

PORT OF STOCKTON DRAFT RESOLUTION

RESOLUTION NO. 8517

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF PORT COMMISSIONERS DETERMINING THAT THERE IS NO SIGNIFICANT RISK OF THE STOCKTON PORT DISTRICT UTILITY 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, Port staff reviewed the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) Fire Threat Map, which designates High Fire Threat Districts, and determined that zero (0) percent of the Port's electric lines and equipment lie within an area designated as either elevated (Tier 2) or extreme (Tier 3) fire risk; and

WHEREAS, Port 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 the Port's service area is in an area that is considered an elevated risk of electric line wildfires; and

WHEREAS, based on this assessment, Port staff has concluded that the Port's 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 the Stockton Port District 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 control 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, the Port has determined that its current WMP adequately addresses the risk of a utility-caused, catastrophic wildfire occurring in the Port'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, the Port 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 PORT COMMISSIONERS OF THE STOCKTON PORT DISTRICT, HEREBY RESOLVES:

SECTION 1. The Board makes a determination that the Port'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, the Port 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.

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED THIS 19TH DAY OF AUGUST 2024

