Sent: Monday, January 10, 2022 5:38 PM To: <u>Delta Drought Email Subscription List</u>

Subject: JANUARY 10 WEEKLY UPDATE ON CURTAILMENT STATUS OF WATER RIGHTS AND CLAIMS IN THE DELTA WATERSHED – REIMPOSITION OF CURTAILMENTS ON SOME TRIBUTARIES

This email contains important information about the curtailment status of water rights and claims of right within the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta (Delta) watershed pursuant to orders that were issued on August 20, 2021 (Order for water rights/claims under 5,000 acre-feet and Order for water rights/claims over 5,000 acre-feet).

Based on recent water supply forecasts, **curtailment statuses have been updated to reimpose curtailments in some subwatersheds starting Tuesday, January 11, 2022.** Water supply forecasts will continue to be evaluated regularly to determine if, when, and to what extent the further re-imposition or suspension of curtailments may be appropriate, and a curtailment status update will be provided by email and web posting no later than January 18, 2022. Please check the <u>Delta Watershed Curtailment</u> <u>Status List</u> for the current curtailment status of each water right and claim in the Delta watershed.

The following priorities of right are **curtailed effective tomorrow**, **January 11, 2022**, unless and until the State Water Board advises that this determination has been updated:

- 1. Water rights and claims on the following <u>Sacramento River</u> tributaries:
 - a. Post-1914 appropriative water rights in the <u>Putah Creek</u> subwatershed outside of the Legal Delta with a priority date of 1945 or later; and
 - b. Post-1914 appropriative water rights in the <u>Cache Creek</u> subwatershed with a priority date of 1946 or later.
- 2. Water rights and claims on the following San Joaquin River tributaries:
 - a. Post-1914 appropriative water rights in the <u>Chowchilla River</u> subwatershed with a priority date of 1959 or later; and
 - b. Post-1914 appropriative water rights in the <u>Fresno River</u> subwatershed with a priority date of 1959 or later.

Available water supplies from recent precipitation events have started to decline, resulting in the reimposition of curtailments in several subwatersheds. The decision to reimpose curtailments is based on water supply forecasts from the California Nevada River Forecast Center (CNRFC) that were updated on January 10, 2022. The 50% exceedance water supply forecast was selected to determine curtailments at this time, which will be reassessed next week (or earlier if appropriate) based on daily water supply observations and updated forecasts. Demand data informing curtailments continue to be based on reported diversions from 2018.

Water right holders and claimants are responsible for monitoring their curtailment status online on the <u>Delta Watershed Curtailment Status List</u>. Notice of changes to curtailment status will not be mailed. For those with limited internet access, a pre-recorded curtailment summary can be heard on the Delta Curtailment Status phone line at (916) 323-4643.

For more information about drought in the Delta watershed, please visit the <u>Delta</u> <u>Drought webpage</u>. For more information about curtailment compliance and responses to the August 20 Orders, please visit the <u>Curtailment Compliance and Responses</u> <u>webpage</u>. The Curtailment Compliance and Responses tracker is updated regularly and can be filtered to see the latest changes. If you have any questions, you may send an email to <u>Bay-Delta@waterboards.ca.gov</u> or call the Delta Drought phone line at (916) 319-0960.