NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

PROPOSED DECLARATION OF A STAGE 1 WATER SUPPLY EMERGENCY

Industry Public Utilities Resolution No. IPUC 2023-07

Declaring a Stage 1 Water Supply Emergency, Making Findings in Support Thereof, and Adopting a Notice of Exemption Regarding Same

The Main San Gabriel Basin has benefited from a series of storms that began late 2022 and into 2023. These storms have helped replenish the basin and have eased some of the most extreme drought conditions in the state by refilling rivers and reservoirs and delivering near-record snowpack in the Sierra Nevadas. As a result of these storms and record snowpacks, on March 24, 2023, through Executive Order N-5-23, Governor Gavin Newsom rolled back some drought emergency provisions that are no longer needed due to current water conditions, while maintaining other measures that support regions and communities still facing water supply challenges, and that continue building up long-term water resilience. In addition, on April 20, 2023, the Department of Water Resources (DWR) announced that the wet winter and near-record snowpack in the Sierra Nevadas combined with careful operations management will allow increase of State Water Project (SWP) allocation from 75 to 100 percent of SWP requested water supplies. This significant change in supply conditions warrants the change from a Stage 2 Water Supply Emergency to a Stage 1 Water Supply Emergency, which better reflects current water conditions throughout the State and mirrors the reduction of water restrictions recently adopted by other local water agencies. A resolution declaring water use efficiency practices and water conservation measures for users, which establishes penalties for violating any water use restrictions and/or water conservation measures required during a Stage 1 Water Shortage Emergency is being considered by the Industry Public Utilities Commission at its regular meeting on August 10, 2023, at 8:30 AM.

A general summary of the Stage 1 water use restrictions and water conservation actions included in the proposed resolution is set forth below:

- Stage 1 Water Supply Emergency Outdoor watering limited to three (3) times a week between 5 P.M. and 9 A.M. on Monday, Wednesday and Friday.
- Repair leaks within 5 days of receiving notice from the Industry Public Utilities Waterworks System

These conservation restrictions will be administered initially on an educational basis and escalate to fines for repeated violations. The restrictions, if approved by the Industry Public Utilities Commission, shall take effect August 10, 2023, and shall remain in effect until otherwise repealed or amended by the Industry Public Utilities Commission.

A complete copy of the proposed Resolution No. IPUC 2023-07 is available for review at the City of Industry Waterworks System office located at 112 N. First Street, La Puente, California 91744, during normal business hours, Monday through Thursday, 7:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Fridays 7:00 a.m. to 3:30 pm. The Resolution may also be obtained at City of Industry City Hall, 15625 Mayor Dave Way, City of Industry, California, at the office of the City Clerk during regular business hours, Monday through Thursday, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Fridays 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 pm.

Any person wishing to be heard regarding this matter may appear in person at the above time and date. Written comments may be sent via US Mail or by hand delivery to the Industry Public Utilities Commission at City of Industry City Hall, 15625 Mayor Dave Way, City of Industry, California, 91744, or via email to jgrobles@cityofindustry.org. All comments must be received at, or prior to, the date and time of the hearing listed above.

If you challenge the water conservation rules in court, you may be limited to raising only those issues you or someone else raised at the public hearing described in this notice, or in written correspondence delivered to the Commission at, or prior to, the public hearing.

Julie Gutierrez-Robles, Secretary