SECOND ORDER OF THE COUNTY OF KINGS BOARD OF SUPERVISORS REGULATING FLOOD FLOWS IN RESPONSE TO A LOCAL EMERGENCY DUE TO FLOODING

DATE OF ORDER: MARCH 18, 2023

WHEREAS, on March 10, 2023, the Kings County Emergency Services Director issued Proclamation 23-01 pursuant to Government Code Section 8630 and Section 6-7 of the County of Kings Code of Ordinances proclaiming a local emergency in Kings County due to conditions of disaster and extreme peril to the safety of persons and property caused by the large amounts of snow accumulated in the Sierra Nevada Mountains, precipitation from atmospheric river storms and imminent flooding the County will experience as a result;

WHEREAS, on March 14, 2023, Proclamation 23-01 was ratified by the Kings County Board of Supervisors and remains in full force and effect;

WHEREAS, pursuant to Government Code Section 8634, the Board of Supervisors is empowered to make and issue orders and regulations on matters reasonably related to the protection of life and property;

WHEREAS, on March 16, 2023, the Board of Supervisors issued an order regulating flood flows;

WHEREAS, since the Board of Supervisor issued its March 16, 2023, order, emergency conditions have evolved making further action necessary;

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors, after consultation with local County officials and receiving testimony from other local agencies and members of the community, deems the following immediate actions necessary to mitigate the impending threat.

NOW, THEREFORE, it is ordered as follows:

- 1. The order and regulations issued on March 16, 2023, by the Board of Supervisors remain in full force and effect, except as modified by this order and the regulations contained herein.
- 2. The Public Works Director has delegated authority to make flood water flow alterations relative to the Board of Supervisors' orders and may consult with Supervisor Verboon, the Community Development Agency Director, and any other agencies or individuals, as necessary. Should the Public Works Director not be available within 15 minutes, the Community Development Agency Director is provided with the same delegated authority as a back up alternate. Should Supervisor Verboon not be available with 15 minutes, Supervisor Neves is provided with the same responsibility.

- 3. Planned flooding of the Tulare Lake Reclamation District No. 749 shall occur by cutting the levee at the highest point.
- 4. A copy of this order shall be posted online on the Kings County Board of Supervisors web page. Copies shall additionally be posted outside at the Kings County Government Center and in one public place within any area of the County within which this order and regulation applies. Personnel of the County of Kings shall endeavor to make copies of this order and regulation available to the news media.

Date: March 18, 2023

Richard Valle, Chairman

County of Kings Board of Supervisors

Approved as to form:

Diane Freeman, County Counsel

County of Kings