

1 **BEFORE THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF FRESNO**

2 **STATE OF CALIFORNIA**

3 **RESOLUTION NO. 26-074**

4 **Resolution Declaring Water Conservation Stage in County Service Area No. 39 Zones**
5 **A & B for the 2026-2027 Water Year (Ord. Code, § 14.01.060)**

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7 WHEREAS, under Fresno County Ordinance Code (Ordinance Code) section 14.01.040, the
8 Director of Public Works and Planning (Director) has presented to this Board, and this Board has
9 received, an annual water conservation report (Report) covering all of the County Service Areas,
10 County Service Area Zones, and County Waterworks Districts whose governing body is this Board
11 where the County supplies water for human consumption (Districts), including County Service Area No.
12 39 Zones A and B (CSA 39AB); and

13 WHEREAS, the Report is based on all relevant information reasonably available to the Director
14 regarding water demand and availability during the 2026-2027 water year (April 1, 2026 through March
15 31, 2027) in each of the Districts, including CSA 39AB; and

16 WHEREAS, the Report includes a statement of whether and to what extent the Director
17 anticipates limits on the availability of water resources or the ability of the County to supply water for
18 human consumption, sanitation, and fire protection during the 2026-2027 water year in CSA 39AB; and

19 WHEREAS, the Report includes a recommendation regarding the duration of the conservation
20 period in CSA 39AB, namely the 2026-2027 water year, a recommendation regarding the appropriate
21 water conservation stage for CSA 39AB during that period, and a proposed resolution declaring the
22 water conservation stage for CSA 39AB during that period; and

23 WHEREAS, a copy of the Report is on file with the Clerk of this Board; and

24 WHEREAS, on December 24, 2025, under Ordinance Code section 14.01.040, the Director
25 caused a draft of the Report, along with instructions for submitting comments by January 13, 2026, to
26 be emailed to all Citizens Advisory Committee (CAC) members for CSA 39AB; and

27 WHEREAS, the Director caused notice of the time and place of a public hearing and the details
28 of the recommendation for CSA 39AB identified in the Report to be sent by United States Postal

1 Service first-class mail on January 30, 2026, in accordance with Ordinance Code section 14.01.050(B),
2 to each record owner of property (including their tenants of record) in CSA 39AB as shown on the last
3 equalized assessment roll, and notice of the time and place of the public hearing was published in the
4 Fresno Bee on February 22, 2026, as required by Ordinance Code section 14.01.050(A) and California
5 Water Code section 352; and

6 WHEREAS, a public hearing was held on March 3, 2026, before this Board, at which time there
7 was opportunity for all interested persons to protest the declaration of a water conservation stage, and
8 to present their respective needs and any other relevant information to the Board, as provided in
9 Ordinance Code section 14.01.060 and California Water Code section 351; and

10 WHEREAS, this Board has considered the Report, and all of the testimony and other
11 information presented at the public hearing as to CSA 39AB; and

12 WHEREAS, during the period from April 1, 2026 through October 31, 2026, limits on the
13 availability of water resources or the ability of CSA 39AB to supply water for human consumption are
14 not expected to exceed the normal limits such that the ordinary demands and requirements of water
15 consumers within CSA 39AB would not be satisfied without depleting the water supply for CSA 39AB to
16 the extent that there would be a severe shortfall in the supply of water available for human
17 consumption, sanitation, and fire protection within CSA 39AB; however, because the City of Fresno,
18 which supplies water for CSA 39AB, has limited outdoor watering by its water users during the herein
19 referenced timeframe, Water Conservation Stage One (Significant Water Shortage Emergency
20 Condition) is appropriate; and

21 WHEREAS, during the period from November 1, 2026 through March 31, 2027, limits on the
22 availability of water resources or the ability of CSA 39AB to supply water for human consumption are
23 not expected to exceed the normal limits such that the ordinary demands and requirements of water
24 consumers within CSA 39AB would not be satisfied without depleting the water supply for CSA 39AB to
25 the extent that there would be a severe shortfall in the supply of water available for human
26 consumption, sanitation, and fire protection within CSA 39AB; however, because the City of Fresno,
27 which supplies water for CSA 39AB, has limited outdoor watering by its water users to one day per
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1 week during the herein referenced timeframe, Water Conservation Stage Three (Critical Water
2 Shortage Emergency Condition) is appropriate.

3 **Therefore, be it resolved:**

4 1. This Board finds that all of the recitals above are true and correct.

5 2. Based on the Report and all of the testimony and other information presented at the
6 public hearing as to CSA 39AB, this Board finds that declaring Water Conservation Stage One
7 (Significant Water Shortage Emergency Condition) (Ordinance Code section 14.01.090) in CSA 39AB
8 for the dates of April 1, 2026 through October 31, 2026 of the 2026-2027 water year (April 1, 2026
9 through March 31, 2027) will conserve the water supply to CSA 39AB for the greatest public benefit for
10 that period, with particular regard to domestic use, sanitation, and fire protection, and will comply with
11 the restrictions imposed by the City of Fresno.

12 3. Based on the Report and all of the testimony and other information presented at the
13 public hearing as to CSA 39AB, this Board finds that declaring Water Conservation Stage Three
14 (Critical Water Shortage Emergency Condition) (Ordinance Code section 14.01.100) in CSA 39AB for
15 the dates of November 1, 2026 through March 31, 2027, of the 2026–2027 water year (April 1, 2026
16 through March 31, 2027) will conserve the water supply to CSA 39AB for the greatest public benefit for
17 that period, with particular regard to domestic use, sanitation, and fire protection, and will comply with
18 the restrictions imposed by the City of Fresno.

19 4. The regulations for Water Conservation Stage One (Significant Water Shortage
20 Emergency Condition), under Ordinance Code section 14.01.090, shall be in effect in CSA 39AB from
21 April 1, 2026, through October 31, 2026.

22 5. The regulations for Water Conservation Stage Three (Critical Water Shortage
23 Emergency Condition), under Ordinance Code section 14.01.100, shall be in effect in CSA 39AB from
24 November 1, 2026, through March 31, 2027.

25 6. The Director is authorized and directed to send by United States Postal Service first-
26 class mail, postage prepaid, to all property owners (including their tenants of record) in CSA 39AB, as
27 shown on the last equalized assessment roll, a copy of the regulations imposed under this resolution,
28 Ordinance Code sections 14.01.090 and 14.01.100, and California Water Code section 353.

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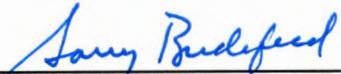
THE FOREGOING, was passed and adopted by the following vote of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Fresno this 3rd day of March, 2026, to wit:

AYES: Supervisors Bredefeld, Chavez, Magsig, Mendes, Pacheco

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTAINED: None



Garry Bredefeld, Chairman of the Board
of Supervisors of the County of Fresno

ATTEST:

Bernice E. Seidel
Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
County of Fresno, State of California

By: 

Deputy