

## **BOLINAS COMMUNITY PUBLIC UTILITY DISTRICT**

### **Resolution No. 738**

**Declares An Emergency Exists and Authorizes Groundwater Monitoring Well Installation and Destruction for the Bolinas Community Public Utility District Wastewater Treatment Plant**

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WHEREAS, on January 24, 2024, the San Francisco Bay Regional Water Quality Control Board (“Water Board”) issued a letter to the Bolinas Community Public Utility District (“District”), detailing a Technical Order requiring the District to implement future upgrades at its wastewater treatment facility (“Facility”); and

WHEREAS the Technical Order directed the District to enhance groundwater monitoring and to submit a Groundwater Monitoring Well Installation Work Plan (“Work Plan”) by December 1, 2024; and

WHEREAS on November 25, 2024, the District’s Consulting Engineer, West Yost, on behalf of the District, submitted the Work Plan to the Water Board; and

WHEREAS on May 2, 2025, the Water Board issued a letter of Conditional Concurrence approving the Work Plan; and

WHEREAS the Work Plan details the District’s intention to destroy the two existing groundwater monitoring wells at the Facility due to their poor and unsalvageable condition and to install three new groundwater monitoring wells in their stead; and

WHEREAS on the first Tuesday of every month District Shift Operators collect samples from the two existing wells to test and monitor groundwater quality at the Facility, as mandated by the Water Board; and

WHEREAS the poor condition of the two existing wells means that the samples collected from these wells are easily contaminated by surface water and therefore testing these samples does not produce high quality data that reliably reflects groundwater quality; and

WHEREAS the poor condition of the existing wells means that they additionally have the potential to act as a surface water conduit to contaminate groundwater;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Board of Directors of the Bolinas Community Public Utility District as follows:

To declare that an emergency exists at the Facility to urgently address conditions to: (1) improve the monitoring of groundwater quality and (2) decrease the potential for contamination of groundwater; and

To authorize PeneCore to implement the approved Work Plan and move as quickly as is practicable to destroy the two existing wells and to install the three new wells.

IT IS HEREBY CERTIFIED that this resolution was duly introduced and adopted by the Board of Directors of the Bolinas Community Public Utility District this 18th day of June 2025, by the following vote:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT:

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President, Board of Directors

attest:

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Secretary

*As amended at a duly noticed regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Bolinas Community Public Utility District on July 16, 2025.*