Diablo Water District
Regulation No. 12
Recycled Water

Section 1. Policy

a. It is a policy of the District to require the use and integration of recycled water as a future water source and is supported by and complementary to District Regulation 8, Water-Use Efficiency. In accordance with the California Legislature's declaration that the state undertakes all possible steps to encourage development of water recycling facilities so that recycled water may be made available to help meet the growing water requirements of the state (California Water Code § 13512), the District will require the use of recycled water within its service area.

Section 2. Recycled Water System Implementation

a. Rules Governing the Use of Recycled Water
    - The District shall adopt, and from time to time update and revise, rules governing the distribution and use of recycled water, including specifications for the construction of on-site recycled water facilities and on-site system and watering requirements.

b. Standards and Specifications
    - The District shall maintain the Standards and Specifications for the construction of District-owned facilities. These shall include narratives and drawings that may be referenced for incorporation by project-specific construction documents.

c. Public Awareness Program
    - The District shall conduct a comprehensive recycled water public awareness program.

d. Coordination Among Agencies
    - The District shall continue to examine the potential for a coordinated effort between the District, Ironhouse Sanitary District, and other agencies to share in the production and utilization of recycled water.

Section 3. Recycled Water Sources and Uses

a. Source
   - Tertiary or higher-treated recycled water from Ironhouse Sanitary District.

b. Alternate Sources
   - For reasons as determined at the sole discretion of the District, the District may elect to supply the recycled water system with groundwater.

c. Authorized Use
   - The following types of water demands shall use recycled water in the District's service area: industrial process water, agricultural irrigation, non-residential landscape irrigation, landscape and/or recreation impoundments, wildlife habitat, and other uses as deemed appropriate by the District.

Section 4. Section IV. Recycled Water Connection for New Water Service Applicants

a. New Water Service Application
   - All applicants for new water service from the District shall provide the District, at the time of requesting a new water service installation, all necessary information requested by the District concerning the uses of water through the proposed connection to enable the District to make a determination whether the proposed development will qualify for recycled water service. Information shall include the total area of irrigated landscape, any planned landscape or recreational impoundments, wildlife habitat uses, the total number of toilets and urinals, and the projected water usage for any manufacturing or industrial process that is suitable for recycled water.

b. Notice
   - Upon a determination that an applicant for new water service will be required to connect to the recycled water system, the District shall provide a written notice advising the applicant of the requirements for installation of separate on-site

facilities, requirements for extension of the District's recycled water system necessary to connect to the applicant's property, user responsibilities under the rules and regulations governing the use of recycled water, current recycled water pricing, and an explanation of the applicant's right to request reconsideration or a waiver.

c. Reconsideration and Waiver Process

- Within thirty (30) days from the date of a notice of determination by the District that an applicant is required to connect to the recycled water system, the applicant may request reconsideration of the determination or waiver of the requirement. The request for reconsideration or waiver must be in writing and specify the reasons for the objection. Unless a request for reconsideration or waiver is submitted in the stated timeframe, the preliminary determination shall be final. District staff will review the request for reconsideration or waiver and will determine whether the preliminary determination should be modified or confirmed or whether a waiver should be granted.
    i. Any such waiver is subject to Board approval.

d. Cost of Facilities

- Applicants for new water connections, regardless of whether the property was previously developed or is newly developed, will be required to bear the entire cost of those facilities required to accommodate recycled water. All user-owned on-site recycled water systems shall comply with District Rules and Regulations Governing the Use of Recycled Water; California Code of Regulations Title 22, Section 60303 et seq.; and all other statutes, ordinances, regulations, and orders of federal, state, and local agencies having regulatory authority over the use of recycled water.

e. Extension of the District’s Recycled Water System

- Each Applicant for a new water connection shall be responsible for all costs of constructing a separate recycled water system for mandatory recycled water uses

on the property, including the cost of plans and permits required to operate a recycled water system. Applicants will also be required to pay the cost of constructing recycled water system and appurtenances necessary to connect Applicant's recycled water facilities to the nearest recycled water main of the District. Applicants will be required to deposit in advance the estimated cost of engineering services associated with the design of the recycled water system extension necessary to serve the property and to deposit the estimated cost of construction of the extension prior to the award of a contract.