial loss to life and property. Additionally, the rural nature of the area increases the response time of firefighting equipment, thereby increasing the magnitude of a fire when adequate resources arrive – thereby needing greater quantities of water.

In the aftermath of the Camp Fire; many customers will begin the process of rebuilding and will be installing fire sprinkler systems; now required by the 2016 California Residential Building Code for all construction within the Wildland-Urban Interface. Paradise Irrigation District must be able to provide the appropriate amount of flow and pressure at the service connection to support this change in code allowing residents to rebuild and increasing the tax base.

Adequate water flow and pressure reduces the likelihood of loss of life, minimizes property damage, and protects public health.

Other Alternatives: The alternative would be to add a supplementary second line adjacent to the original line, in order to increase overall flow to the structure. This would result in needing to add an additional service lateral connection to the main, as well as connecting it to the connection at the meter. It would also result in a wider trench and additional displacement of soil. This would be inefficient and unnecessarily complicated.

**Existing Planning Mechanism(s) through which Action Will Be Implemented**: The Butte County Transportation Division must determine the optimal way to improve the Skyway road crossing the dam before the design of the dam can proceed.

Responsible Office: Paradise Irrigation District; Butte County Transportation Division

Priority (H, M, L): High

**Cost Estimate**: \$65,000,000

**Benefits (Losses Avoided)**: Avoid potential loss of life (greater than 1,000 people) within the town of Paradise. Avoid major damage the District's water distribution system.

**Potential Funding**: Pay-as-you-go utilizing funding from water rates. State Revolving Fund Loans or EPA grants.

**Timeline**: To be determined based on the availability of funding.

### Action 6. B-Reservoir Replacement

Hazards Addressed: Wildfire; Earthquake

**Goals Addressed**: 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 7, 9

**Issue/Background**: The Paradise Irrigation District provides potable water to the Town of Paradise with 10,507 connections, serving a population of 26,800. The distribution system includes 7 distribution zones (Zones A through G), one water treatment plant, and five storage reservoirs ranging in size from just under 1 million gallons to 2 million gallons capacity. All of the reservoirs are steel tank reservoirs, with the exception of Reservoir B, which is an earth embankment lined reservoir with a flexible membrane cover. Reservoir B was designed to store 3 million gallons (MG) of potable water, however, storage capacity is limited to 2 MG due to hydraulic considerations. Treated, potable water is transferred from the PID water treatment plant (WTP) via a 12,500 42-inch gravity water transmission main to Zone B and Reservoir B.

Reservoir A is supplied potable water from Zone B via pump stations.

Reservoir B is a 3 MG earth embankment reservoir lined with reinforced polypropylene and with a floating high-density polyethylene (HDPE) cover. The reservoir was constructed in 1984 and the cover and line were replaced in 2005. Floating cover reservoirs are subject to many issues related to the integrity of the cover---tears, contamination, and failures of other systems that all pose a threat of drinking water contamination. The cover is also subject to vandalism by trespassers and wildlife; it gathers rainwater, and the sump pump installed to drain the rainwater constantly requires maintenance. Maintenance must also be scheduled regularly to remove debris; as debris accumulates, it attracts vectors (e.g. mosquitos) and leads to decay and detritus sitting on the cover of the drinking water reservoir. As the only reservoir that directly feeds Zone B (21% of customers) and Zone A (12% of customers), it is a critical point in the distribution system that does not have any redundancy, and the WTP pumping conditions make it reliant on Reservoir B to deliver water through the transmission main, impacting other zones and residents in the event of Reservoir B failing. See Reservoirs' Schematic under Tab 15, which shows Reservoir B feeds the entire District distribution system by gravity and Zone A through Pump Station A.

Total storage capacity for each zone must include sufficient fire storage. Paradise is in a wildland interface area and, in support of wildland firefighting, PID provides water storage for use in fighting wildfires should they enter the service area. fire storage volume is intended to be available in all zones, at all times (including during peak demand). Prior to the Camp Fire of 2018, the largest fire in recent history in Paradise was the Camp Fire of 2008. On July 8, 2008 the fire increased in sized by 17,000 acres in one day (source: CalFire, "2008 June Fire Siege," pg. 61 and noted on page 18 in the PID Reservoir B Replacement Conceptual Design Report, August 2017), destroying 50 homes only one month after the Humboldt Fire had destroyed 20 homes in Paradise and approximately 75 homes in the Chico area. Reservoir storage levels for reservoirs A, B, C, and D and plant flow data were analyzed for the week of the 2008 Camp Fire to determine system demand during the fire. The calculated hourly system demand and the resulting daily system demand during the week of the 2008 Camp Fire show the 24-hour firefighting period of July 8, 2008 at noon to July 9, 2008 showed a 4 MG increase in system demand.

This 4.0 MG increase is attributed to firefighting efforts within Paradise using fire hydrant flow data. In order to determine needed fire storage requirements, the following firefighting conditions and associated storage requirements were considered:

- 1. Actual Usage during the 2008 Camp Fire.
- 2. A "Model" wildfire which requires two hydrants be run at 1,000 gallons per minute (gpm) for 24 hours.
- 3. A single commercial structure fire which requires 3,000 gpm for 3 hours.
- 4. A single residential fire which requires 1,500 gpm of firefighting flow for 2 hours.

Based on the regulatory minimum water storage requirements and the fire storage calculation using the above parameters, the total current available storage and minimum water storage requirements by zone was tabulated. According to the Conceptual Design Report prepared by Water Works Engineering in 2017, there is a total storage deficiency in Zone B and a usable storage deficiency in both Zone A and Zone B. Further analysis using operating data and reservoir levels for the peak week of June 30 - July 2013 were examined. This data shows similar deficiencies during peak periods during a drought year, with only 0.66 MG of usable water in Reservoir B, falling 2.2 MG short of the target amount of 2.88 MG.

According to a news article published by Bay Area News Group December 2, 2018 (See Tab 15), since 1999 13 large wildfires have burned in the 153,000 acre footprint of the recent 2018 Camp Fire, including the Bloomer (1999), Bucks (1999), Doe Mill (1999), Concow (2000), Highway 70 (2001), Poe (2001), Skyway (2002 & 2006), Honey (2007), BTU Lightning Complex (2008), Camp Fire (2008), Humboldt (2008), Ninety Nine (2016), and Saddle (2016). Not all of these were declared national disasters, but they all exceeded 300 acres.

The proposed project is to construct an additional 2.5 MG above ground, steel tank reservoir to support fire flow storage requirements and storage needs during drought years. This project also supports water quality protection by eliminating the risks associated with the flexible membrane cover.

**Other Alternatives**: The construction of new water reservoir tanks is commonly constructed of either prestressed concrete or welded steel. This alternative would be to use prestressed concrete tank. Advantages include:

- 1. Prestressed concrete tanks do not require coatings, and therefore do not require the maintenance of recoating.
- 2. Concrete tanks can be created to be narrower and taller than steel tanks, if needed, however, this site does not require narrower tanks and the tank height is limited by the WTP hydraulics.
- 3. The tank can be partially buried.

Negatives for this alternative include:

1. Prestressed concrete tanks take longer to construct than steel tanks.

- 2. Prestressed concrete tanks must be NSF-61 compliant concrete, since the concrete is in contact with drinking water. NSF-61 compliant concrete is not commonly available and the rural location would likely demand a premium price.
- 3. Prestressed concrete tanks require more significant subgrade earthwork preparation than steel tanks, and are more sensitive to differential settlement conditions. This adds time and expense to construction.

Existing Planning Mechanism(s) through which Action Will Be Implemented: The District has plans to implement this project.

**Responsible Office**: Paradise Irrigation District;

Priority (H, M, L): High

**Cost Estimate**: \$15,000,000

**Benefits (Losses Avoided)**: Avoid potential loss of life (greater than 1,000 people) within the town of Paradise. Avoid major damage the District's water distribution system.

**Potential Funding**: Pay-as-you-go utilizing funding from water rates. State Revolving Fund Loans or EPA grants.

**Timeline**: To be determined based on the availability of funding.

### Action 7. A-Zone Pipeline and Generator

Hazards Addressed: Drought and Water Supply

**Goals Addressed**: 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 7, 9

**Issue/Background:** The Paradise Irrigation District (PID) provides drinking water to the community of Paradise located in Butte County, California. The PID has multiple potential risks from flooding, earthquakes, severe weather, fire, and power outages. As a result, the PID has evaluated its infrastructure for potential hazards and identified priority capital improvements necessary to mitigate such risks to the community's water supply. The priority infrastructure identified for this project are: 1) Re-align the 42" Raw Water Supply Pipeline, 2) Alternate, emergency treated water transmission pipeline and A Zone Pump Station, and 3) the Water Treatment Plant Back-up Power Supply.

The Raw Water Supply Pipeline currently crosses the Little Butte Creek supported by three (3) concrete pillars. These concrete pillars are at least as old as the pipeline, which was put into service in 1955. Prior to the pipeline, a wooden flume was in its place and it is possible that these concrete supports were used to support this flume prior to 1955. This critical facility is at risk of damage by either earthquake or flood due to the condition of the un-reinforced concrete support piers, the age and the condition of the raw water pipe, and the fact it crosses a creek that is subject to rapid increases in water volumes makes this facility highly vulnerable to seismic and or flooding events. Furthermore, this pipeline crosses the creek downstream from the Magalia Dam, which has been evaluated and characterized by the California Division of Safety of Dams

(DSOD) as the "worst dam" in the state of California. The concern is damage may occur to either the unreinforced concrete supports and/or to the pipeline should another flood event and/or earthquake occur in the future. The current configuration and condition of the pipe and the concrete supports puts the raw water pipeline at risk for a total loss. If this pipeline were to be damaged, the entire Town of Paradise population would be without water until the pipeline could be repaired or an alternate temporary line be installed. Depending on the circumstances of the disaster, this effort may be hindered due to rushing water through the creek and the overtopping of the Magalia Dam as was experienced in 1997, further increasing the likelihood and duration of a water outage to the entire population. Had this pipeline failed in 1997, it is unclear what recourse the District would have had given the flood conditions.

A 16" transmission pipeline from the water treatment plant to the "A" zone section of the District's service area is needed to provide an alternative supply of water to the District's service area. Currently, only one transmission 42" pipeline from the water treatment plant provides all of the Town's treated water via Zone "B". In the event that this pipeline fails, there is no alternative pipeline to deliver the water resulting in a District-wide outage. Furthermore, water service to the District's "A" pressure zone is currently pumped from "B" zone by Pump Station Number 2. If this pump station, or its ancillary facilities, fail all customers will experience a water outage. This pipeline will also allow the District to distribute water more efficiently to the "A" zone portion of the District and improve fire flow to this area of the District. Located in the foothills, the Town of Paradise has a high fire risk (see CalFire map of the Town of Paradise). Additionally, the District's only transmission line is predominantly located along a steep embankment and would be difficult to access in the event of a landslide. Damage to the pipeline itself from fire is not likely, but to the pumping facility, storage tank, or landslide following a fire are potential risks (see 42-inch Transmission Pipeline Location Map).

The Town of Paradise experiences frequent power outages resulting from storms, high winds, and forest trees, without outages averaging six per year and durations of up to 4-6 hours. The Water Treatment Plant is also at risk for flooding, due to its location near the Little Butte Creek and Magalia Reservoir. During periods of power outages, the District issues a community order to reduce water use and if the outage persists, a boil water notice would be required, and the District could run out of water if the plant were without power for 24 hours during the warmer months.

**Other Alternatives**: Construct a water treatment plant and pumping station from Oroville Lake to serve water to the entire Paradise Irrigation Customer base.

**Existing Planning Mechanism(s) through which Action Will Be Implemented**: Pay-as-you-go utilizing funding from water rates. State Revolving Fund Loans or EPA grants.

Responsible Office: Paradise Irrigation District

**Priority (H, M, L)**: High

**Cost Estimate**: \$11,500,000

Benefits (Losses Avoided): In order to reduce and potentially eliminate the risk to the raw water line, the District will abandon the current pipeline crossing and install a new, 36" raw water pipe aligned along the roadway so it does not cross the creek, which will alleviate any potential damage to the pipeline itself and/or

from the concrete supports being damaged by a future flood or seismic activity. By eliminating the creek crossing at this lower point downstream of the Magalia Dam, the threat of damage due to flooding will be greatly reduced if not eliminated. See the attached photos of the existing and new alignments, and the site plan.

The installation of the alternate 16" transmission pipeline and pump station will allow the District to continue to distribute water throughout this District in the event that the transmission main pipeline or the pumping and/or tank suffers a failure. This is an essential activity, because if only the pump station fails, at a minimum 10% of the District (Zone A) will not receive water; and if the main pipeline is damaged, all of the District will suffer a water outage once the storage tanks drain. This pipeline is also important for fire flow, because if the is power outage that affects pumping capabilities while there is a fire, pressure for fire flow will diminish.

The new, emergency generator will be at least a 1600 kW, diesel generator with an enclosure. This generator will provide 100% of the power needed to operate the water treatment plant and also be of sufficient capacity to provide emergency power into the future to allow for future expansion for the useful life of the generator (19 years). Given the age and the strain on the existing generator, there is potential for it to fail when needed most. Power outages occur, on average, six times per year; and often for extended periods of time (e.g. more than 4 hours). The current generator has also been "grandfathered" for use and only for emergency and maintenance purposes due to its inability to meet current air quality standards—use is limited to 90 hours/year. The new generator will meet current environmental standards.

Potential Funding: State Revolving Fund Loans; EPA Grants; Water Rates

**Timeline**: To be determined based on the availability of funding.

#### Action 8. Water Shed Fuel Reduction

Hazards Addressed: Wildfire, Drought, Severe Weather, Extreme Heat, Severe Weather: Wind

**Goals Addressed**: 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 7, 9

**Issue/Background**: Paradise Irrigation District has 389 acres within the project area, located around the Magalia Reservoir and Little Butte Creek. The property has multiple vegetation types including: Mixed Conifer, Fir/Cedar/Oak, Grey Pine/Live Oak, and Serpentine. The current stocking level for the property is approx. 385 trees per acre, with about 270 (~70%) being 10" DBH or less. About 108 trees per acre are

10" DBH or larger. There are approx. 8 snags per acre under 10" DBH and 5 snags per acre 10" DBH and larger, which is a slightly less average than the rest of the Magalia plan area. Therefore, throughout PIDs land it is estimated that there are currently 1,945 10" DBH and larger standing dead trees. There are also less diseased trees per acre on PIDs land than the project areas average, with close to 80 trees being diseased. The expected conifer mortality is about 1 tree 10" DBH or larger per two acres. This means that about 195 conifers 10" DBH and larger may die in per year. Paradise Irrigation District has 59 acres of Hazard Zone in the project, where vulnerable trees are within 150 feet of houses and infrastructure, posing a health and safety risk. This means roughly 295 10" DBH and larger dead trees are located in the hazard areas of their property. There are also approx. 12 diseased trees in the PID Hazard Zone. Expected conifer mortality of

trees 10" DBH and larger in this zone is about 31 trees per year. There is an average of 6.4 tons per acre of dead, downed woody debris located throughout PIDs land holdings.

**Project Description**: Fuel reduction treatments should remove trees and snags below 10" DBH until the canopy cover reaches 70%. Smaller diameter trees that are in a suppressed or intermediate crown position (the tree is being overtopped by taller, more mature trees and doesn't receive direct sunlight throughout the majority of its crown) should be targeted first. Leave trees should be pruned up to 12-16 feet or until 1/3 the live crown has been removed for smaller trees. With the stand aging it is vital to make sure there are trees available to regenerate the overstory once mature trees start dying.

**Other Alternatives**: Prescribed burns were also considered as an additional treatment method, particularly for Starthistle.

**Existing Planning Mechanism(s) through which Action Will Be Implemented**: Magalia Forest Management Plan and CEQA.

Responsible Office/Partners: Paradise Irrigation District and Butte County Fire Safe Council

**Cost Estimate**: \$5,000,000

**Benefits** (Losses Avoided): Over \$50 million estimated valuation of structures within a 2-mile radius of the project area and water quality issues for the customers of Paradise Irrigation District.

**Potential Funding**: Paradise Irrigation District in-kind labor, volunteer labor, and the use of CA Conservation Corps and/or Alliance for Work Force Development crews as local match.

**Timeline**: 36 months implementation period

**Project Priority**: High

### Action 9. Backup Portable Generators

**Hazards Addressed**: Flooding and Localized Flooding, Earthquake, Wildfire, Dam Failure, Severe Weather, Power Outages

**Goals Addressed**: 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 7, 9

**Issue/Background**: Backup generation is the main way in which the District maintains continued function of its critical facilities. Currently the District has only one portable generator that can be used in case of power outage. It is housed at the District office. In the instance of a widespread and prolonged power outage there is a risk that additional power generation would be needed at facilities that do not have backup generation or current backup generation fails. Additional generators would mitigate some of the risk of a prolonged outage.

**Project Description**: Purchase additional portable backup generators.

Other Alternatives: Install permanent backup generation at the District main office and other critical

facilities without permanent backup power generation.

Existing Planning Mechanism(s) through which Action Will Be Implemented: Unknown

Responsible Office/Partners: Paradise Irrigation District

**Cost Estimate:** \$500,000

Benefits (Losses Avoided): The District would not experience a depressurization of distribution system, lose the ability to treat water for the Town of Paradise, and the loss of communication between the treatment plant and distribution system tanks

Potential Funding: General funds

**Timeline**: When funding is available.

Project Priority: High

Earthquake Vulnerability Assessment on Water Distribution Infrastructure Action 10.

Hazards Addressed: Earthquake and Liquefaction

**Goals Addressed**: 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 7, 9

Issue/Background: California has high susceptibility to earthquake events. Evaluate Agency infrastructure located in fault line and seismically active areas

**Project Description:** Overlay fault line and seismic activity maps with our infrastructure maps to evaluate a predictability curve. Potentially a project that could be completed by a U.C. or Cal State Engineering program.

Other Alternatives: N/A

**Existing Planning Mechanisms through which Action will be implemented:** 

**Responsible Office**: Paradise Irrigation District

**Priority (H, M, L)**: Low

Cost Estimate: Approximately \$500,000 Potential Funding: Split between the agency and a FEMA Hazard Mitigation Grant

Benefits (avoided Losses): Understand vulnerable areas and ensure our system is capable of withstanding significant seismic/earthquake events

**Schedule**: When funding is available.



# **Exhibit B – Recent Water Conservation Programs**





# PARADISE IRRIGATION DISTRICT

### RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

### RESOLUTION NO. 2014-03 ADOPTING A WATER CONSERVATION PROGRAM

WHEREAS, article X, section 2 of the California Constitution declares that waters of the State are to be put to beneficial use, that waste, unreasonable use, or unreasonable method of use of water be prevented, and that water be conserved for the public welfare; and

WHEREAS, regulation of the time of certain water use, manner of certain water use, method of application of water for certain uses, and installation and use of water-saving devices provide an effective and immediately available means of conserving water; and

WHEREAS, California Water Code sections 375 et seq. empower any public entity which supplies water at retail or wholesale to adopt and enforce a water conservation program to reduce the quantity of water used by those within its service area after holding a public hearing and making appropriate findings of necessity for the adoption of a water conservation program; and

WHEREAS, the District, as an urban retail water supplier, is mandated pursuant to SB7x-7 to, among other requirements, reduce per capita water consumption 20% by 2020; and

WHEREAS, given historically dry conditions existing within the District's watershed in 2013 and continuing for much of the 2014 winter season, the District has determined that additional water conservation, in addition to those mandated by SB7x-7, is needed to conserve the District's water supplies for the remainder of 2014 and, potentially into 2015 and beyond; and

WHEREAS, careful water management that includes active water conservation measures, particularly in times of drought is essential to ensure a reliable minimum supply of water to meet current and future water supply needs; and

WHEREAS, the adoption and enforcement of a comprehensive water conservation program will allow Paradise Irrigation District to delay or avoid declaring a water shortage emergency pursuant to Water Code section 350; and

WHEREAS, the adoption and enforcement of a water conservation program is necessary to manage Paradise Irrigation District's water supply to avoid or minimize the effects of drought within Paradise Irrigation District and to ensure a reliable and sustainable minimum supply of water for the public health, safety, and welfare.

WHEREAS, on January 17, 2014, the Governor of California proclaimed the existence of a statewide drought state of emergency; and

WHEREAS, on April 2, 2014, Paradise Irrigation District held a public hearing and demonstrated the necessity for the adoption of a water conservation program; and

WHEREAS, on April 2, 2014, Paradise Irrigation District's reservoir storage was at 82% of its historical average; and

WHEREAS, Paradise Irrigation District's 2008 Urban Water Management Plan and subsequent updates have confirmed that the District must operate in a perpetual state of drought until the District develops or acquires a reliable drought water supply;

WHEREAS, water conserved by the District's customers will be carried over in storage for public health and safety uses in future years;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board of Directors of Paradise Irrigation District does hereby adopt this "Water Conservation Program for Paradise Irrigation District" as follows:

- 1. The Board of Directors finds the above recitals are true and incorporate them by this reference as findings; and
- 2. This resolution and the conservation measures herein are effective immediately upon adoption pursuant to Water Code section 376; and
- 3. Pursuant to Water Code section 376 and Government Code section 6061, Paradise Irrigation District shall publish in a newspaper of general circulation this resolution, or a summary, adopting a water conservation program within 10 days after its adoption and publicize its enactment on the District's website and in billing correspondence with the District's customers; and
- 4. This resolution establishes mandatory conservation measures to be implemented immediately and at such other times when, in the opinion of the Board of Directors, such measures are necessary for the preservation of public health and safety standards. The Board finds that the mandatory conservation measures will be in place until the earlier of (a) suspension by the Board of Directors; or (b) when Paradise Reservoir next fills and spills. The mandatory conservation measures may be imposed at a future time by majority action of the Board of Directors at a public meeting convened in accordance with the Brown Act (Government Code §§ 54950 et seq.).
- 5. The provisions of this resolution are not intended to limit uses of water necessary to protect public health and safety or for essential government services, such as police, fire and other similar emergency services; and
- 6. Violations of this Water Conservation Plan will be considered waste and an unreasonable use of water. The following mandatory conservation measures are effective immediately and at such other times as determined by the Board of Directors:
- a. Watering Hours and Duration. Irrigation watering is prohibited between the hours of 10:00 a.m. and 8:00 p.m., and irrigation systems are limited to no more than 15 minutes of watering per day per station. These restrictions do not apply to the limited use of a hand-held bucket or similar container, a hand-held hose equipped with a positive self-closing water shut-off nozzle or device, an irrigation system that uses stream rotor sprinklers with an application rate of less than one-half inch per hour, very low-flow irrigation systems where no emitter produces more than two gallons of water per hour, or to commercial nurseries and growers. In addition, irrigation for the purpose of installing and germinating new lawns or landscaping is exempt from these restrictions for a period not to exceed three weeks, unless the General Manager gives written permission to a water user for an extension beyond three weeks due to unique circumstances.

- b. **Excessive Water Flow or Runoff**. Watering in a manner that, in the opinion of the District, results in overspray or excessive runoff onto paved or hardscaped areas is prohibited.
- c. Washing Hard or Paved Surfaces. Washing of hard or paved surfaces, including without limitation sidewalks, walkways, driveways, parking areas, tennis courts, patios, roofs, alleys and other hard surfaces, is prohibited except when necessary to alleviate safety or sanitary hazards or as surface preparation for the application of any architectural coating or painting. All such permitted washing must be done by use of a hand-held bucket or similar container, a hand-held hose equipped with a positive self-closing water shut-off device, a low-volume high-pressure cleaning machine, or a low-volume high-pressure water broom.
- d. **Obligation to Fix Leaks**. Leaks in distribution, irrigation, or plumbing systems on the customer's side of the meter must be promptly repaired after discovery, and in no event more than one week after receiving notice from the Paradise Irrigation District.
- e. Water Fountains and Decorative Water Features. Water fountains and decorative water features must use a water recirculation system.
- f. **Limits on Washing Vehicles**. Washing any automobile, truck, van, bus, motorcycle, boat, or any other vehicle is restricted to the use of a hand-held bucket or similar container, or a hand-held hose equipped with a positive self-closing water shut-off nozzle or device and in accordance with conservation measure 5(c), above. This provision does not apply to a commercial car washing facility.
- g. **Drinking Water Served Upon Request**. Eating or drinking establishments, including restaurants, hotels, cafés, cafeterias, bars, or other public places where food or drinks are sold are prohibited from providing drinking water to any customer unless expressly requested.
- h. Commercial Lodging Establishment Daily Linen Services. Hotels, motels, and other commercial lodging establishments must provide customers the option of not having towels and linen laundered daily. Commercial lodging establishments must prominently display notice of this option in each guest room.
- i. Restaurants Required to Use Water Conserving Spray Valves. Eating or drinking establishments, including restaurants, hotels, cafés, cafeterias, bars, or other public places where food or drinks are sold must utilize water conserving nozzles on pre-rinse spray valves.
- j. Commercial Car Wash Facilities. Commercial car wash facilities may not use or permit the use of any water to wash any car, truck, boat, trailer, bus, recreation vehicle, camper, or any other vehicle, or any portion thereof, except by the use of the equipment provided by the facility.
- k. **Outdoor Residential Watering Restrictions**. Watering or irrigating of lawns, landscaping, or other vegetated areas is limited based on the following schedule: Properties whose street address bears a final digit that is an odd number may water or irrigate when the day of the month is an odd number. Properties whose street address bears a final digit that is an even number may water or irrigate when the day of the month is an even number. Watering and irrigating will be prohibited on the 31st day of any month that has 31 days.

This provision does not apply to landscape irrigation zones that exclusively use very low-flow irrigation system in which no emitter produces more than two (2) gallons of water per hour. This provision also does not apply to watering or irrigating by use of a hand-held bucket or similar container, a hand-held hose equipped with a positive self-closing water shut-off nozzle or device, or for very short periods of time for the express purpose of adjusting or repairing an irrigation system.

- 1. Voluntary 20% Reduction in Water Use by All Customers. In addition to implementing the foregoing mandatory conservation measures, Customers are asked to implement measures within their households and businesses to reduce per capita water use by 20% from 2013 consumption. Water saving tips are available at www.paradiseirrigation.com or by contacting District staff at 877-4971.
- m. **Rainy Days**. No water, sprinkling or irrigating shall take place on, or one day after days with measureable local rainfall.
- n. **Reporting Water Waste**. Paradise Irrigation District shall maintain a program for residents to report waste of water throughout the District boundaries. District staff will investigate all reports of water waste.
- 7. The District reserves the right to pursue any and all available remedies for violations of the requirements of this Water Conservation Program, including without limitation:
- a. Each violation of this resolution may be prosecuted as a misdemeanor punishable by imprisonment in the county jail for not more than thirty (30) days or by a fine not exceeding \$1,000, or by both as provided in Water Code section 377.
  - b. Each day that a violation of this resolution occurs is a separate offense.
- c. Repeat offenders of this Water Conservation Program may, in the discretion of the District, be placed on the District's highest tiered rate for water usage or be subject to other administrative penalties pursuant to the District's rules and regulations and applicable law.

Passed and adopted by the Board of Directors of the Paradise Irrigation District at a special meeting of said Board on this  $2^{nd}$  day of April, 2014, by the following vote:

AYES:

Directors Sep Carola, Ken Hunt, Doug Flesher, Bill Kellogg, and Larry Duncan

NOES:

None

ABSTAIN:

None

ABSENT:

None

PARADISE IRRIGATION DISTRICT

Larry & Duncan, President

ATTEST:

Georgeanna Borrayo, Secretary



# PARADISE IRRIGATION DISTRICT

### RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

### RESOLUTION NO. 2015-04 AMENDING AND READOPTING A WATER CONSERVATION PROGRAM

WHEREAS, article X, section 2 of the California Constitution declares that waters of the State are to be put to beneficial use, that waste, unreasonable use, or unreasonable method of use of water be prevented, and that water be conserved for the public welfare; and

WHEREAS, regulation of the time of certain water use, manner of certain water use, method of application of water for certain uses, and installation and use of water-saving devices provide an effective and immediately available means of conserving water; and

WHEREAS, California Water Code sections 375 et seq. empower any public entity which supplies water at retail or wholesale to adopt and enforce a water conservation program to reduce the quantity of water used by those within its service area after holding a public hearing and making appropriate findings of necessity for the adoption of a water conservation program; and

WHEREAS, on January 17, 2014, the Governor of California proclaimed the existence of a statewide drought state of emergency and asked all Californians to reduce their water usage by 20%; and

WHEREAS, the District answered the Governor's call for a 20% reduction in water use by achieving a 21% cumulative reduction in use in 2014, as compared to 2013, and was one of the few suppliers in California to respond to and exceed the Governor's request; and

WHEREAS, Paradise Irrigation District (District), as an urban retail water supplier, is mandated pursuant to SB7x-7 to, among other requirements, reduce per capita water consumption 20% by 2020; and

WHEREAS, the District has prepared and amended from time to time an urban water management plan that, among other things, sets forth the District's drought contingency plan and process to analyze the District's surface water storage levels on April 1 of each year to determine if drought conditions exist and water shortage contingency stages should be enacted; and

WHEREAS, on April 1, 2015, the District duly noticed and conducted a public hearing at a special meeting of its Board of Directors to receive public input and to analyze and consider then-existing water supply conditions of the District which were determined to be 10,449 acre-feet of stored supply, equating to 85% of average and 85% of reservoir storage capacity; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with the District's urban water management plan the aforementioned water supply conditions would have triggered Rationing Stage I, which is the lowest (least restrictive) conservation stage in the District's urban water management plan; and

WHEREAS, during the last eighteen years, the District's storage capacity on April 1 equaled or was less than its levels on April 1, 2015, one time, and the District in the succeeding year, was able to supply adequate water for its customers; and

WHEREAS, since April 1, 2015, the District storage capacity has decreased only 275 acre-feet. WHEREAS, in the absence of any state mandate, the District in accordance with its urban water management plan would be implementing a voluntary 15% reduction in potable water deliveries to all District customers; and

WHEREAS, on April 1, 2015, Governor Brown issued Executive Order B-29-15, which includes in paragraph 2, a mandate that the State Water Resources Control Board impose a 25% reduction in potable urban water usage through February 28, 2016; and

WHEREAS, given the Governor's April 1, 2015, Executive Order, the District at its public hearing on April 1, 2015, amended its proposed Water Conservation Program to require a 25% reduction in deliveries to customers; and

WHEREAS, the District's 2014 Water Conservation Program and April 1, 2015 Water Conservation Program are incorporated herein by this reference; and

WHEREAS, on April 7, 2015, the State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) released a Draft Regulatory Framework for implementing paragraph 2 of the Governor's April 1, 2015, Executive Order that, among other requirements, would have mandated the District to achieve a 35% reduction in residential gallons delivered per capita per day (R-GPCD) compared to September, 2013 usage; and

WHEREAS, on April 13, 2015, the District timely submitted written comments to the State Water Board's Draft Regulatory Framework, which are incorporated herein by this reference; and

WHEREAS, on April 20, 2015, the State Water Board released for public comment draft urban conservation regulations that, among other requirements, mandated the District to achieve a 36% reduction in R-GPCD from June 1, 2015, through February, 2016 as compared to certain months in 2013 usage; and

WHEREAS, on April 22, 2015, the District timely submitted written comments to the draft urban conservation regulations, which are incorporated herein by this reference; and

WHEREAS, on April 28, 2015, the State Water Board released for public comment revised draft urban conservation regulations that, among other requirements, continued to mandate that the District achieve a 36% reduction in R-GPCD; and

WHEREAS, on May 4, 2015, the District timely submitted written comments to the revised draft urban conservation regulations, which are incorporated herein by this reference; and

WHEREAS on May 5, 2015, the District, through its Legal Counsel, offered testimony at the State Water Board's meeting at which the urban conservation emergency regulations were ultimately adopted (hereinafter Regulations); and

WHEREAS, the District's written and oral comments were largely ignored by the State Water Board and the Regulations were adopted without substantial amendments; and

WHEREAS, the District's current available water supply does not necessitate a 36% reduction in R-GPCD; and

WHEREAS, the District, as set forth in its comment letters, believes there are substantial procedural and substantive deficiencies in the Regulations and the record does not support the Regulations that the District is now mandated to impose on its customers; and

WHEREAS, nonetheless, the District through this amendment and readoption of its Water Conservation Program, intends to utilize its best efforts to comply with the Regulations' mandates applicable to the District; and

WHEREAS, though the District intends on complying with the mandates in the Regulations, it does so specifically reserving all rights, claims and defenses available to the District; and

WHEREAS, the District is concerned that a 36% across-the-board reduction in R-GPCD to its customers would pose problems maintaining minimum health and safety standards, including without limitation, to District customers that currently use 55 gallons per person per day or less, to customers that utilize outdoor irrigation as part of a defensible space program, and to the community of Paradise as a whole in preventing and mitigating potentially catastrophic damages to life and property from wildfires given the District's geographic location in a Very High Fire Hazard Severity Zone; and

WHEREAS, the District and its customers achieved a 21% reduction in R-GPCD as compared to 2013 by implementing various wise water use practices and programs as set forth in the District's 2014 Water Conservation Program; and

WHEREAS, the District's 2014 Water Conservation Program balanced the District's need and interest in conserving water with the District's customers' need to utilize water for beneficial use and for a variety of health and safety uses; and

WHEREAS, the District's customers are asked to redouble conservation efforts that were successful in 2014 and to immediately implement new and expanded conservation measures to achieve an additional 15% reduction in R-GPCD, so that cumulatively, the District will comply with the 36% reduction in R-GPCD as mandated by the Regulations; and

WHEREAS, in 2014 the District's top 20% of residential customers used 47% of the District's total residential water deliveries (hereinafter "High Residential Users"); and

WHEREAS, in 2014 High Residential Users' R-GPCD value, on average, was 319 gallons per person per day (assuming District average of 2.6 persons per household), which is far in excess of other customers within the District, and far in excess of levels necessary to maintain health and safety standards; and

WHEREAS, in comparison, the District's other customers used, on average, 90 gallons per person per day (with the same 2.6 person per household assumption), and the District's bottom 20% of residential customers used, on average, 40 gallons per person per day (with an assumption of 2 persons per household); and

WHEREAS, the District delivers approximately 5% of its potable water supply to commercial agricultural operations (hereinafter "Agricultural Users"); and

WHEREAS, the District delivers approximately 12.5% of its potable water supply to the Town of Paradise, schools, businesses, Paradise Park & Recreation District and hospitals within its service area (hereinafter "Institutional Users"); and

WHEREAS, the District delivers less than 5% of its potable water supply to customers using less than or equal to 5 units per month, and the District finds that such usage cannot be reduced without unreasonable impacts to health and safety needs for water (hereinafter "Low Residential Users"); and

WHEREAS, the District believes that it can comply with the mandates in the Regulations through a combination of actions, including requiring all District customers to implement mandatory conservation measures (as set forth below); requiring High Residential Users to reduce their usage by 50% compared to 2013; requiring Agricultural Users to reduce their usage by 20% compared to 2013; and requiring Institutional Users to reduce their usage by 25% compared to 2013; and

WHEREAS, the District finds that adherence to this amended Water Conservation Program and the required measures and conservation targets will balance the District's need to conserve water for possible continuation of the drought in 2016 and beyond and the District's customers' need to use water in 2015 for beneficial uses, including health and safety demands; and

WHEREAS, the adoption and enforcement of a comprehensive water conservation program will allow Paradise Irrigation District to delay or avoid declaring a water shortage emergency pursuant to Water Code section 350; and

WHEREAS, the amendment and readoption and enforcement of a water conservation program is necessary to comply with the mandated actions set forth in the Regulations; and

WHEREAS, on May 20, 2015, Paradise Irrigation District held a public hearing and demonstrated the necessity for the amendments and re-adoption of its water conservation program to comply with state mandates; and

WHEREAS, water conserved by the District's customers will be carried over in storage for the beneficial use of the District's customers, including possible public health and safety uses of District customers in future years;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board of Directors of Paradise Irrigation District does hereby amend and readopt its "Water Conservation Program for Paradise Irrigation District" as follows:

- 1. The Board of Directors finds the above recitals are true and incorporates them by this reference as findings; and
- 2. This resolution and the conservation measures herein are effective immediately upon adoption pursuant to Water Code section 376; and
- 3. Pursuant to Water Code section 376 and Government Code section 6061, Paradise Irrigation District shall publish in a newspaper of general circulation this resolution, or a summary, adopting this revised water conservation program within 10 days after its adoption and publicize its enactment on the District's website and in billing correspondence with the District's customers; and
- 4. This resolution establishes mandatory conservation measures to be implemented immediately by all District customers and at such other times when, in the opinion of the Board of Directors, such

measures are necessary for the preservation of public health and safety standards. The Board finds that these mandatory conservation measures constitute an equitable distribution of water given the current drought conditions. The Board finds that the mandatory conservation measures will be in place until the earlier of (a) suspension of this Program by the Board of Directors; or (b) when Paradise Reservoir next fills and spills. The mandatory conservation measures may be imposed at a future time by majority action of the Board of Directors at a public meeting convened in accordance with the Brown Act (Government Code §§ 54950 et seq.).

- 5. The provisions of this resolution are not intended to limit uses of water necessary to protect public health and safety or for essential government services, such as police, fire and other similar emergency services; and
- 6. Violations of this Water Conservation Program will be considered waste and an unreasonable use of water. The following mandatory conservation measures must be implemented and complied with by all District customers and are effective immediately and at such other times as determined by the Board of Directors:
- a. Watering Hours and Duration. Outdoor irrigation and watering is prohibited between the hours of 10:00 a.m. and 8:00 p.m., and irrigation systems are limited to no more than 15 minutes of watering per day per station. These restrictions do not apply to the limited use of a hand-held bucket or similar container, a hand-held hose equipped with a positive self-closing water shut-off nozzle or device, an irrigation system that uses stream rotor sprinklers with an application rate of less than one-half inch per hour, very low-flow irrigation systems where no emitter produces more than two gallons of water per hour, or to commercial nurseries and growers. In addition, irrigation for the purpose of installing and germinating new lawns or landscaping is exempt from these restrictions for one period not to exceed three weeks per installation, unless the General Manager gives written permission to a water user for an extension beyond three weeks due to unique circumstances.
- b. **Excessive Water Flow or Runoff**. Watering in a manner that, as determined in the sole discretion of the District, results in overspray or excessive runoff onto paved or hardscaped areas is prohibited.
- c. Washing Hard or Paved Surfaces. Washing of hard or paved surfaces, including without limitation sidewalks, walkways, driveways, parking areas, tennis courts, patios, roofs, alleys and other hard surfaces, is prohibited, except when necessary to alleviate safety or sanitary hazards or as surface preparation for the application of any architectural coating or painting. All such permitted washing must be done by use of a hand-held bucket or similar container, a hand-held hose equipped with a positive self-closing water shut-off device, a low-volume high-pressure cleaning machine, or a low-volume high-pressure water broom.
- d. **Obligation to Fix Leaks**. Leaks in distribution, irrigation, or plumbing systems on the customer's side of the meter must be promptly repaired after discovery, and in no event more than one week after receiving notice of the leak from the District.
- e. Water Fountains and Decorative Water Features. Water fountains and decorative water features must use a water recirculation system.
- f. **Limits on Washing Vehicles**. Washing any automobile, truck, van, bus, motorcycle, boat, or any other vehicle is restricted to the use of a hand-held bucket or similar container, a hand-held hose equipped with a positive self-closing water shut-off nozzle or device. This provision does not apply to a commercial car washing facility.

- g. **Drinking Water Served Upon Request**. Eating or drinking establishments, including restaurants, hotels, cafés, cafeterias, bars, or other public places where food or drinks are sold are prohibited from providing drinking water to any customer unless expressly requested.
- h. Commercial Lodging Establishment Daily Linen Services. Hotels, motels, and other commercial lodging establishments must provide customers the option of not having towels and linen laundered daily. Commercial lodging establishments must prominently display notice of this option in each guest room.
- i. **Restaurants Required to Use Water Conserving Spray Valves**. Eating or drinking establishments, including restaurants, hotels, cafés, cafeterias, bars, or other public places where food or drinks are sold must utilize water conserving nozzles on pre-rinse spray valves.
- j. Commercial Car Wash Facilities. Commercial car wash facilities may use or permit the use of any water to wash any car, truck, boat, trailer, bus, recreation vehicle, camper, or any other vehicle, but only with the use of the equipment provided by the facility.
- k. **Outdoor Watering Restrictions**. All outdoor irrigation with potable water (excepting golf courses, parks, and other public open space and landscaped areas); including without limitation, ornamental watering, is limited based on the following schedule: Properties whose street address bears a final digit that is an odd number may water or irrigate when the day of the month is an odd number. Properties whose street address bears a final digit that is an even number may water or irrigate when the day of the month is an even number. Outdoor Watering will be prohibited on the 31st day of any month that has 31 days.

This provision does not apply to landscape irrigation zones that exclusively use very low-flow irrigation system in which no emitter produces more than two (2) gallons of water per hour. This provision also does not apply to watering or irrigating by use of a hand-held bucket or similar container, a hand-held hose equipped with a positive self-closing water shut-off nozzle or device, or for very short periods of time for the express purpose of adjusting or repairing an irrigation system.

- 1. **Rainy Days**. No outdoor irrigation, sprinkling, or outdoor watering shall take place during, or within 48 hours after measureable local rainfall.
- m. **Irrigation of Public Street Medians.** In accordance with Regulation section 864(a)(7) no irrigation with potable water of ornamental turf will be allowed on public street medians within the District's service area.
- n. **Outdoor Irrigation of New Construction**. In accordance with Regulation section 864(a)(8), irrigation using potable water of landscapes outside of newly constructed homes and buildings in the District's service area will not be allowed if in a manner inconsistent with the regulations or other requirements established by the California Building Standards Commission.
- o. **Reporting Water Waste**. Paradise Irrigation District shall maintain a program for residents to report waste of water throughout the District boundaries. District staff will investigate all reports of water waste. The District will continue its leak detection and notification process for leaks detected on the customer's side of the meter through the District's automated meter reading system.

- 7. The District's General Manager is directed to initiate and sustain for the duration of the Regulations, a public awareness and education campaign to implement the mandates of the Regulations and the requirements of this Water Conservation Program.
- a. The General Manager is directed to write a letter to each owner of property that constitutes a High Residential User advising of the immediate need to reduce their usage by 50% compared to their usage in 2013, and instructing such customers on efficient water use. If necessary, or requested, the General Manager or his designee will meet with High Residential Users to discuss ways to achieve the required 50% reduction. Beginning in July 2015 for usage in June 2015 and continuing at least monthly thereafter through March 2016, the General Manager will provide a "Water Use Progress Report" to each High Residential Water User that did not achieve their required water conservation in that month.
- b. The General Manager is directed to write a letter to each Agricultural User advising of the immediate need to reduce their usage by 20%. If necessary or requested, the General Manager or his designee will meet with Agricultural Users to discuss ways to achieve the required 20% reduction. Beginning in July 2015 for usage in June 2015 and continuing at least monthly thereafter through March 2016, the General Manager will provide a "Water Use Progress Report" to each Agricultural User showing each such user's progress towards achieving the required water conservation.
- c. The General Manager is directed to meet with Institutional Users advising of the immediate need to reduce their usage by 25%. If necessary or requested, the General Manager or his designee will meet with Institutional Users to discuss ways to achieve the required 25% reduction. Beginning in July 2015 for usage in June 2015 and continuing at least monthly thereafter through March 2016, the General Manager will provide a "Water Use Progress Report" to each Institutional User showing each such user's progress towards achieving the required water conservation.
- d. The District's Low Residential Users are recognized for previous conservation efforts and, provided such customers continue to not exceed a 5 unit per month usage threshold, will not be asked to reduce under this Water Conservation Program their usage compared to 2013. Low Residential Users will be required to abide by the mandatory conservation measures set forth in section 6 of this Water Conservation Program.
- e. All other District customers are required to reduce their usage by 25% compared to their usage in 2013.
- f. To determine 2013 water use, all customers are encouraged to sign up for Aquahawk at PID.aquahawk.us. Water saving tips are available at <a href="https://www.paradiseirrigation.com">www.paradiseirrigation.com</a>, <a href="https://www.paradiseirrigation.com">www.paradiseirrigation.com</a>, or by contacting District staff at 877-4971.
- 8. The District reserves the right to pursue any and all available remedies for violations of the requirements of this Water Conservation Program, including without limitation:
- a. Each violation of this resolution may be prosecuted (i) as a misdemeanor punishable by imprisonment in the county jail for not more than thirty (30) days or by a fine not exceeding \$1,000, or by both, as provided in Water Code section 377, and/or (ii) as an infraction punishable by a fine of up to \$500 for each day in which the violation occurs, as provided in title 23, California Code of Regulations, section 864(d).
  - b. Each day that a violation of this resolution occurs is a separate offense.

- c. Repeat offenders of this Water Conservation Program may, in the discretion of the District, (i) be placed on the District's highest tiered rate for water usage in lieu of and as a proxy for prosecution as described in section 8(a), above, and/or (ii) have a flow restrictor placed in their meter, and/or (iii) be subject to other administrative penalties pursuant to the District's rules and regulations and applicable law.
- 9. The District's General Counsel, in coordination with the District's General Manager, is directed to prepare a draft Excess Water Use Ordinance under Government Code section 53069.4 setting forth potential additional remedies available to the District in the event of noncompliance with the terms of this Water Conservation Program. A draft of the Excess Water Use Ordinance shall be provided to the District's Water Conservation Committee for review and input by the Committee and interested members of the public. If the Committee recommends adoption of the Excess Water Use Ordinance, it shall be considered as soon thereafter as possible by the District Board of Directors at a public meeting.
- 10. The District's General Manager or his designee may modify this Water Conservation Program without further action or approval of the Board of Directors when said modification is required in order to comply with any law, regulation, action by the Governor or state agency, or similar mandate. Such modification shall not constitute an amendment to the Water Conservation Program under section 376(b) of the Water Code. The General Manager shall give notice of any such modification as soon as possible prior to its effective date, by posting notice and the text of the modification on the District's website and in a conspicuous place at the District office. Any action taken under this paragraph 10 will be agendized at the next regularly scheduled board meeting for ratification by the Board of Directors.

Passed and adopted by the Board of Directors of the Paradise Irrigation District at a regular meeting of said Board on this 20th day of May, 2015, by the following vote:

AYES:

Directors Sep Carola, Larry Duncan, Doug Flesher, Bill Kellogg and Ken Hunt

NOES:

None

ABSTAIN:

None

ABSENT:

None

PARADISE IRRIGATION DISTRICT

Kenneth G. Hunt, President

ATTEST:

Georgeanna Borrayo, Secretary



#### Our water. Our future.

#### RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

### RESOLUTION NO. 2016-13 ADOPTING THE 2016 WATER CONSERVATION PROGRAM

WHEREAS, article X, section 2 of the California Constitution declares that waters of the State are to be put to beneficial use, that waste, unreasonable use, or unreasonable method of use of water be prevented, and that water be conserved for the public welfare; and

WHEREAS, regulation of the time of certain water use, manner of certain water use, method of application of water for certain uses, and installation and use of water-saving devices provide an effective and immediately available means of conserving water; and

WHEREAS, California Water Code sections 375 et seq. empower any public entity which supplies water at retail or wholesale to adopt and enforce a water conservation program to reduce the quantity of water used by those within its service area after holding a public hearing and making appropriate findings of necessity for the adoption of a water conservation program; and

WHEREAS, on May 9, 2016, the Governor of California executed Executive Order B-37-16 making conservation a way of life; and

WHEREAS, Paradise Irrigation District (District), as an urban retail water supplier, is mandated pursuant to SBx7-7 to, among other requirements, reduce per capita water consumption 20% by 2020; and

WHEREAS, the District has prepared and amended from time to time an urban water management plan that, among other things, sets forth the District's drought contingency plan and process to analyze the District's surface water storage levels on April 1 of each year to determine if drought conditions exist and water shortage contingency stages should be enacted; and

WHEREAS, on April 1, 2016, the District analyzed the water supply conditions of the District which were determined to be 12,297 acre-feet of stored supply, equating to 102% of average and 100% of available reservoir storage capacity; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with the District's urban water management plan the aforementioned water supply conditions require no rationing of supplies during the 2016 water year; and

WHEREAS, the State Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB) intends on modifying its current emergency urban water conservation regulations and has circulated a draft modification to the pending emergency regulations that would include a self-certification process to demonstrate an urban supplier can satisfy treated water demands in the event the drought extends another three years; and

WHEREAS, under this draft approach, the District has more than adequate water supply to provide its customers with three years of supply assuming a continuation of drought conditions and establishes a conservation standard of 0%; and

WHEREAS, given the Governor's May 9, 2016, Executive Order B-37-16 and the anticipated adoption by the SWRCB of draft regulations mandating certain wise water use practices, the District hereby continues water use limitations on end-users to eliminate water waste; and

WHEREAS, the end user limitations and wise water use practices set forth in the District's 2014 Water Conservation Program and 2015 Water Conservation Program are incorporated herein by this reference; and

WHEREAS, though the District intends on complying with the mandates established by the State of California, it does so specifically reserving all rights, claims and defenses available to the District; and

WHEREAS, the District finds that adherence to this Water Conservation Program and the required measures will balance the District's need to conserve water for possible future drought in 2017 and beyond and the District's customers' need to use water in 2016 for beneficial uses, including health and safety demands; and

WHEREAS, the adoption and enforcement of a comprehensive water conservation program will allow Paradise Irrigation District to delay or avoid declaring a water shortage emergency pursuant to Water Code section 350; and

WHEREAS, the amendment and readoption and enforcement of a water conservation program is necessary to comply with the mandated actions set forth in the emergency regulations as currently drafted and as the SWRCB may modify the same; and

WHEREAS, on May 18, 2016, Paradise Irrigation District held a public hearing and demonstrated the necessity for the adoption of its water conservation program to comply with state mandates; and

WHEREAS, water conserved by the District's customers will be carried over in storage for the beneficial use of the District's customers, including possible public health and safety uses of District customers in future years;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board of Directors of Paradise Irrigation District does hereby adopt its "2016 Water Conservation Program for Paradise Irrigation District" as follows:

- 1. The Board of Directors finds the above recitals are true and incorporates them by this reference as findings; and
- 2. This resolution and the conservation measures herein are effective immediately upon adoption pursuant to Water Code section 376; and
- 3. Pursuant to Water Code section 376 and Government Code section 6061, Paradise Irrigation District shall publish in a newspaper of general circulation this resolution, or a summary, adopting this revised water conservation program within 10 days after its adoption and publicize its enactment on the District's website and in billing correspondence with the District's customers; and
- 4. This resolution establishes mandatory conservation measures to be implemented immediately by all District customers and at such other times when, in the opinion of the Board of Directors, such measures are necessary for the preservation of public health and safety standards. The Board finds that these mandatory conservation measures constitute equitable rules governing use of water given the state's conservation mandates and the potential for continued drought conditions in 2017 or beyond. The Board finds that the mandatory conservation measures will be in place for the duration of the state's emergency regulations concerning urban conservation. The mandatory conservation measures may be re-imposed at

a future time by majority action of the Board of Directors at a public meeting convened in accordance with the Brown Act (Government Code §§ 54950 et seq.).

- 5. The provisions of this resolution are not intended to limit uses of water necessary to protect public health and safety or for essential government services, such as police, fire and other similar emergency services; and
- 6. Violations of this Water Conservation Program will be considered waste and an unreasonable use of water. The following mandatory conservation measures must be implemented and complied with by all District customers and are effective immediately and at such other times as determined by the Board of Directors:
- a. **Watering Hours and Duration**. Outdoor irrigation and watering is prohibited between the hours of 12:00 p.m. and 6:00 p.m. These restrictions do not apply to the limited use of a hand-held bucket or similar container, a hand-held hose equipped with a positive self-closing water shut-off nozzle or device, irrigation systems where no emitter produces a spray pattern, or to commercial nurseries and growers.
- b. **Excessive Water Flow or Runoff**. Watering in a manner that, as determined in the sole discretion of the District, results in overspray or excessive runoff onto paved or hardscaped areas is prohibited.
- c. Washing Hard or Paved Surfaces. Washing of hard or paved surfaces, including without limitation sidewalks, walkways, driveways, parking areas, tennis courts, patios, roofs, alleys and other hard surfaces, is prohibited except with a low-volume high-pressure cleaning machine, or a low-volume high-pressure water broom.
- d. **Water Fountains and Decorative Water Features**. Water fountains and decorative water features must use a water recirculation system.
- e. **Limits on Washing Vehicles**. Washing any automobile, truck, van, bus, motorcycle, boat, or any other vehicle is restricted to the use of a hand-held bucket or similar container, a hand-held hose equipped with a positive self-closing water shut-off nozzle or device. This provision does not apply to a commercial car washing facility.
- f. **Rainy Days**. No outdoor irrigation, sprinkling, or Outdoor Watering shall take place during, or within 48 hours after measureable local rainfall.
- g. **Irrigation of Public Street Medians.** In accordance with Regulation section 864(a)(7) no irrigation with potable water of ornamental turf will be allowed on public street medians within the District's service area.
- h. **Outdoor Irrigation of New Construction**. In accordance with Regulation section 864(a)(8) irrigation using potable water of landscapes outside of newly constructed homes and buildings in the District's service area will not be allowed if in a manner inconsistent with the regulations or other requirements established by the California Building Standards Commission.
- i. **Drinking Water Served Upon Request.** Eating or drinking establishments, including restaurants, hotels, cafés, cafeterias, bars, or other public places where food or drinks are sold are prohibited from providing drinking water to any customer unless expressly requested.

- j. **Commercial Lodging Establishment Daily Linen Services**. Hotels, motels, and other commercial lodging establishments must provide customers the option of not having towels and linen laundered daily. Commercial lodging establishments must prominently display notice of this option in each guest room.
- 7. The District's General Manager is directed to continue outreach to encourage customers to sign up for Aquahawk at PID.aquahawk.us. Water saving tips are available at <a href="https://www.paradisesaveswater.com">www.paradisesaveswater.com</a>, or by contacting District staff at 877-4971.
- 8. The District reserves the right to pursue any and all available remedies for violations of the requirements of this Water Conservation Program, including without limitation:
- a. Each violation of this resolution may be prosecuted (i) as a misdemeanor punishable by imprisonment in the county jail for not more than thirty (30) days or by a fine not exceeding \$1,000, or by both, as provided in Water Code section 377, and/or (ii) as an infraction punishable by a fine of up to \$500 for each day in which the violation occurs, as provided in title 23, California Code of Regulations, section 864(d).
  - b. Each day that a violation of this resolution occurs is a separate offense.
- 9. The District's General Manager or his designee may modify this Water Conservation Program without further action or approval of the Board of Directors when said modification is required in order to comply with any law, regulation, action by the Governor or state agency, or similar mandate. Such modification shall not constitute an amendment to the Water Conservation Program under section 376(b) of the Water Code. The General Manager shall give notice of any such modification as soon as possible prior to its effective date, by posting notice and the text of the modification on the District's website and in a conspicuous place at the District office. Any action taken under this paragraph 9 will be agendized at the next regularly scheduled board meeting for ratification by the Board of Directors.

Passed and adopted by the Board of Directors of the Paradise Irrigation District at a regular meeting of said Board on this 18th day of May, 2016, by the following vote:

AYES:	Directors Ken Hunt, Larry Duncan, Cliff Jacobson, and Sep Carola
NOES:	Director Bill Kellogg
ABSTAIN:	None
ABSENT:	None
	PARADISE IRRIGATION

	PARADISE IRRIGATION DISTRICT
ATTEST:	Sep Carola, President
Georgeanna Borravo, Secretary	



Exhibit C – Ordinance No. 2015-01 An Ordinance Adopting Enforcement Procedures and Fines and Penalties for Water Conservation Measures



## PARADISE IRRIGATION DISTRICT ORDINANCE NO. 2015-01

# AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING ENFORCEMENT PROCEDURES AND FINES AND PENALTIES FOR WATER CONSERVATION MEASURES

WHEREAS, Governor Brown on April 1, 2015, issued Executive Order B-29-15 which includes in paragraph 2 a mandate that the State Water Resources Control Board impose a reduction in potable water usage through February 28, 2016, to achieve a statewide 25% water savings; and

WHEREAS, the State Water Resources Control Board on May 5, 2015, adopted emergency regulations setting forth, among other items, mandatory end-user conservation measures and a requirement that the Paradise Irrigation District ("District") reduce its total potable water production by 36% beginning June 1, 2015, through February 2016 as compared to the same months in 2013; and

WHEREAS, in order to implement these mandates, the District adopted Resolution No. 2015-04 Amending and Readopting a Water Conservation Program ("Water Conservation Program") on May 20, 2015, a true and correct copy of which is attached as Exhibit A and incorporated herein by this reference; and

WHEREAS, the District maintains policies and rules and regulations concerning water use within the District and incorporates the current versions of the District's policies and rules and regulations herein by this reference; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Water Code §§ 375 et seq. and Government Code § 53069.4, the District is empowered to implement conservation measures, to conduct enforcement proceedings, and to impose fines and penalties for violations; and

WHEREAS, the District finds that sanctions, including fines and penalties for excessive water use, are reasonable and are necessary to deter customers from taking excess water from District supplies or engaging in wasteful or prohibited water use practices; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors of Paradise Irrigation District finds and determines, as set forth in detail below, that this Ordinance is necessary to comply with state conservation mandates and to strengthen enforcement of the District's Water Conservation Program, the District's policies, and its rules and regulations.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Board of Directors of Paradise Irrigation District does hereby ordain as follows:

#### 1. Applicability.

- a. This ordinance provides for administrative citations which are in addition to all other legal remedies, criminal or civil, which may be pursued by the District.
- b. The administrative citation process set forth in this ordinance applies to all violations of:
  - i. The Water Conservation Program;
  - ii. The District's policies as currently written or hereafter duly adopted or revised by the Board of Directors; and/or

- iii. The District's rules and regulations as currently written or hereafter duly adopted or revised by the Board of Directors.
- c. The use of this Ordinance shall be at the sole discretion of the District.

#### 2. <u>Definitions</u>. For purposes of this Ordinance:

- a. "Compliance Officer" shall mean any District employee or agent of the District with the authority delegated by the General Manager to enforce any provision of this Ordinance; and
- b. "Hearing Officer" shall mean the Chief Financial Officer, or persons appointed by the District's General Manager, including the General Manager himself, that presides over an administrative hearing provided for in this Ordinance.

#### 3. Administrative Citation.

- a. Whenever a Compliance Officer determines that a violation of this Ordinance has occurred, the Compliance Officer shall have the authority to issue an administrative citation to any person responsible for the violation.
- b. Each administrative citation shall contain the following information:
  - i. The date of the violation(s);
  - ii. The address or a specific description of the location where the violation(s) occurred;
  - iii. The section(s), as applicable, of the Water Conservation Program, policies, and rules and regulations violated and a description of the violation(s);
  - iv. The amount of the fine for the violation(s);
  - v. A description of the fine payment process, including a description of the time within which and the place to which the fine shall be paid;
  - vi. An order prohibiting the continuation or repeated occurrence of the violation(s) described in the administrative citation;
  - vii. A description of the administrative citation review process, including the time within which the administrative citation may be contested by submitting a request for a hearing form;
  - viii. The name and signature of the citing Compliance Officer; and
  - ix. A statement that a failure to appeal shall constitute a failure to exhaust administrative remedies and result in the citation becoming a final administrative enforcement order.

#### 4. Administrative Citation Fines.

a. Except in cases where the violation or violations, in the judgment of the Compliance Officer, pose an immediate threat to health and safety, the District will utilize the

following progressively more stringent enforcement procedure in issuing administrative citations:

- i. First administrative citation: written warning. Whenever a Compliance Officer determines that a violation has occurred, the Compliance Officer may issue a warning of administrative citation to any person responsible for the violation. Service of a written warning shall be a prerequisite to the issuance of further administrative citations with attendant financial penalties. In addition to the information set forth in Section 3.b., and if applicable, the warning shall specify a time and date by which the violation shall be corrected, after which a second administrative citation may be issued if the violation is not fully corrected. The Compliance Officer shall provide for a reasonable amount of time to correct the violation after considering the circumstances of the case, except that at least 24 hours shall be allowed for from the time and date of the warning. A warning shall not be required before the issuance of a second or any subsequent administrative citation for a continuing or repeated violation.
- ii. Second administrative citation within any twelve (12) month period: one hundred dollars (\$100.00) for each violation cited.
- iii. Third administrative citation within any twelve (12) month period: two hundred dollars (\$200.00) for each violation cited.
- iv. Fourth administrative citation within any twelve (12) month period: five hundred dollars (\$500.00) for each violation cited.
- v. Fifth and succeeding administrative citation within any twelve (12) month period: the District may resort to any and all available legal remedies, including without limitation, suspending or reducing deliveries to the property and referring the matter to the Butte County District Attorney's office.
- b. Each day or portion thereof during which a violation is committed, continued, or permitted, is a separate and distinct violation for which an administrative citation may be issued. Each violation constitutes a separate offense for which a separate penalty may be imposed. The fine amounts shall be cumulative where multiple citations are issued and the aggregate amount will be set forth in the administrative citation.
- c. Payment of the fine(s) shall not excuse the failure to correct the violation(s), nor shall it bar further enforcement action by the District.
- d. Fines imposed on any person under the second administrative citation stage will be reimbursed by the District if the person receiving the citation attends a one (1) hour water conservation course offered by the District. Attendance and receipt of a refund will not relieve the person from any additional administrative citations and fines for subsequent violation(s) of this Ordinance.

#### 5. Payment of the Fine(s).

- a. All fine(s) assessed shall be payable to the District unless otherwise directed on the citation. Payment must be made within thirty (30) days from the date of the administrative citation.
- b. Any fine paid shall be refunded in accordance with Section 7.g.ii., if it is determined after a hearing or appeal, the person charged with the administrative citation was not responsible for the violation, or that there was no violation as charged in the administrative citation.
- c. Payment of fines under this Ordinance shall not excuse or discharge any continuation or repeated occurrence of the violation that is the subject of the administrative citation.
- d. Any person who fails to pay the District any fine imposed pursuant to this Ordinance on or before the date that fine is due, shall also be liable for the payment of a late payment charge of 10% of administrative citation fine quantity.

#### 6. Hearing Request.

- a. Any recipient of an administrative citation in which fines are imposed may contest that there was a violation of this Ordinance or that the recipient is the responsible party, by completing a request for hearing form and returning it to the District office within thirty (30) days from the date of the administrative citation, together with an advance deposit of the fine(s).
- b. A request for hearing form may be obtained from the District's office, 6332 Clark Road, Paradise CA.
- c. The person requesting the hearing shall be notified of the time and place set for the hearing at least ten (10) days prior to the date of the hearing.
- d. If the Compliance Officer submits an additional written report concerning the administrative citations to the Hearing Officer for consideration at the hearing, then a copy of this report shall also be served on the person requesting the hearing at least five (5) days prior to the date of the hearing.

#### 7. Hearing Procedure.

- a. No hearing to contest an administrative citation before a Hearing Officer shall be held unless the fine(s) has been deposited with the District in advance.
- b. A hearing before the Hearing Officer shall be set for a date that is not less than fifteen (15) days and not more than sixty (60) days from the date that the request for hearing is filed in accordance with the provisions of this Ordinance.
- c. At the hearing, the party contesting the administrative citation shall be given the opportunity to testify and to present evidence concerning the administrative citation.

- d. The failure of any party contesting the administrative citation to appear at the hearing shall constitute a forfeiture of the fine and a failure to exhaust administrative remedies.
- e. The administrative citation and any additional report submitted by the Compliance Officer, if compliant with Section 3.b., shall constitute prima facie evidence of a violation of this Ordinance.
- f. The Hearing Officer shall be a disinterested employee, agent or consultant of the District. The employment, performance evaluation, compensation and benefits of the Hearing Officer shall not be directly or indirectly conditioned upon the amount of administrative citation fines upheld by the Hearing Officer.

#### g. Decision of the Hearing Officer:

- After considering all the testimony and evidence submitted at the hearing, the Hearing Officer shall issue a written decision to uphold or cancel the administrative citation and shall list in the decision, the reasons for that decision.
- ii. If the Hearing Officer decides to cancel the administrative citation, the District shall promptly refund the amount of the deposited fine.
- iii. The person receiving the administrative citation shall be served with a copy of the Hearing Officer's written decision.
- iv. For purposes of the Ordinance, service is accomplished by either personal delivery or deposit in the United States Mail in a sealed envelope sent first class, postage prepaid, addressed to the person to be notified at the mailing address for the person as set forth in the District's files, or such other address as provided by the person receiving notice.

#### h. Appeal of Hearing Officer's Decision to Board of Directors:

- If the Hearing Officer upholds the imposition of the administrative citation, the person aggrieved by the administrative citation may appeal the Hearing Officer's decision to the Board of Directors of the District.
- ii. A request for appeal to the Board of Directors must be made in writing to the District within ten (10) days of service of the Hearing Officer's decision. If an appeal to the Board of Directors is not timely received, the decision of the Hearing Officer shall be final. Timely appeal to the Board of Directors is a prerequisite to seeking judicial review under Section 8; failure to timely appeal to the Board of Directors constitutes a failure to exhaust administrative remedies.
- iii. Timely appeal requests will be considered by the Board at its next regularly scheduled board meeting.
- iv. The failure of any party appealing the Hearing Officer's decision to appear at the appeal shall constitute a denial of the appeal, forfeiture of the fine, and a failure to exhaust administrative remedies.

Paradise Irrigation District Ordinance No. 2015-01

- v. After considering the Hearing Officer's decision, evidence, testimony of the appealing party, and any public comments, the Board of Directors will make a decision, by motion and majority vote, to grant or deny the appeal.
- 8. <u>Right to Judicial Review</u>. Any person aggrieved by the Board of Directors' decision to uphold the administrative decision of a Hearing Officer on an administrative citation, may obtain review of the decision by filing a petition for review within the Butte County Superior Court in accordance with the timeliness and provisions set forth in Government Code section 53069.4.
- 9. <u>Recovery of Administrative Citations Fines and Costs</u>. The District may collect any past due administrative citation fines or late payment charges by any or all available legal means.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this  $17^{th}$  day of June, 2015 by the following vote at a regular meeting of the Board of Directors.

AYES:

Directors Sep Carola, Larry Duncan, Doug Flesher and Ken Hunt

NOES:

Director Bill Kellogg

ABSTAINED:

None

ABSENT:

None

PARADISE IRRIGATION DISTRICT

Kenneth G. Hunt, President

ATTEST:

Georgeanna Borrayo, Secretary



# **Exhibit D – Water Shortage Contingency Plan Adoption Resolution**





# PARADISE IRRIGATION DISTRICT

#### RESOLUTION NO. 2021-07

### A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE PARADISE IRRIGATION DISTRICT ADOPTING THE WATER SHORTAGE CONTINGENCY PLAN

The Paradise Irrigation District does hereby resolve as follows:

WHEREAS, the Urban Water Management Plan Act requires every urban water supplier either providing water for municipal purposes to more than 3,000 service connections or serving more than 3,000 acre feet annually to develop and submit an Urban Water Management Plan every five years to the California Department of Water Resources; and

WHEREAS, the California Water Code Section 10632 requires every urban water supplier shall prepare and adopt a Water Shortage Contingency Plan as part of its Urban Water Management Plan; and

WHEREAS the California Water Code Section 10632.2 states that an urban water supplier shall follow, where feasible and appropriate, the prescribed procedures and implement determined shortage response actions in its Water Shortage Contingency Plan; and

WHEREAS the California Water Code Section 10632.3 states that it is the intent of the legislature that, upon proclamation by the Governor of a state of emergency under the California Emergency Service Act based on drought conditions, the board defer to implementation of locally adopted Water Shortage Contingency Plans to the extent practicable; and

WHEREAS, the District is an urban supplier of water providing water to more than 3,000 customers; and

WHEREAS, with ongoing and recent updates to the DWR Guidebook for Urban Water Suppliers, staff collaborated with a consultant on the development of the Paradise Irrigation District Water Shortage Contingency Plan; and

WHEREAS, the District has prepared and circulated for public review the Paradise Irrigation District Water Shortage Contingency Plan, and a properly noticed public hearing regarding said Plan was held by the Board of Directors on June 21, 2021; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Plan is hereby adopted by the Board of Directors after public review and hearing, and the District Manager is hereby authorized to file the Water Shortage Contingency Plan with the California Department of Water Resources within thirty days of adoption; and

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 21st day of June, 2021, by the following vote at a special meeting of the Board of Directors:

AYES:

Directors Dan Hansen, Marc Sulik, Alan Hinman, Brian Shaw, and Shelby Boston

NOES:

None None

ABSENT: ABSTAIN:

None

Georgeanna Borrayo, Secretary

PARADISE IRRIGATION DISTRICT

Shelby Boston, President

ATTEST:

Page 2 | 2