

RESOLUTION 2023-04

**A RESOLUTION OF THE UNITED WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT
DECLARING A STATE OF EMERGENCY FOR CONDITIONS RESULTING FROM
THE JANUARY 8, 2023 STORM EVENTS AND CONTINUING**

WHEREAS beginning early January 2023, the County of Ventura began experiencing significant impacts as a result of high winds and substantial precipitation brought on by a series of atmospheric river storm systems; and

WHEREAS these storms caused extreme conditions and property damage within boundaries of United Water Conservation District (“United”), which is located within the County of Ventura; and

WHEREAS the recent storm events of January 2023 have specifically caused a significant amount of property damage in and around the Lake Piru Recreation Area, an area owned and managed by United; and

WHEREAS an emergency situation exists in and around the Lake Piru Recreation Area in that the significant amount of property damage suffered needs to be repaired to prevent a threat and harm to human life and to allow United to continue to operate and manage the area; and

WHEREAS President Joseph R. Biden has approved Governor Gavin Newsom’s declaration of a State of Emergency in California due to emergency conditions resulting from severe winter storms, flooding and mud slides beginning January 8, 2023 and continuing; and

WHEREAS the President’s action authorizes FEMA to coordinate all disaster relief efforts to alleviate the hardship and suffering caused by the emergency on the local population and to provide appropriate assistance to save lives; protect property, public health and safety; and to lessen or avert the threat of a catastrophe in El Dorado, Los Angeles, Mariposa, Mendocino, Merced, Monterey, Napa, Placer, Riverside, Sacramento, San Bernardino, San Mateo, Santa Clara, Santa Cruz, Sonoma, Stanislaus and Ventura counties;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the United Water Conservation District Board of Directors declare a State of Emergency for conditions resulting from the January 8, 2023 storm event and continuing.

Adopted by the United Water Conservation District Board of Directors this 24th day of January 2023.

Bruce E. Dandy, President

Lynn E. Maulhardt, Secretary/Treasurer