

**SIERRA VALLEY GROUNDWATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT**

**RESOLUTION NO. 21-03**

District Fee Reduction in Recognition of Fiscal Emergency

**WHEREAS**, in December, 2019, a novel strain of coronavirus known as COVID-19 was detected, and COVID-19 has continued to spread throughout the world, including to the United States and the State of California; and

**WHEREAS**, the federal government, state governments, and local governments are working together to contain the further spread of the disease and treat existing cases; and

**WHEREAS**, on January 31, 2020, the United States Department of Health and Human Services declared a Public Health Emergency, on March 11, 2020, the World Health Organization declared COVID-19 a pandemic, and California subsequently declared a Health Emergency in the State; and

**WHEREAS**, one of the primary effects of the virus and the pandemic has been to decimate the economy and create a fiscal crises; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Directors (the “Board”) has determined that it is necessary to make all possible resources and means available to District members to ease the fiscal harm and recognizes that a fiscal emergency exists due to the continued spread of COVID-19 and the enforced lockdown of businesses; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board adopted Resolution 20-03 “District Fee Reduction in Recognition of Fiscal Emergency” on August 17, 2020 to reduce the management charge for the fiscal year 2020-2021 on all land within the District to \$.15 per acre with a total minimum charge of \$6.00 for all parcels or lots forty (40) acres or less, effective July 1, 2020 and continuing until April 30, 2021.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board has determined the fiscal emergency still exists and the reduced management charge from fiscal year 2020-2021 shall remain in effect for fiscal year 2021-2022, effective April 30, 2021 and continuing until April 30, 2022 at which time assessments and fees shall return to former levels, unless otherwise ordered by the Board of Directors.

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED this 19<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2021.

**AYES:** Directors:

**NOES** Directors:

**ABSENT** Directors:

ATTEST:

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CHAIRMAN, BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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BOARD CLERK