## RESOLUTION NO. 2019-06

## A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE SAN BENITO COUNTY WATER DISTRICT, APPROVING AN INTERIM POLICY TO SELL ADDITIONAL FEDERAL AGRICULTURAL WATER ALLOCATED AT A REDUCED RATE FOR WATER YEAR COMMENCING MARCH 1, 2019

**WHEREAS**, on January 30, 2019, the Board of Directors of San Benito County Water District passed Ordinance 61, which established charges for Agricultural and Non-Agricultural Water; and

**WHEREAS**, said charges were based on certain assumptions of deliveries during the water years beginning March 1, 2019 through February 28, 2022: and

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Directors determined that deliveries of Agricultural water in the year beginning March 1, 2019 through February 29, 2020 based on a Federal allocation of 35% would be sufficient to meet the minimum needed in the rate analysis used to set rates for the 2019/2020 water year; and

**WHEREAS,** the District staff has re-evaluated the required rate for water sold over that amount; and

**WHEREAS**, after such evaluation staff has determined that a rate less than the rate established in 2020 for water purchased by Agricultural customers over a 70% allocation to the customer would not need to carry the fixed cost of service; and

**WHEREAS,** it is in the best interest of Zone 6 groundwater and surface water users to maximize the amount of imported Central Valley Project water put to beneficial use in each water year.

## NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE SAN BENITO COUNTY WATER DISTRICT AS FOLLOWS:

<u>Interim Policy:</u> Based upon the facts set forth in the Recitals above, it shall be the interim policy of the Board of Directors that the charges for agricultural water purchased over the customer allocation of 70% for the water year beginning March 1, 2019, and ending on February 29, 2020 shall be as follows:

CONTRACT CUSTOMERS	Rate (Board Approved Ordinance No. 61) until customer usage exceeds 70% allocation	Rate after customer usage exceeds 70% allocation	Unit of Measure
Agricultural	\$ 254.00	\$ 110.00	per acre foot
Agricultural Full Cost (RRA Section 205(a)(3)*	\$ 407.00	\$ 170.00	per acre foot
Agricultural Full Cost (RRA Section 202(3)*	\$ 386.00	\$ 170.00	per acre foot

This interim policy shall be in effect until February 29, 2020, at which time the rates established in Ordinance No. 61 for the water year commencing March 1, 2020, shall be in effect.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED** this  $27^{th}$  day of March 2019, by the San Benito County Board of Directors by the following vote:

AYES: DIRECTORS: Flores, Tobias, Bettencourt, Tonascia & Williams

NOES: DIRECTORS: None

ABSENT: DIRECTORS: None

ABSTAIN: DIRECTORS: None

/s/Sonny Flores Sonny Flores President

ATTEST:

<u>/s/Sara Singleton</u> Sara Singleton Assistant Manager