

## **RULE 23.9 - CITY OF PACIFIC GROVE WATER ENTITLEMENT**

### **A. CITY OF PACIFIC GROVE WATER ENTITLEMENT**

1. The City of Pacific Grove Water Entitlement confers on the City of Pacific Grove, a vested property right to release up to 66 AFA of water for consumption from the California American Water Company Water Distribution System.
2. 13 AFA of metered water demand previously used by the City of Pacific Grove to irrigate its Golf Links and El Carmelo Cemetery shall be permanently suspended from use in order to provide lasting benefits to the Carmel River system.
3. Benefited Properties of the City of Pacific Grove Water Entitlement shall mean all properties that are located within the City of Pacific Grove.
4. City of Pacific Grove is authorized to separately sell, transfer and convey to owners of Benefited Properties for such consideration and upon such terms and conditions as City of Pacific Grove in its discretion may determine, such portions of the City of Pacific Grove Water Entitlement as it may choose. Any portion of the City of Pacific Grove Water Entitlement conveyed to the owner of a Benefited Property by an Assignment Document shall vest in the owner of the Benefited Property, and become appurtenant to title to the particular Benefited Property, at the time the Water Use Permit is issued as evidence of such conveyance.
5. The City of Pacific Grove Water Entitlement shall be separate and distinct from any other Allocations provided in Rule 30.
6. For purposes of collecting Capacity Fees and tracking the use of a Water Entitlement, the projected increase in Water Use Capacity of a Benefited Property shall be calculated in the manner set forth in Rule 24, as it may be amended from time to time.
7. Each Water Use Permit issued pursuant to this Rule shall represent a vested property interest upon issuance and shall not be subject to Revocation or cancellation except as expressly set forth in subparagraph B below.
8. The portion of the City of Pacific Grove Water Entitlement granted by each Water Use Permit shall not be subject to reallocation pursuant to MPWMD Rule 30.

### **B. REVOCATION, TERMINATION, OR MODIFICATION OF WATER USE PERMITS**

1. Each Water Use Permit which, on or after January 1, 2075, embodies an annual Water Entitlement in excess of requirements for planned land uses on the Benefited Property, or which purports to authorize usage in excess of the constitutional limitation (California Constitution, article 10, section 2) to

reasonable and beneficial use, shall be subject to modification, Revocation, or termination in the sole discretion of MPWMD, such that the water usage authorized thereby shall not exceed such requirements and limitations.

2. Prior to any modification, termination or Revocation pursuant to this subparagraph E, the holder of the Water Use Permit shall be entitled to notice and a hearing, and any termination, Revocation, or modification shall be subject to appeal to the Board pursuant to Rule 70 of the MPWMD Rules and Regulations.

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