
State Water Resources Control Board

Notice of Water Right Application A030111

Rancho Canada Ventures, Inc. has filed an application to appropriate water by permit with the State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board), Division of Water Rights. The project associated with the application is located in Monterey County and would divert water from the Carmel River stream system.

The application was filed on April 22, 1992. On October 3, 2025, the State Water Board approved a petition to make changes to the application's points of diversion, purpose of use, and place of use, as well as reduce the application's maximum annual amount of water diverted. California Code of Regulations, title 23, section 792, subdivision (a)(2) requires that the State Water Board re-notice the application.

Summary of Water Right Application

Date of Filing: The application was filed on April 22, 1992.

Source of Water: The source of water is the subterranean stream of the Carmel River, which is tributary to the Pacific Ocean.

Amount: The maximum amount of water requested for diversion is 60 acre-feet per year, which would be diverted at a rate not to exceed 2.36 cubic feet per second.

Season of Diversion: The season for diversion of water is from January 1 to December 31 of each year.

Points of Diversion: Water will be diverted from five points:

- Rancho Canada Number 3 Well, located at North 2,091,347 feet and East 5,711,056 feet by California Coordinate System, Zone 4, North American Datum 1983, located within the Southwest quarter of the Southeast quarter of projected Section 18, Township 16 South, Range 1 East, Mount Diablo Base and Meridian.
- Eastwood/Canada Well, located at North 2,091,997 feet and East 5,715,154 feet by California Coordinate System, Zone 4, North American Datum 1983, located within the Northeast quarter of the Southwest quarter of projected Section 17, Township 16 South, Range 1 East, Mount Diablo Base and Meridian.

- Cal-Am Canada Number 2 Well, located at North 2,091,940 feet and East 5,715,090 feet by California Coordinate System, Zone 4, North American Datum 1983, located within the Northeast quarter of the Southwest quarter of projected Section 17, Township 16 South, Range 1 East, Mount Diablo Base and Meridian.
- Cal-Am Cypress Number 2 Well, located at North 2,087,670 feet and East 5,724,620 feet by California Coordinate System, Zone 4, North American Datum 1983, located within the Southwest quarter of the Northwest quarter of projected Section 22, Township 16 South, Range 1 East, Mount Diablo Base and Meridian.
- Cal-Am Pearse Well, located at North 2,087,360 feet and East 5,726,140 feet by California Coordinate System, Zone 4, North American Datum 1983, located within the Southeast quarter of the Northwest quarter of projected Section 22, Township 16 South, Range 1 East, Mount Diablo Base and Meridian.

Purpose of Use: The purpose of use for water is municipal.

Place of Use: The place of use for water is the California American Water Company Monterey Service Area as shown on the map dated September 11, 2018 filed with the State Water Board.

Application Documents

Documentation related to applications was previously available through the State Water Board's electronic Water Rights Information Management System (eWRIMS) database, but that system is currently unavailable. For access to the application documents, please contact Matthew McCarthy at Matthew.McCarthy@waterboards.ca.gov or (916) 341-5310 (email is the preferred means of communication).

Procedure for Filing Protests

Pursuant to Water Code section 1330, any interested person may file a protest against the approval of the subject application. Protests should be submitted via email to the staff contact listed below but may also be submitted via regular mail or hand delivered. If protests are sent by mail or hand delivered, please provide a courtesy email to the staff contact listed below. For hand delivery, please contact the State Water Board's Water Rights Records Room at dwr@waterboards.ca.gov or (916) 341-5300 to make an appointment. Protests must be received by the Division of Water Rights or postmarked by **December 22, 2025**, with copy provided to the applicant. The State Water Board may, for good cause shown, allow additional time to file a protest. For more information regarding protests, please refer to the following web page:

https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/waterrights/water_issues/programs/applications/docs/protests.pdf

Contact Information

Correspondence and questions regarding this matter should be directed to Matthew McCarthy at Matthew.McCarthy@waterboards.ca.gov or (916) 341-5310. Correspondence sent by mail should be addressed to:

State Water Resources Control Board, Division of Water Rights,
Attn: Matthew McCarthy, P.O. Box 2000, Sacramento, CA 95812-2000

All written correspondence directed to the applicant should be addressed to:

Rancho Canada Ventures, Inc.
c/o Anthony Lombardo and Associates, 144 W Gabilan St, Salinas, CA 93901

Date of Notice: The date that this public notice was issued is November 12, 2025.