## LATHROP IRRIGATION DISTRICT

## **RESOLUTION NO. 24-06**

A RESOLUTION OF THE LATHROP IRRIGATION DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS DETERMINING THAT THERE IS NO SIGNIFICANT RISK OF THE LATHROP IRRIGATION DISTRICT ELECTRIC LINES OR EQUIPMENT CAUSING A CATASTROPHIC WILDFIRE

WHEREAS, the State of California approved Senate Bill (SB) 1028 requiring that the governing board of a local Publicly Owned Utility (POU) initiate a process to determine whether any portion of the geographic area where the POU's overhead electric lines and equipment are located poses a significant risk of catastrophic wildfires resulting from the POU's electrical lines and equipment; and

WHEREAS, Lathrop Irrigation District (LID) staff reviewed the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) Fire Threat Map, which designates High Fire Threat Districts, and determined that zero (0) percent of LID's electric lines and equipment lie within an area designated as either elevated (Tier 2) or extreme (Tier 3) fire risk; and

WHEREAS, LID staff also reviewed the boundaries of the High Fire Threat District and relevant historical fire data and local conditions and determined that no portion of LID's service area is in or adjacent to an area that is considered an elevated risk of electric line wildfires; and

**WHEREAS**, based on this assessment, LID staff has concluded that its electric lines and equipment do not pose a significant risk of catastrophic wildfire; and

**WHEREAS**, the State of California approved Assembly Bill (AB) 1054 and AB 111, requiring POUs, including LID, to submit a WMP to a newly formed California Wildfire Safety Advisory Board (WSAB); and

**WHEREAS**, the WSAB has proposed recommending that POUs that do not own or operate electric supply lines in the elevated or extreme wildfire risk areas of the CPUC's High Fire Threat District map may utilize an alternative wildfire mitigation plan development and reporting process; and

WHEREAS, the alternative reporting process that the WSAB has adopted would allow low risk POUs to submit the most recent WMP along with a supplemental letter describing the unchanged wildfire risk status as it is unreasonable to expect them to otherwise continue submitting new WMPs annually; and

WHEREAS, LID has determined that its current WMP adequately addresses the risk of a utility-caused, catastrophic wildfire occurring in LID's service territory and that no substantive changes are merited; and

**WHEREAS**, as the WSAB adopted this alternative reporting process at its June 5, 2024 Board Meeting, LID will exercise the option to submit the supplemental letter and existing WMP each year and continue to evaluate its WMP on a regular basis.

NOW, THEREFORE THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS, HEREBY RESOLVES:

**SECTION 1.** The Council makes a determination that LID's overhead electric lines and equipment do not pose a significant risk of causing a catastrophic wildfire pursuant to SB 1025;

SECTION 2. Pursuant to Assembly Bill (AB) 1054 and AB 111, LID is considered a low-risk POU and

has the option to submit a supplemental letter and existing WMP each year describing its unchanged wildfire risk status;

SECTION 3. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption.

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PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED this 24th day of July/2024.

BY:

Ravi Kotecha, President Lathrop Irrigation District

ATTEST:

TERRY TRUSCOTT, Interim Secretary

Lathrop Irrigation District

I, TERRY TRUSCOTT, Secretary of Lathrop Irrigation District, do hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was duly passed and adopted by the Board of Directors of the District at a regular meeting thereof assembled on the 24th day of July, 2024, by the following vote of the Board of Directors:

**AYES:** 

Boardmembers: 2

**NOES:** 

Boardmember: (

ABSENT:

Boardmember:

ABSTAINED: Boardmember:

TERRY TRUSCOTT, Interim Secretary

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