

# HIGHLINE WATER DISTRICT KING COUNTY, WASHINGTON

## RESOLUTION 08-1-16A

### A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF HIGHLINE WATER DISTRICT OF KING COUNTY, WASHINGTON, ADOPTING WATER USE EFFICIENCY GOALS.

**WHEREAS**, in 2003 the Washington State Legislature enacted Engrossed Second Substitute House Bill 1338, known as the Municipal Water Law, to address the increasing demand on the States water resources; and the Municipal Water Law established that all municipal water suppliers must use water more efficiently and required the Washington State Department of Health (DOH) to adopt a water use efficiency program to promote and require the efficient use of the State's water resources; and

**WHEREAS**, DOH adopted a Water Use Efficiency Rule (WUER) codified as WAC 246-290-800 et. seq. which was effective January 22, 2007, and WAC 246-290-830 requires the elected governing board of a municipal water supplier to establish by January 22, 2008 water use efficiency goals to enhance the efficient use of water by the water system and its consumers; and

**WHEREAS**, Highline Water District ("District") entered into a long-term wholesale water supply contract with the City of Seattle ("Seattle") by the adoption of Resolution No. 01-12-19A on the 19th day of December, 2001 ("Partial Requirements Contract"); and the Partial Requirements Contract required the District to adopt and agree to Seattle's 1% Water Conservation Program through the year 2010; and the Partial Requirements Contract also created an Operating Board comprised of representatives from Seattle and the utilities with water supply contracts with Seattle; and the Operating Board was authorized under the Partial Requirements Contract to adopt additional conservation goals and did so in January, 2006 by the adoption of a regional baseline conservation goal for the period of 2011 through 2030 of fifteen (15) million gallons of water daily ("mgd"); and

**WHEREAS**, Seattle prepared and approved a 2007 Water System Plan by the adoption of Ordinance No. 122309 on December 4, 2006 and included a new 2007-20 12 regional conservation goal comprised of four years (2007-2010) of the existing 1 % Regional Program as set forth in the Partial Requirements Contract and two years (2011-2012) of the recently adopted 2011-2030 Regional Baseline Conservation Program (the "Six-Year Regional Conservation Goal"); and

**WHEREAS**, WAC 246 290 830 (4) requires municipal water supplies to establish water conservation goals in a public forum that provides the opportunity for consumers and the public to participate and comment on the proposed water use efficiency goals, and Seattle undertook a public review period of the Six-Year Regional Conservation Goal and conducted, among other things, four public meetings in August, 2006 on the draft 2007 Water System Plan, including the Six-Year Regional Conservation Goal, prior to its approval and adoption by ordinance; and the District Board of Commissioners, pursuant to a public notice published in the Highline Times on December 19th, 2007, held a public hearing on January 2, 2008 at the District office commencing at 9:00 a.m. on the proposed adoption of water use efficiency goals; and having

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received and considered at the hearing staff report and recommendations and public input regarding the adoption of water use efficiency goals; and

**WHEREAS;** the District Board of Commissioners now desires to adopt the Six-Year Regional Conservation Goal established by Seattle in its 2007 Water System Plan as the Districts water use efficiency goal and to use the public forum process undertaken by Seattle for public input on the proposed Six-Year Regional Conservation Goal proposed for adoption by the District;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Board of Commissioners of Highline Water District of King County, Washington, as follows:

1. The Six-Year Regional Conservation Goal comprised of the remainder of the eleven (11) mgd regional water savings goal of the 1 % Water Conservation Program through the year 2010 and the three-year portion of the Regional Conservation 2011-2030 goal of an additional fifteen (15) mgd through the year 2013 is hereby approved and adopted as the District's six-year water use efficiency goal for the period from the date of the adoption of this resolution through the year 2013.
2. District staff are hereby authorized and directed to carry out the District' s water use efficiency programs to achieve the District's water use efficiency goals.
3. This resolution and the policies set forth herein shall be effective the date set forth below and shall modify and amend all District resolutions, policies and procedures to be consistent with the policies set forth herein.

**ADOPTED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS** of Highline Water District, King County, Washington, at a Regular Open Public Meeting held this **16th** day of **January 2008**.

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