

RESOLUTION NO. 4326-2020

RESOLUTION OF THE FORT BRAGG CITY COUNCIL RESCINDING THE CITY OF FORT BRAGG'S WATER EMERGENCY DECLARATION

WHEREAS, the City's municipal water system comes from three primary sources consisting of the Noyo River, Waterfall Gulch, and Newman Gulch; and

WHEREAS, During the summer of 2020 flows in the Noyo River dropped faster than any other summer on record, surpassing the 2015 and 1977 low flows; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Fort Bragg entered a voluntary Stage 1 Water Emergency at its meeting of August 10, 2020, as a precautionary measure until raw source waters could start to reliably recover; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Fort Bragg declared a Stage 2 Water Emergency at its meeting of August 31, 2020, as water flows in the Noyo continued to decrease and high tides were expected prior to any anticipated rainfall; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Fort Bragg passed a Resolution downgrading the mandatory water conservation measures back to a Stage 1, at its special meeting of September 14, 2020, after water consumption dropped and adequate reserves remained in storage; and

WHEREAS, as of November 13, 2020, in accordance with flows closely monitored by City staff, source waters from the Noyo River have reliably recovered; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of Fort Bragg does hereby rescind the Stage 1 Water Emergency in accordance with Fort Bragg Municipal Code Section 14.06.030; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of Fort Bragg no longer declares a continuing Water Emergency in recognition of the long-range climatological forecast for the winter of 2020 for normal expected rainfall.

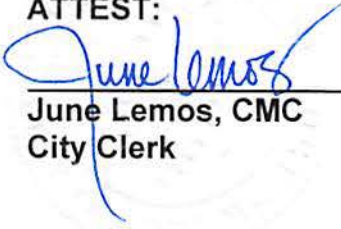
The above and foregoing Resolution was introduced by Councilmember Norvell, seconded by Councilmember Albin-Smith, and passed and adopted at a regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Fort Bragg held on the 23th day of November 2020, by the following vote:

AYES: Councilmembers Albin-Smith, Morsell-Haye, Norvell, Peters and Mayor Lee.
NOES: None.
ABSENT: None.
ABSTAIN: None.
RECUSED: None.



William V. Lee
Mayor

ATTEST:



June Lemos

June Lemos, CMC
City Clerk