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WHEREAS, because of the prevailing conditions in the State, the current statewide drought, and the declared policy of the State, the City hereby finds and determines that it is necessary and appropriate for the City to adopt, implement, and enforce a water conservation program to reduce the quantity of water used by consumers within the City to ensure that there is sufficient water for human consumption, sanitation, and fire protection; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to California Water Code section 350 the City Council is authorized to declare a water shortage emergency to prevail within its jurisdiction when it finds and determines that the City will not be able to or cannot satisfy the ordinary demands and requirements of water consumers without depleting the water supply of the City to the extent that there would be insufficient water for human consumption, sanitation, and fire protection, and as more fully set forth in this chapter; and

WHEREAS, in the event the City determines that it is necessary to declare that a water shortage emergency exists, the City will be authorized pursuant to this chapter to implement certain drought response measures and a water conservation and regulatory program to regulate water consumption activities within the City and ensure that the water delivered in the City is put to beneficial use for the greatest public benefit, with particular regard to domestic use, including human consumption, sanitation, and fire protection, and that the waste or unreasonable use of water is prevented; and

WHEREAS, the City is authorized to prescribe and define by ordinance restrictions, prohibitions, and exclusions for the use of water during a threatened or existing water shortage and adopt and enforce a water conservation and regulatory program to: (i) prohibit the wastage of City water or the use of City water during such period; (ii) prohibit use of water during such periods for specific uses which the City may from time to time find nonessential; and (iii) reduce and restrict the quantity of water used by those persons within the City for the purpose of conserving the water supplies of the City; and

WHEREAS, the City hereby finds and determines that pursuant to the provisions of Title 13, Chapter 13.28 of the City of Colton Municipal Code, as hereby amended, the City shall: (i) implement water conservation and water shortage response measures; (i) regulate the water consumption activities of persons within the City for the purposes of conserving and protecting the City's water supplies, reducing the quantity of water consumed, and deterring and preventing the waste or unreasonable use or unreasonable method of use of valuable water resources; and (ii) establish and collect regulatory fees and impose fines and penalties as set forth herein to accomplish these purposes and recover the costs of the City's water conservation and regulatory program; and

WHEREAS, the City Council hereby finds and determines that it is desirable to codify the rules and regulations governing its actions, and the actions of persons using and consuming water within the City, particularly during declared water shortages and water shortage emergencies, to protect the general welfare and the City's water supplies, and to reduce water consumption in accordance with the declared policies and laws of the State.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLTON, CALIFORNIA DOES HEREBY ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

1 **Section 1.** The City hereby finds and determines that the above recitals are true and
2 correct and incorporated herein.

3 **Section 2.** Title 13 of the City of Colton Municipal Code is hereby amended by
4 adding Chapter 13.28, entitled "Water Conservation Plan," to read as follows:

5 **13.28.010 INTENT.**

6 Pursuant to Article X, section 2 of the California Constitution, the City Council
7 declares that the waters of the State are to be put to maximum beneficial use, that the waste
8 or unreasonable use, or unreasonable method of use of water be prevented, and that the
9 conservation of such water must occur to protect the people and property of the State. This
10 chapter establishes the City of Colton Water Conservation Plan.

11 **13.28.020 PURPOSE.**

12 The purpose of this chapter is to adopt a water conservation plan that establishes water
13 conservation measures that conserve City water supplies for the greatest public benefit and
14 reduce the quantity of water used by the City's water customers. The Water Conservation
15 Plan is hereby established to extend and preserve the available water resources required for
16 the basic needs of human consumption, sanitation and fire protection.

17 **13.28.030 DEFINITIONS.**

18 For the purposes of this chapter 13.28, the following words, terms, and phrases shall
19 have the following meanings:

20 "City" means the City of Colton.

21 "City Manager" means the City Manager of the city or his authorized designee.

22 "Customer" means a person who, according to the city's records, receives water service to a
23 parcel of property.

24 "Department" means the City's Water/Wastewater Department.

25 "Director" means the Director of the City Water/Wastewater Department or his authorized
26 designee.

27 "Enforcement Officer" means any individual employed or otherwise charged by the City to
28 inspect or enforce codes, ordinances, mandates, regulations, resolutions, rules or other laws
adopted by the City Council or other regulatory bodies.

 "Notice of Violation" means a notice provided by the City to any person who as violated
any provisions of this Chapter 13.28.

1 "Person" means any natural person, firm, joint venture, joint stock company, partnership,
2 public or private association, club, company, corporation, business trust, organization,
3 public or private agency, government agency or institution, school district, college,
4 university, any other user of water provided by the City, or the manager, lessee, agent,
5 servant, officer or employee of any of them or any other entity which is recognized by law
6 as the subject of rights or duties.

7 "Water Conservation Plan" means the water conservation plan established pursuant to this
8 chapter.

9 "Water shortage emergency" means a condition existing within the city in which the
10 ordinary water demands and requirements of persons within the city cannot be satisfied
11 without depleting the water supply of the city to the extent that there would be insufficient
12 water for human consumption, sanitation, and fire protection. A water shortage emergency
13 includes both an immediate emergency, in which the city is unable to meet current water
14 needs of persons within the city, as well as a threatened water shortage, in which the city
15 determines that its supply cannot meet an increased future demand.

16 **13.28.040 APPLICATION.**

17 The provisions of this chapter shall apply to all persons, customers, and property
18 served water by the City, and shall also apply to all property and facilities owned,
19 maintained, operated, or otherwise under the jurisdiction of the City.

20 **13.28.050 GENERAL PROHIBITION.**

21 No water user shall make, cause, use, or permit the use of water supplied by the City
22 for residential, commercial, industrial, agricultural, governmental or any other use in the
23 manner contrary to this chapter. Waste or the unreasonable or non-beneficial use of water is
24 prohibited in the City. Service may be terminated to any customer who knowingly and
25 willfully violates any provision of this Chapter.

26 **13.28.060 STAGE CRITERIA.**

27 The Director shall recommend guidelines for adoption by the City Council setting
28 forth the criteria to determine when water supply conditions in the City require the
implementation or termination of each water conservation stage. Such guidelines shall be
updated when the Director determines availability of water so requires.

13.28.070 DETERMINATION OF WATER CONSERVATION STAGES.

A. The Department shall monitor the projected supply and demand for water by its
customers on a daily basis during the months of June, July, August, September, and
October and shall recommend to the City Manager the extent of conservation required
through the implementation and/or termination of particular conservation stages to
allow the Department to prudently plan for and supply water to its customers.
Thereafter, the City Manager may recommend to the City Council the implementation

1 or termination of the appropriate stage of water conservation in accordance with the
2 applicable provisions of this chapter.

3 B. The City Council may implement or terminate the appropriate conservation stage
4 pursuant to Section 13.28.070 of this chapter. Notice of the implementation of
5 successive stages of water conservation shall be given to water users immediately both
6 by publication at least once in a newspaper of general circulation within ten (10) days
7 after adoption, and by notice enclosed with the next regular city invoice for water
8 utility service or delivered by U.S. Mail.

9 C. If the City Council cannot meet in time to act to protect the public interest pursuant to
10 this chapter, the City Manager or his designee is hereby authorized and directed to
11 implement such provisions of this chapter upon his or her written determination that
12 the City cannot supply adequate water to meet the ordinary demands of water
13 consumers, and that such implementation is necessary to protect the public health or
14 safety. Such written determination shall be presented to the City Council at its next
15 meeting for review, revocation, or ratification. Such meeting shall be held as soon as
16 possible.

12 **13.28.080 WATER CONSERVATION STAGES AND IMPLEMENTATION.**

13 A. Stage I, Normal Conditions. Water Conservation Stage I applies during periods when
14 the City is able to meet all of the water demands of its customers. Water Conservation
15 Stage I is in effect at all times unless the City Council otherwise declares that another
16 water conservation stage is in effect pursuant to this chapter. The following water
17 conservation measures apply during Stage I:

18 1. The following water uses are recommended:

19 i. Water conservation should be practiced within homes and business at all times.

20 ii. Sprinklers and irrigation systems should be adjusted to avoid overspray, runoff
21 in excess of five (5) minutes, or other waste.

22 iii. Use of potable water for irrigating or watering turf, gardens, landscaped areas,
23 trees, shrubs, or other plants utilizing individual sprinkler systems should only
24 be done between the hours of 6:00 p.m. and 10:00 a.m. (agricultural accounts
25 are excluded from the time of irrigation restrictions). Drip irrigation and hand
26 watering with a handheld hose or faucet filled bucket are exempt from this
27 recommendation.

28 iv. All restaurants are requested not to serve water to their customers unless
specifically requested by the customer.

2. The following uses of water are hereafter considered non-essential to the public
health, safety and welfare, constitute the waste of water, and are hereby prohibited
at all times:

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- i. Use of potable water to clean sidewalks, walkways, driveways, parking areas, patios, porches, verandas, tennis courts, or other paved, concrete, or other hard surface areas, except where necessary for the benefit of public health or safety.
- ii. Use of potable water to clean, fill, or maintain decorative fountains, lakes, or ponds, unless such water is recycled.
- iii. Permitting potable water to escape from leaks within the customer's plumbing system. All water leaks from a customer's plumbing system shall be repaired in a timely manner.
- iv. Washing of automobiles, boats, trailers, aircraft, or other vehicles by hose without a shutoff nozzle and bucket, except to wash such vehicles at commercial or fleet vehicle washing facilities. Provided, however, such washings are exempt from these regulations when health, safety, and welfare of the public is contingent upon frequent vehicle cleaning, such as garbage trucks and vehicles used to transport food or perishables.

B. Stage II, Water Alert. Stage II applies during periods when the City will not be able to meet all of the water demands of its customers. The following mandatory conservation measures shall apply during Stage II:

1. All measures listed under Stage I, Subsection 13.28.080A.

The use of potable water for irrigating or watering turf, groundcover, gardens, landscaped areas, trees, shrubs, or other plants utilizing individual sprinkler systems shall only be permitted between the hours of 6:00 p.m. and 8:00 a.m. Agricultural accounts are excluded from the time of irrigation restrictions. Drip irrigation and hand watering with a handheld hose with a positive shutoff nozzle or faucet filled bucket are exempt from these restrictions.

- 2. No restaurant, hotel, café, cafeteria or other public place where food is sold, served, or offered for sale, shall serve drinking water to any customer unless expressly requested.
- 3. Washing of automobiles, boats, trailers, aircraft, and other types of mobile equipment shall be prohibited unless done with a hand-held bucket or hand-held hose equipped with a positive shutoff nozzle for quick rinses. This section does not apply to the washing of the above-listed vehicles or mobile equipment when conducted at a commercial car wash utilizing a recycling system. Provided, however, such washings are exempt from these regulations when the health, safety, and welfare of the public is contingent upon frequent vehicle cleaning, such as garbage trucks and vehicles used to transport food or perishables.
- 4. Golf course customers and commercial nursery customers shall curtail all non-essential water use and shall irrigate or water turf, groundcover, gardens, landscaped areas, trees, shrubs, or other plants only between the hours of 10:00 p.m. and 6:00 a.m., where possible. These customers shall reduce their potable

1 water consumption by 15% of their prior year's consumption for the comparable
2 billing period.

3 5. Outdoor irrigation and watering of turf, gardens, landscaped areas, trees, shrubs, or
4 other plants utilizing individual sprinkler systems in parks, schools, publicly-
5 owned property, and the public rights-of-way shall be permitted only between the
6 hours of 10:00 p.m. and 6:00 a.m. These customers shall reduce their potable
7 water consumption by 15% of their prior year's consumption for the comparable
8 billing period.

9 6. The use of potable water for compaction, dust control, and other types of
10 construction shall be allowed only pursuant to a permit issued by the Department.
11 Use of potable water for such purposes shall be limited to the conditions of the
12 permit or may be prohibited as determined by the Director or his designee.

13 C. Stage III, Water Warning. Stage III applies during periods when the City will not be
14 able to meet all of the water demands of its customers. The following mandatory
15 conservation measures shall apply during Stage III:

16 1. All measures listed under Stage I (Section 13.28.080A) and Stage II (Section
17 13.28.080B).

18 2. Washing of automobiles, boats, trailers, aircraft, and other types of mobile
19 equipment is prohibited. Washing of the above-listed vehicles or mobile
20 equipment shall only be allowed at a commercial car wash utilizing recycling
21 systems. Provided, however, such washings are exempt from these regulations
22 when health, safety, and welfare of the public is contingent upon frequent vehicle
23 cleaning, such as garbage trucks and vehicles used to transport food or perishables.

24 3. New water service connections shall be permitted, but the use of potable water for
25 any new service connection before occupancy of any premises shall be permitted
26 only for essential construction and testing of landscape irrigation systems. The
27 installation of new landscaping for any new development and/or project must be
28 approved by the Department.

4. Outdoor irrigation or watering of turf, groundcover, gardens, landscaped areas,
trees, shrubs, or other plants by commercial nursery customers shall be permitted
only on even numbered days between the hours of 11:00 p.m. and 6:00 a.m., and
only with a hand-held hose equipped with a positive shutoff nozzle or with drip
irrigation. Commercial nursery customers shall reduce their potable water
consumption by 25% of the customer's prior year's consumption for the
comparable billing period.

5. Outdoor irrigation or watering of turf, groundcover, gardens, landscaped areas,
trees, shrubs, or other plants by all golf course customers shall be permitted only
on odd numbered days, between the hours of 11:00 p.m. and 6:00 a.m., unless the
applicable irrigation system is equipped with an electronic moisture sensor control

1 system and/or drip irrigation system. Golf course customers shall reduce their
2 potable water consumption by 25% of their prior year's comparable billing period.

3 6. Outdoor irrigation or watering of turf, groundcover, gardens, landscaped areas,
4 trees, shrubs, or other plants at schools shall be permitted only on odd numbered
5 days, between the hours of 11:00 p.m. and 6:00 a.m., unless the applicable
6 irrigation system is equipped with an electronic moisture sensor control system
and/or drip irrigation system. Water consumption at all school property shall be
reduced by 25% of the customer's prior year's comparable billing period.

7 7. Outdoor irrigation or watering of turf, groundcover, gardens, landscaped areas,
8 trees, shrubs, or other plants at all publicly-owned property shall be permitted only
9 on even numbered days, between the hours of 11:00 p.m. and 6:00 a.m., unless the
10 applicable irrigation system is equipped with an electronic moisture sensor control
11 system and/or drip irrigation system. Water consumption at all publicly-owned
12 property shall be reduced by 25% of the customer's prior year's comparable
13 billing period unless they are using reclaimed water.

14 8. Outdoor irrigation or watering of turf, groundcover, gardens, landscaped areas,
15 trees, shrubs, or other plants for all other customers shall only be permitted as
16 follows:

17 i. Customers with addresses ending in an even number shall be permitted to
18 irrigate or water on even numbered days only and customers with addresses
19 ending in an odd number shall water on odd numbered days only. Such
20 restrictions shall not apply to any customer whose property is equipped with an
21 electronic moisture sensor control system and/or drip irrigation system.

22 ii. All watering shall be permitted only between the hours of 8:00 p.m. and 6:00
23 a.m.

24 9. Water being used during repair or maintenance of a customer's watering system
25 shall be exempt from this section.

26 10. Swimming pools, ornamental pools, fountain and artificial lakes shall not be filled
27 or refilled after being drained.

28 11. Water used for compaction, dust control, and other types of construction shall only
be authorized by a permit issued by the Department and shall be limited to the
conditions of the permit or may be prohibited as determined by the Director or his
designee.

12. All agricultural customers shall irrigate or water only at times approved by the
Department.

D. Stage IV, Water Emergency. Stage IV shall apply when the ordinary demands and
requirements of City water customers cannot be satisfied without depleting the City
water supply to the extent that there would be insufficient water for human

1 consumption, sanitation and fire protection. A water shortage emergency includes both
2 an immediate emergency, in which the City is unable to meet current water needs of
3 persons within the City, as well as a threatened water shortage, in which the City
4 determines that its supply cannot meet an increased future demand. The following
5 mandatory conservation measures shall apply during Stage IV:

- 6 1. All measures listed under Stage I (Section 13.28.080A), Stage II (Section
7 13.28.080B), and Stage III (Section 13.28.080C).
- 8 2. No potable water shall be used for construction purposes. All construction meters
9 shall be locked off or removed.
- 10 3. Commercial nursery customers shall water only on designated irrigation days
11 (based on property address number) between the hours of 11:00 p.m. and 6:00 a.m.
12 and only with a hand-held hose equipped with a positive shutoff nozzle or with a
13 drip irrigation system.
- 14 4. Outdoor irrigation or watering of turf, groundcover, gardens, landscaped areas,
15 trees, shrubs, or other plants shall be prohibited for all other customers.
- 16 5. The filling, refilling, or adding of water to uncovered swimming or wading pools
17 and spas shall be prohibited at all times.
- 18 6. The operation of any ornamental fountain or similar structure shall be prohibited.
- 19 7. The issuance of new water service connections and meters shall be prohibited.
- 20 8. Washing of vehicles or mobile equipment used for purposes such as garbage
21 collection or transporting foods shall only be allowed when health, safety, and
22 welfare of the public is contingent upon frequent vehicle cleaning, and shall be
23 authorized only pursuant to a permit issued by the Department.
- 24 9. The use of water shall be limited to essential household, commercial,
25 manufacturing, or processing uses only, except where other uses may be allowed
26 pursuant to a permit issued by the Department.
- 27 10. Other restrictions may be necessary during a declared Water Shortage Emergency,
28 to safeguard the adequacy of the water supply for domestic, sanitation, fire
protection, and environmental requirements.

13.28.090 EXEMPTIONS.

- A. No exemption shall be granted to any person for any reason in the absence of a
showing that the restrictions herein would:

- 1 1. Cause an unnecessary and undue hardship to the person or the public; or
 - 2 2. Cause an emergency condition affecting the health, sanitation, fire protection or
 - 3 safety of the person or of the public.
- 4 B. The City Manager may grant exemptions for uses of water otherwise prohibited by the
- 5 regulations set forth in Chapter 13.28. Any person requesting an exemption from the
- 6 provisions of Chapter 13.28 shall submit to the Department an application for an
- 7 exemption stating the justified circumstances. The application shall be in a form
- 8 prescribed by the Department. If the exemption is not granted, the person may submit
- 9 an appeal in writing pursuant to Section 13.28.120.
- 10 C. Inconvenience or the potential for damage to landscaping shall not be considered for
- 11 exemption from any section of this Ordinance.
- 12 D. When a Stage II or III has been declared and is in effect, a thirty-day exemption will
- 13 be granted for the installation of drought tolerant landscaping, new construction or re-
- 14 landscaping of property, only by a permit issued by the Department. No exemption
- 15 shall be granted or permit issued when a Stage IV has been declared and is in effect.

13.28.100 ENFORCEMENT.

- 14 A. Violations – In addition to the remedy of criminal prosecution available to the City as
- 15 described in Subsection 13.28.100, a violation of any water use restrictions of this
- 16 chapter 13.28 currently in effect may result in the imposition of fines, water use
- 17 restrictions, and/or termination of water service as set forth below:
- 18 1. First Violation – Notice of Non-compliance. A written warning, accompanied by a
 - 19 copy of this Ordinance, will be delivered by U.S. Mail and/or hung on customer's
 - 20 door. Any such notice of violation shall specify a reasonable period to achieve
 - 21 compliance, and shall be directed to the customer of record for the premises where
 - 22 the noncompliance was observed.
 - 23 2. Second Violation – Warning. A written warning and notice of the future
 - 24 imposition of a fine to be collected on the customer's utility bill will be issued.
 - 25 Any such notice of violation shall require compliance within in three calendar
 - 26 days, and shall be directed to the customer of record for the premises where the
 - 27 noncompliance was observed. Delivery will be made by Certified U.S. Mail and/or
 - 28 by personal delivery with a declaration of delivery returned to the City Manager.
 3. Third Violation (within one year). A citation will be issued and a fine of \$100.00
 - will be imposed and collected on the customer's next regular utility bill.
 4. Fourth Violation (within one year of the first violation). A citation will be issued, a
 - fine of \$200.00 will be imposed and collected on the customer's next regular
 - utility bill, and a flow restricting device will be installed on the meter serving the
 - customer's property for a minimum of ninety-six (96) hours. The restricted flow

1 shall meet minimum County Health Department standards, if any have been
2 established. If the ninety-six hour period ends on a weekend or holiday, full
3 service will be restored during the next business day.

4 5. Fifth Violation (within one year of the first violation). A citation will be issued, a
5 fine of \$500.00 will be imposed, and service will be terminated for such period as
6 the City Manager determines to be appropriate under the circumstances. Prior to
7 termination of service, the customer may submit an appeal pursuant to the
8 procedures set forth in Section 13.28.120. Written notice of a hearing to consider
9 any appeal shall be mailed to the customer at least ten calendar days before the
10 hearing.

11 6. Any person subject to a fine pursuant to this Section 13.28.100 may file an appeal
12 pursuant to Section 13.28.120.

13 B. Fines, Additional Charges. Any fine imposed pursuant to Chapter 13.28 shall be in
14 addition to the basic water rates and other charges of the Department for the account
15 and shall appear on and be payable with the billing statement for the period during
16 which the violation occurred; non-payment shall be subject to the same remedies
17 available to the Department as for non-payment of basic water rates.

18 In addition to any surcharge, a customer violating this Ordinance shall be responsible
19 for payment of the Department's charges for installing and/or removing any flow
20 restricting device and for disconnecting and/or reconnecting service per the
21 Department's Water Rules and Rate Schedule then in effect. Such charges shall be
22 paid prior to the removal of the flow restrictor or reconnection of service, whichever
23 the case may be.

24 C. Non-liability for Damage. The customer or resident who violates this chapter assumes
25 responsibility for injury to the customer and/or other residents/occupants receiving
26 service, including emotional distress and/or damage to the customer's private water
27 system and/or to other real or personal property owned by the customer or by a third
28 party resulting from the installation and operation of a flow restricting device or from
29 termination of service; said customer shall thereby be deemed to have:

30 1. Waived any claim for injury or for damage to the customer's property which the
31 customer may have otherwise have against the City; and

32 2. Agreed to indemnify, defend, and hold the City harmless from claims by third
33 parties for injury or property damage arising or claimed to arise out of the City's
34 installation and/or operation of a flow restricting device or termination of water
35 service.

36 **13.28.110 AUTHORITY – MISDEMEANOR.**

1 This Chapter is adopted pursuant to Section 375 of the California Water Code. Any
2 second or subsequent violation of this Chapter 13.28 after notice is provided as specified in
3 Section 13.280.100 may be prosecuted as a misdemeanor.

4 **13.28.120 APPEALS.**

- 5 A. The City Manager, or his designated Enforcement Officer, shall determine when any
6 violation of this Chapter 13.28 has occurred and shall issue a Notice of Violation. Any
7 person receiving notice of a second or subsequent violation pursuant to Section
8 13.28.100 of this chapter shall have a right to a hearing by the City Manager. The
9 customer's written request for a hearing must be received within ten calendar days of
10 mailing or other delivery of the notice of violation. Any Notice of Violation not timely
11 appealed shall be final. Upon receipt of a timely appeal, a hearing shall be scheduled
12 within fifteen calendar days. Written notice of the hearing shall be mailed at least eight
13 calendar days before the date of said hearing.
- 14 B. The customer's written request for a hearing within the ten calendar day period shall
15 automatically stay the imposition of monetary fines on the customer's utility bill until
16 the City Manager renders his or her decision. The decision of the City Manager shall
17 be final and not subject to further appeal pursuant to this code.
- 18 C. Pending receipt of a written appeal or pending a hearing pursuant to an appeal, the
19 City Manager or the Enforcement Officer may take appropriate steps to prevent the
20 unauthorized use of water as appropriate to the nature and extent of the violation and
21 the current declared water condition.

22 **13.28.130 CITY MANAGER DELEGATION.**

23 The City Manager may delegate all duties and responsibilities hereunder.

24 **13.28.140 SEVERABILITY.**

25 If any provision, section, subsection, sentence, clause or phrase of this chapter, or the
26 application of same to any person or set of circumstances is held to be unconstitutional,
27 void, or invalid, such decision shall not affect the remaining portions of this chapter which
28 shall remain in full force and effect, and all provisions of this chapter are declared to be
severable for that purpose.

13.28.150 INCOMPATIBLE PROVISIONS.

To the extent any provision of this chapter is incompatible with or at variance with any
prior adopted ordinance or resolution, the provisions of this chapter shall take precedence,
and all prior ordinances and resolutions shall be interpreted to harmonize with and not
change the provisions of this chapter.

1 **13.28.160 EXEMPTION FROM CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT**
2 **(CEQA).**

3 The City Council determines that the adoption of this chapter and implementation of
4 the measures set forth herein are exempt from review under the California Environmental
5 Quality Act of 1970 because they constitute a project undertaken as immediate action
6 necessary to prevent or mitigate a water shortage emergency, and to protect natural
7 resources.

8 **Section 3.**

9 Upon adoption by the City Council, the provisions of this chapter shall become
10 effective immediately. Notice of the implementation of successive stages of water
11 conservation shall be given to water users immediately both by publication at least
12 once in a newspaper of general circulation within ten calendar days after adoption, and
13 by notice enclosed with the next regular city invoice for water utility service or
14 delivered by U.S. Mail.

15 **Section 4.**

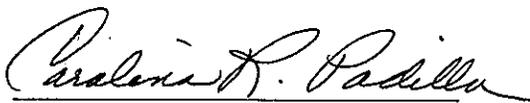
16 Introduced at a regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Colton, California,
17 held on September 2, 2014;

18 Enacted at a regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Colton, California, held
19 on September 16, 2014.

20 **PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED** this 16th day of September, 2014.

21 
22 SARAH S. ZAMORA
23 Mayor

24 ATTEST:

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26 CAROLINA R. PADILLA
27 City Clerk
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1 STATE OF CALIFORNIA)
2 COUNTY OF SAN BERNARDINO) ss
3 CITY OF COLTON)

4 CERTIFICATION

5 I, **CAROLINA R. PADILLA**, City Clerk of the City of Colton, California, do hereby
6 certify under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is a full, true and correct copy of
7 **ORDINANCE NO. O-09-14**, and was duly passed, approved, and adopted by the City
8 Council of the City of Colton at its Regular Meeting held on the **16th day of September,**
9 **2014**, by the following vote to wit:

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11 AYES: COUNCILMEMBER Toro, Gonzales, Navarro, Oliva,
Bennett, Suchil and Mayor Zamora
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13 NOES: COUNCILMEMBER None
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15 ABSTAIN: COUNCILMEMBER None
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17 ABSENT: COUNCILMEMBER None

18 **IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the official
19 seal of the City of Colton, California, this ____ day of _____, _____.

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21 _____
22 CAROLINA R. PADILLA
23 City Clerk
City of Colton, California

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