

**ORDINANCE NO.**

**AN URGENCY ORDINANCE OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
OF THE COUNTY OF SHASTA,  
COUNTY SERVICE AREA NO. 25–KESWICK WATER,  
TEMPORARILY SUSPENDING CHARGES AND FEES  
FOR WATER AND RELATED SERVICES**

**WHEREAS**, on August 15, 2017, the Board of Supervisors adopted Ordinance No. 729 establishing fees for various services in County Service Area No. 25-Keswick Water; and

**WHEREAS**, on July 26, 2018 and July 27, 2018, the Carr Fire swept through the community of Keswick; and

**WHEREAS**, on July 30, 2018, the Board of Supervisors adopted a resolution proclaiming a local emergency due to the Carr Fire; and

**WHEREAS**, on August 9, 2018 and August 15, 2018, notice describing the proposed fees and charges for services was published in the Redding Record Searchlight, a newspaper of general publication in the County of Shasta, as provided in California Government Code § 66018; and

**WHEREAS**, on August 14, 2018, the Board of Supervisors adopted an urgency ordinance establishing the dangers and methods of abatement of potentially toxic ash and other hazardous substances; and

**WHEREAS**, on August 21, 2018, a public hearing was held regarding the proposed fees and charges to be suspended for services provided customers in County Service Area No. 25-Keswick Water.

**Now therefore, the Board of Supervisors of the County of Shasta hereby and ordains as follows in County Service Area No. 25 – Keswick Water:**

**Section 1. Emergency Findings**

This urgency ordinance is adopted pursuant to California Government Code Section 25123(d) and 25131 and shall take effect immediately upon its approval by at least four-fifths vote of the Board of Supervisors. The Board finds that this ordinance is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety, based upon the following facts:

- (1) A large number of residential and commercial structures burned in County Service Area No. 25-Keswick Water during the Carr Fire.
- (2) Water is essential for the reduction of exposure to potentially toxic ash and other hazardous substances.
- (3) Existence of a viable water supply is essential to rebuilding lost structures and future fire protection.

- (4) It is essential that this ordinance become immediately effective in order to mitigate the harm that could be caused to the public health and safety and for the orderly, safe redevelopment of the community of Keswick.

**Section 2. Fee Holiday**

**Late Fees:** Late fees for May-June 2018 water use in County Service Area No. 25-Keswick Water are suspended.

**Conversion of Service – Vacation:**

- (1) Conversion and restoration fees shall be suspended for establishing or removing vacation status for accounts on properties with destroyed or uninhabitable dwellings or businesses.
- (2) The nine month minimum vacation period on properties with destroyed or uninhabitable dwellings or businesses shall be suspended.

**Section 3.** This ordinance amends and supplements those portions any prior ordinance or resolution setting water rate fees for County Service Area No. 25-Keswick Water.

**Section 4.** This ordinance shall be and the same is hereby declared to be in full force and effect immediately upon its passage by a four-fifths (4/5) or greater vote. The Clerk shall cause this ordinance to be published as required by law.

**DULY PASSED AND ADOPTED** this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2018 by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Shasta, State of California, County Service Area No. 25-Keswick Water by the following vote:

AYES:  
NOES:  
ABSENT:  
ABSTAIN:  
RECUSE:

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LES BAUGH, CHAIRMAN  
Board of Supervisors  
County of Shasta  
State of California

ATTEST:

LAWRENCE G. LEES  
Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

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By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Deputy