

HORN BROOK COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT

RESOLUTION 2018-___

APPROVING WATER RATE INCREASES EFFECTIVE APRIL 1, 2018

WHEREAS, the Hornbrook Community Services District (“District”) has incurred increasing expenses for important water treatment chemicals, materials, supplies, compliance with governmental regulations, and other costs of service related to providing safe, reliable drinking water; and

WHEREAS, the District faces increased costs to fund necessary repair, maintenance, upgrading and improvements to its infrastructure and facilities to protect the community water supply and to provide safe water for drinking, sanitation and firefighting; and

WHEREAS, the District has incurred over \$200,000 in legal expenses defending itself from over twenty lawsuits, which must now be paid back; and

WHEREAS, the District has evaluated its existing revenue and expenses, and determined that increases to the monthly base rate paid by all District customers is necessary to keep the District solvent and prepare for the estimated future cost of water system operation; and

WHEREAS, the District has prepared a Notice of the proposed rate increase, which was mailed to each affected property as required by law; stating the date, time, and location of the public hearing to consider public comments and protests regarding the adoption of the rate increases; and

WHEREAS, the District’s Notice set forth the reasons for the increase and the procedure by which a parcel owner may protest the increase, including the address to which a protest could be mailed or delivered; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the provisions of California law, the District provided the Notice and a period of 45-days for public review and comment on the proposed water rate increase, prior to the public hearing and Board action to increase the water rates; and

WHEREAS, the Board shall not approve the water rate increase if a majority of the properties affected by the water rate increase submit a written protest to the District by the date and time specified in the Notice.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE BOARD HEREBY FINDS AND IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED as follows:

1. A Notice of Proposed Water Rate Increase and Notice of Public Hearing was mailed to all District customers on February 2, 2018.

2. An informational public meeting regarding the proposed water rate increase was held on February 28, 2018.
3. A Public Hearing was held this March 28, 2018 to receive comments and protests on the proposed water rate increase.
4. Written protests have not been submitted by a majority of properties affected by the rate increase, and the Board may proceed with adoption of the proposed water rate increase.
5. The water rate increase as proposed in the Notice of Proposed Water Rate Increase is hereby approved and shall become effective April 1, 2018

WHEREFORE, this Resolution is passed and adopted by the Board of Directors of the Saddle Creek Community Services District on March 28, 2018, by the following vote:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

ABSTAIN:

Robert Puckett, President

ATTEST:

Michele Hanson, Secretary

CERTIFICATE OF SECRETARY

I, Michele Hanson, the duly appointed and acting Secretary of the Board of Directors of the Hornbrook Community Services District, do hereby declare that the foregoing Resolution was duly passed and adopted at a Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Hornbrook Community Services District, duly called and held on March 28, 2018.

DATED: _____.