

## **RESOLUTION 26R-04**

### **A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE BIGHORN-DESERT VIEW WATER AGENCY SUPPORTING THE CONTINUATION AND IMPROVEMENT OF ROAD MAINTENANCE SERVICES WITHIN SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY SERVICE AREA 70, ZONE R-15 (LANDERS ROAD DISTRICT), AND EXPRESSING SUPPORT FOR APPROVAL OF THE PROPOSED MEASURE BY THE SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

WHEREAS, San Bernardino County Service Area 70, Zone R-15 ("CSA 70 R-15") was established by the San Bernardino County Board of Supervisors on July 9, 1984, for the purpose of maintaining approximately 163.54 miles of unpaved roads within the community of Landers; and

WHEREAS, CSA 70 R-15 currently receives an annual service charge of \$20 per parcel on approximately 3,497 parcels, generating approximately \$70,000 annually after delinquencies to fund road grading and maintenance services; and

WHEREAS, the service charge has remained unchanged since 1984 despite substantial increases in labor, fuel, equipment, materials, maintenance, and contractor costs over the past four decades; and

WHEREAS, due to insufficient funding, road maintenance services have been reduced over time from monthly grading of primary roads to significantly reduced maintenance schedules, including reliance on limited contractor services and emergency repairs; and

WHEREAS, the deteriorating condition of unpaved roads within the Landers community contributes to erosion, washouts, dust, unsafe travel conditions, increased wear and tear on public and private vehicles and equipment (including the Bighorn-Desert View Water Agency's ("Agency") vehicles and equipment), and impacts the efficient operation and maintenance of critical public infrastructure systems; and

WHEREAS, the Agency relies upon safe and accessible roads for the operation, maintenance, inspection, repair, and replacement of water infrastructure and facilities serving the residents and customers of the Morongo Basin region and is hampered by poor condition of various roads in its service area; and

WHEREAS, inadequate road maintenance can negatively affect emergency response access, increase operating and maintenance costs for public agencies, and hinder the ability to efficiently maintain essential public services and infrastructure and the Agency has experienced each of those conditions; and

WHEREAS, maintaining and improving local roads is an important public infrastructure investment that supports community safety, protects public assets, reduces erosion impacts, and assists in preserving reliable access to water system facilities and operations; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors of the Bighorn-Desert View Water Agency finds that continued and enhanced road maintenance services within CSA 70 R-15 are in the public interest and beneficial to the residents, agencies, and infrastructure systems serving the Landers community, specifically including the Agency and its water delivery system.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Board of Directors of the Bighorn-Desert View Water Agency as follows:

The Board hereby expresses its support for efforts to maintain and improve road maintenance services within San Bernardino County Service Area 70, Zone R-15 serving the Landers community.

The Board finds that improved road maintenance is important to:

- Protect public infrastructure, including the Agency's infrastructure, from erosion and storm-related damage;
- Reduce wear and tear on Agency and other public agencies' vehicles, equipment, and infrastructure assets;
- Improve access for water system operations, maintenance, emergency response, and public safety;
- Support reliable delivery of essential public services; and
- Promote the overall health, safety, and welfare of the community.

The Board hereby respectfully encourages the San Bernardino County Board of Supervisors to vote "AYE" on the proposed measure authorizing the continuation and advancement of the CSA 70 R-15 funding and maintenance proposal.

The General Manager is authorized to transmit a copy of this Resolution to the San Bernardino County Board of Supervisors and other appropriate agencies or interested parties.

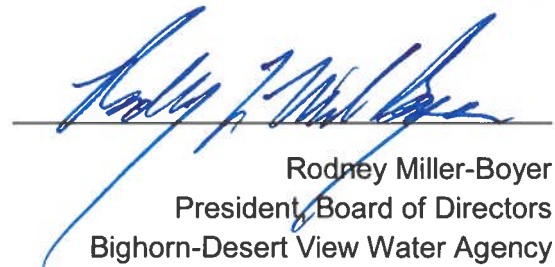
PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED this 12th day of May, 2026, by the following vote:

AYES: Miller-Boyer, Aldridge, Close-Dees, McKenzie, Martinez

NOES: none

ABSENT: n/a

ABSTAIN: n/a

  
Rodney Miller-Boyer  
President, Board of Directors  
Bighorn-Desert View Water Agency

ATTEST:

  
Megan Close-Dees, Secretary of the Board

