## RESOLUTION DECLARING LOCAL DISASTER EMERGENCY FOR THE 2024 ALEXANDER MOUNTAIN WILDFIRE AND THE 2024 STONE CANYON WILDFIRE

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WHEREAS, Northern Colorado Water Conservancy District's (Northern Water) operations located in Larimer County, Colorado, and Boulder County, Colorado, have suffered, or there is an imminent threat that it will suffer, from widespread or severe damage, injury, or loss of life or property resulting from the Alexander Mountain Wildfire and the Stone Canyon Wildfire (Disasters); and

WHEREAS, Larimer County, Colorado, Boulder County, Colorado, and Governor Jared Polis of the State of Colorado have declared disasters; and

WHEREAS, the cost and magnitude of responding to and recovery from the impact of the Disasters is far in excess of Northern Water's available resources; and

WHEREAS, significant infrastructure, utilities, and water impacts are expected, as well as cascading impacts of soil erosion, sedimentation, water quality, mudslide potential, and downstream water access to the Northern Colorado Front Range; and

WHEREAS, the Disasters has high potential to impact residential and commercial property, displace community members, and impact large and small animals; and

WHEREAS, Northen Water Emergency Management staff has recommended that a local disaster be declared; and

WHEREAS, is it appropriate and in the interests of public health and safety, and would further protect property, to declare a local disaster covering Northern Water's operations located in Larimer County and Boulder County; and

WHEREAS, the General Manager, as principal executive officer of Northern Water, is authorized to unilaterally declare a local disaster pursuant to §24-33.5-709, C.R.S., and the emergency management and operations plans and resolutions of Northern Water.

## NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

- 1. A local disaster for Northern Water's operations located in Larimer County, Colorado, and Boulder County, Colorado, is hereby declared. This declaration shall activate the response and recovery aspects of all applicable local and interjurisdictional disaster emergency plans and authorizes the furnishing of aide and assistance under such plans.
- 2. This resolution is effective as of the date and time given below and shall remain in effect for a period of seven days unless rescinded or extended by the Northern Water General Manager prior to expiration.
- 3. True copies of this Resolution shall be promptly filed with the Larimer County Clerk and Recorder, the Boulder County Clerk and Recorder, the Colorado Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Management, and distributed to the appropriate representatives of the news media, as necessary.

Signed and effective this 2<sup>nd</sup> day of August, 2024, at 4.23 AM/PM.

Bradley D. Wind, General Manager