

**RESOLUTION NO. 2025-**

**A RESOLUTION APPROVING AND ADOPTING CASTLE ROCK  
WATER'S DROUGHT MANAGEMENT PLAN**

**WHEREAS**, the Town of Castle Rock, Colorado (the "Town") desires to have a water supply that is 75% renewable by 2050 and 100% renewable in an average water year by 2065; and

**WHEREAS**, while these changes provide a more diverse and reliable long-term water supply, it also subjects the Town to potentially larger impacts from drought as renewable supplies are significantly less available during drought conditions; and

**WHEREAS**, a drought's impacts on society and the surrounding environment can be tempered through drought preparedness, and effective drought management planning is necessary to ensure adequate water supplies for the community; and

**WHEREAS**, Castle Rock Water has developed its Drought Management Plan (the "Plan"); and

**WHEREAS**, the Plan includes both long-term drought mitigation strategies and short-term response planning elements which aim to preserve essential public services and minimize the adverse effects of drought on public health and safety, economic activity, environmental resources, and individual lifestyles during a drought event; and

**WHEREAS**, the largest change to the Plan from its last iteration (adopted in 2018) is the implementation of a reduction of residential water budget levels and an increase in the water surcharge rates during various drought stages; and

**WHEREAS**, this change is anticipated to result in higher water conservation rates while ensuring revenue stability by offsetting the negative impacts of lower water use on Castle Rock Water's revenue; and

**WHEREAS**, approximately 90% of Castle Rock Water's total costs are fixed in nature, requiring the revenue stability discussed in the Plan to keep Castle Rock Water operational through drought periods; and

**WHEREAS**, Castle Rock Water recommends that Town Council approve the Plan; and

**WHEREAS**, Town Council finds that the Plan constitutes a sound and appropriate guide to address the Town's goal to mitigate and manage the negative effects of future droughts.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE  
TOWN OF CASTLE ROCK AS FOLLOWS:**

**Section 1. Adoption.** Castle Rock Water's Drought Management Plan is hereby approved in substantially the same form as presented at tonight's meeting.

**PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED** this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2025,  
by the Town Council of the Town of Castle Rock, Colorado, on first and final reading by a vote  
of \_\_\_\_ for and \_\_\_\_ against.

**ATTEST:**

**TOWN OF CASTLE ROCK**

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Lisa Anderson, Town Clerk

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Jason Gray, Mayor

**Approved as to form:**

**Approved as to content:**

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Michael J. Hyman, Town Attorney

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Mark Marlowe, Director of Castle Rock Water