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Petitions to Revise Declaration of Fully Appropriated Stream Systems -

Kings River System

Dear Mr. Moody:

Re:

This letter is sent on behalf of the Kings River Water Association (**KRWA**) and its member units¹, together with the three KRWA member units who filed one of the pending Fully Appropriated Stream (**FAS**) petitions and water rights applications: Alta, Consolidated, and Fresno Irrigation Districts (collectively, the "**Districts**"). The Districts filed their FAS petition solely as a prerequisite to filing their water rights application, which the Districts will pursue only if there is ultimately a determination that Kings River water is available for appropriation. However, there is no reasonable cause to hold a hearing on the two petitions to revise the Kings River FAS designation. The State Water Resources Control Board (**State Water Board**) should reject both pending petitions to revise the Kings River FAS status on the grounds that all Kings River flows are fully appropriated and already held under prior rights, and any flood flows that have historically left the Kings River watershed will be captured and used in the basin under those existing prior rights to comply with the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act (**SGMA**) and to support future growth demands in Fresno, Kings, and Tulare Counties, as the watershed and area of origin of the Kings River.

In addition, revising the FAS designation and processing Semitropic Water Storage District's (**Semitropic**) water rights complaint and water rights application is a waste of time and resources because Semitropic's water availability analysis is based on fundamental misunderstandings of Pine Flat Dam and Kings River operations. Semitropic's water

¹ KRWA is comprised of 28 member units, which are identified on the attached **Exhibit A**.

availability analysis, complaint, and project are all premised on the basic claim that Kings River waters are available for appropriation because flood flows periodically leave the watershed via the North Fork of the Kings River. The Semitropic project seeks to obtain a water right to divert these flood flows, however, exclusively via the South Forth of the Kings River. What Semitropic fails to consider or even mention is the United States Army Corps of Engineers (Corps) Pine Flat Reservoir Regulation Manual, Revised September 1979 (Manual), which details operations of Pine Flat Dam and the Kings River system. During extreme events, the Manual directs flood flows that are not absorbed within the North Fork or South Fork by demands of KRWA's member units under senior water rights first to the North Fork to avoid risk to life and property in the Tulare Lakebed. A copy of the Manual is attached to Exhibit B.

The Manual describes a complex system of determining how the Corps determines when and how flows must be released from Pine Flat Dam for purposes of flood control. In simple terms, the Manual looks at forecasted inflows for the season, forecasted local senior water rights usage (demands), and available vacant storage space within Pine Flat Reservoir and the up-stream reservoirs to determine flood control releases. From that, the Manual guides flood control operations of the Kings River system. That guidance balances the need for flood control while considering then existing channel constraints and the broader context of flood control in the San Joaquin Valley. Once demand has been satisfied, the Manual generally directs the initial flood releases out the North Fork until the capacity of the North Fork is reached, at which time the Corps can, as necessary, direct damaging flows to the South Fork with the stated goal of avoiding entirely or minimizing any flooding to the Tulare Lakebed. These flood protection protocols enacted under federal law are intended to protect life and property in the Kings River watershed, and will not be lessened or altered to accommodate the export of Kings River flows to Kern County. Semitropic ignores this complex process in making its seemingly simple request to the State Water Board for flood water from the South Fork of the Kings River, ironically under the guise of a "flood control project."

Semitropic also overlooks another relatively simple but critical flood control component of the Kings River System; the capacity of the South Fork. Semitropic has prematurely submitted a water availability analysis (WAA). The WAA significantly misstates the channel capacities on the South Fork. The South Fork currently has hundreds of cubic feet per second (cfs) less channel capacity than is assumed for the Semitropic's project – never mind the senior water rights holders that use the existing capacity. Semitropic claims flood waters are available for appropriation, but ignores the reality that the water Semitropic claims cannot physically be moved down the South Fork at times when those waters are allegedly available to appropriate. The WAA also erroneously fails to consider the storage rights held by KRWA in Courtright and Wishon Reservoirs (Licenses 11520 and 11522), and also omits the direct diversion right from License 11519. These issues are discussed in more detail below, and are the subject of Exhibit B, which is a critique of the WAA performed by a water resources engineering firm.

With these points in mind, State Water Board should deny both pending FAS petitions and Semitropic's pending water rights complaint.²

A. FAS Revocation Standard

Water Code section 1205(c) permits any interested person to petition the State Water Board "to revoke or revise the declaration that a stream system is fully appropriated." Regulations adopted by the State Water Board authorize the Chief of the Division of Water Rights to recommend a hearing to consider revision of the FAS Declaration upon a showing of reasonable cause: "The petition shall include hydrologic data, water usage data, or other relevant information based upon which the Chief... may determine that reasonable cause exists to conduct a hearing on the question whether the fully appropriated status of the stream system should be revoked or revised." (Cal. Code Regs., tit. 23, § 871(c)(1).)

In reviewing a petition seeking revocation or revision to the FAS Declaration, "the focus of [the Chief of the Division of Water Rights] inquiry . . . is only the relatively narrow task of determining if the evidentiary record supports revising the fully appropriated stream status." (In Matter of Petitions to Revise Declaration (Santa Ana River) WR 2000-12, p. 15.) The key issue is whether there exists "changed circumstances" from the conditions present at the time the original FAS Declaration was enacted, and this analysis consists of two elements: (1) the petitioner must show whether the water at issue is "new water," or water that would not have reached the stream at the time the orders were made that support the declaration that the stream is fully appropriated; and (2) the petitioner must show that, if the water is new water, circumstances have changed so that it would have been available for appropriation by new users during the relevant time period without interference, curtailment or injury to prior right holders. (Draft Order Denying Petition to Revise the Declaration on Fully Appropriated Stream – American River (2003), p. 16, 22, 28; see also Cal. Code Regs., tit. 23, § 871(b).) Therefore, the appropriate testimony for the hearing must include limitations on water rights holders that existed at the time the decisions were issued that support the FAS Declaration.

California law requires that the State Water Board recognize and protect existing rights before making an unappropriated water finding. (*United States v. State Water Resources Control Board (United States)* (1986) 182 Cal.App.3d 82,102-103; (*Meridian, Ltd. v. San Francisco (Meridian, Ltd.)* (1939) 13 Cal.2d 424; Wat. Code, § 1375(d).) Any appropriation approved by the State Water Board is subject to the requirement that vested rights and prior existing appropriative rights remain unaffected by such approval. (*United States*, 182 Cal.App.3d at 103; Wat. Code, § 1228.6(a)(1).) Water does not become "unappropriated" unless it "has ceased to be put to some useful or beneficial purpose." (Wat. Code, § 1202(b).)

² The Districts request that the State Water Board maintain on file, and in first priority position, the Districts' pending water rights application. The purpose of this request is to maintain the priority of Kings River Water for use within the Kings River Watershed. (See Wat. Code, § 11460.)

Importantly, it has long been the rule in California that the party claiming there is excess water available for appropriation bears the burden of proving the claim. (*Peabody v. Vallejo (Peabody)* (1935) 2 Cal.2d 351, 381). As the California Supreme Court held in *Peabody*, "... when one enters a field of water supply and seeks by appropriation to take water from such supply on the claim that there is more than sufficient for all reasonable beneficial uses by those who have the prior and preferential right, it would seem to comport with the principles of fairness and justice that the appropriator, in whatever way the issue may arise, should have the burden of proving that such excess exists." (*Ibid.*) This rule comports with California Evidence Code section 500, which provides that, "a party has the burden of proof as to each fact the existence or nonexistence of which is essential to the claim for relief or defense that he is asserting." (See also *Barnes v. Hussa (Barnes)* (2006) 136 Cal.App.4th 1358, 1366.)

Following the hearing, the Chief may recommend, or decline to recommend, that the State Water Board adopt an order revoking or revising the FAS Declaration. The Chief's recommendation "may be based upon any relevant factor, including but not limited to a change in circumstances from those considered in a previous water right decision determining that no water remains available for appropriation, or upon reasonable cause derived from hydrologic data, water usage data, or other relevant information" (Cal. Code Regs., tit. 23, § 871(b).)

B. Procedural Posture

KRWA and the Districts take the position that the FAS designation for the Kings River should remain in place and the two petitions dismissed – i.e., status quo. Semitropic takes the position that its FAS petition should be granted. It is Semitropic that is claiming there are flows available for appropriation and, therefore, "changed circumstances" and "reasonable cause" to hold a FAS hearing. As such, Semitropic bears the burden of proving the facts supporting a finding of "changed circumstances" and "reasonable cause" to hold a FAS revocation hearing. (See *Peabody*, supra, at p. 381; Evidence Code section 500; *Barnes*, supra, at p. 1366.)

C. Physical Setting of the Kings River and Flood Flows

The Kings River originates high in the Sierra Nevada and, after flowing through Fresno, Kings and Tulare Counties, historically terminates in Tulare Lake (what is now referred to as the "Tulare Lakebed"). The North Fork, in high flow years, joins the San Joaquin River. The South Fork terminates in the Tulare Lakebed. As measured at the Pine Flat Dam, the Kings River has an average annual flow of approximately 1.7 million acre-feet ("acre-feet" or "af"), although its year-to-year flows are highly variable. The hydrology of the Kings River has produced flood years, on average, about once every three years. However, several flood years often occur in sequence, with significant below-average water years in between those high flow years.

Pine Flat Dam is a federally-regulated flood control facility authorized for construction by the 1944 Flood Control Act. The purpose of this act was to provide flood protection to the Tulare Lakebed. In conjunction with the construction of Pine Flat Dam the Manual was developed to provide guidance on the operations of Pine Flat and the Kings River. The Manual's guidance regarding the Kings River system balances water deliveries to senior rights holders with the needs for flood control while considering then existing channel constraints and the broader context of flood control in the San Joaquin Valley. Under certain conditions, if a flood release is necessary, the Manual directs initial flows out the North Fork of the Kings River, via the Army/Island Weir Complex and Fresno Slough. Those flows can reach the Delta Mendota Pool and, eventually, the San Joaquin River. In extreme conditions, as necessary, but only after the North Fork is at capacity, the Manual directs damaging flows to the Tulare Lakebed via the South Fork. A visual depiction of these flood control facilities is found in Chart 7 of the Manual. There is significant risk to life and property when flood conditions require flows reaching the Tulare Lakebed, and so it is the policy of the Corps, as set forth in the Manual, "to eliminate or minimize flood flows from Kings River into Tulare Lakebed, without causing flooding along the channels of Kings River North " (Manual, section 17, objective a.2.)

D. Kings River Water Rights and FAS Declaration

Appropriation of Kings River flows for irrigation and other uses dates back to before California was admitted as a state. (State Water Board Decision 1290, p. 10. 3) KRWA's member units held riparian and pre-1914 appropriative rights to the historic flows of the Kings River. These entities formed the KRWA in 1927, and later filed applications to appropriate all Kings River flows. Some of these applications are dated as early as 1916. The predecessor agency to the State Water Board issued eight permits for the applications and, ultimately, six licenses were issued to cover all the applications.

Attached as **Exhibit C** is a one-page summary of the Kings River licenses held by the KRWA in trust for its 28 member units: license numbers 11517-11522 (collectively referred to as the "Licenses"). As shown on the summary, the Licenses allow storage of up to 2,169,700 acre-feet annually in Pine Flat and associated auxiliary reservoirs. In addition, the Licenses authorize maximum beneficial use of 3,134,600 acre-feet annually. The Licenses cap the total amount of water diverted from the source at 3,971,200 acre-feet annually. This volume of runoff from the Kings River natural flow has only been exceeded three times since 1895.

As described in Decision 1290, the average annual water supply from the Kings River during the period 1896-1966 was 1,626,526 acre-feet, while the maximum flow year came in 1906 and was 3,958,300 acre-feet. Thus, the Licenses' quantities exceeded the pre-Decision 1290 maximum flow year. This fact was confirmed in Decision 1290, which provides:

³ State Water Board Decisions will hereinafter be referred to as "Decision" followed by the number assigned to the decision

[T]he amounts of water applied for . . . exceed the long-term mean annual runoff . . . and, in addition, include flood flows in order to utilize the entire flow of the Kings River. . . . [I]t must be concluded that the prior major applications which are to be approved will appropriate essentially all of the available unappropriated water of the Kings River." (Decision 1290, pg. 37-38.)

Decision 1290 further provides:

It is the intention of KRWA to utilize all of the runoff of the river. While this is not possible in years of extreme flood, the association (KRWA) members have planned their overall project to take maximum advantage of all storage facilities available to them. This includes recharge of groundwater and underground storage as well as the storage of floodwaters in Tulare Lake Basin and maximum retention in Pine Flat Reservoir. (Decision 1290, pg. 35.)

Decision 1290 memorialized the understanding that KRWA and its member units may utilize all of the flows of the Kings River through, in part, groundwater recharge and storage projects. This is even more critical today as those member units comply with SGMA and seek to balance their groundwater subbasins over the next 20 years.

Subsequent to Decision 1290, there have been only three years when Kings River flows exceeded the maximum annual diversion/storage cap in the Licenses. Notwithstanding these outlier years (3 years out of a flow record spanning more than 120 years), the State Water Board underwent the Fully Appropriated Stream process, and through that process reconfirmed that the Kings River is fully appropriated. The Kings River is listed as Fully Appropriated year-round in Order WR 89-25, the original FAS Declaration, and the Kings River system remains listed on the most recent FAS Declaration, which was updated with the issuance of State Water Board Orders WR 91-07 and WR 98-08.

E. Federal Regulation for Flood Protection

Federal statutory law and regulations govern flood control regulation associated with the nation's dams and reservoirs constructed with federal funds for purposes including flood control. (See 33 U.S.C., § 700 et seq.; 33 C.F.R., § 208.11.) Pine Flat Dam and Reservoir were constructed pursuant to specific authorization in the Flood Control Act of 1944. (Pub.L. No. 78-534, (1944) 58 Stat. 901.) In pertinent part, the authorizing language provides, "The project for flood control and other purposes for the Kings River and Tulare Lake Basin, California, is hereby authorized substantially in accordance with plans contained in House Document No. 630, Seventy-sixth Congress, third session, with such modifications thereof as in the discretion of the Secretary of War and the Chief of Engineers may be advisable" (*Ibid.*) The Flood Control Act of 1944 further requires the Secretary of the Army to prescribe regulations for the use of storage allocated to flood control at all reservoirs constructed wholly

or in part with federal funds provided on the basis of that purpose, and also requires that the operation of any such project be in accordance with those regulations. (Flood Control Act of 1944, Pub.L. No. 78-534, (1944) 58 Stat. 887. Regulations subsidiary to the Flood Control Act further require the Secretary of the Army to develop a "water control plan" for the operation of such reservoirs. (33 C.F.R. § 208.11.)

The Manual is the "water control plan" for Pine Flat Dam and Reservoir, and the Kings River. The Corps originally developed the Manual in 1959, and revised it in 1979. Releases from Pine Flat Reservoir are further regulated by numerous downstream diversion structures for purposes of irrigation and flood control. (Manual, p. 16.) Pine Flat is operated for flood control and conservation purposes to achieve four primary objectives:

- 1. To restrict flows in downstream channels of the Kings River and its distributaries to non-damaging rates;
- 2. To eliminate or minimize flood flows from Kings River into Tulare Lakebed, without causing flooding along the channels of Kings River North or causing flood damage along San Joaquin River below Mendota Dam over that which would occur under preproject conditions;
- 3. To assist indirectly in providing flood protection along the San Joaquin River; and
- 4. To provide the maximum practicable amount of storage space for irrigation water without impairment of the flood-control functions.

(Manual, section 17, p. 15.)

KRWA has permission from the Corps to operate the Army Weir, which controls the bifurcation of flows between the North and South Forks of the Kings River, in accordance with agreements among water users. (Manual, p. 15.) The Army Weir is also the primary diversion structure on the Kings River for purposes of flood control operations. (Manual, p. 16.)

Flood control releases are subject to the Flood Control Diagram contained in the Manual (Chart A-8). Based on forecasted runoff, irrigation demand, and vacant storage space the diagram is used to determine the necessary release from Pine Flat Reservoir at any particular time of year. The diagram is designed to reserve flood control space during the winter season for rain floods and to prepare for spring snowmelt floods. (Manual, p. A-4.). During a flood release, water is first delivered to member units based upon demand. Once demand is satisfied, generally, flood released water is initially directed out the North Fork up to the capacity of the North Fork (set at 4,750 cfs pursuant to Note 2 of the "Use of Diagram" key on Chart A-8), . When the North Fork capacity is reached, damaging flood flows are then, as necessary, sent to the South Fork, which ends up in Tulare Lakebed. (Manual, p. 17.)

Prior to February 1, the Flood Control Manual imposes strict protocol mandating flood releases when Pine Flat storage encroaches on designated flood control space. During this period, when stored water is in the "Flood Control Space," the Manual provides that water is to be released "as rapidly as possible without exceeding 4,750 cfs below Crescent Weir [on

the North Fork] or causing flood flows to Kings River South." (Manual, Chart A-8.) After February 1, the Corps and KRWA have more discretion in when and how to make flood releases, but there is no change to the mandate that flows are routed to the North Fork of the Kings River to prevent flooding of the Tulare Lakebed.

When flood releases are not required—as determined by the diagram—outflows depend on irrigation demand and fishery requirements. KRWA and the then-named California Department of Fish and Game signed an agreement in 1964 establishing minimum releases and rates of change for releases from Pine Flat Reservoir and flows at Centerville Bottoms to benefit fish and wildlife on the Kings River. (Manual, p. 16.) The agreements provide for a minimum release of 25 cfs from Pine Flat Reservoir and for up to 100 cfs at Centerville Bottoms, depending on the time of year and the volume of runoff during the previous water year. (Flood Control Manual, Chart 17.) The minimum flow requirements noted in the Manual have been superseded by the 1999 Kings River Fisheries Program Framework Agreement executed between California Department of Fish and Game, Kings River Conservation District and the KRWA. That agreement: established a temperature control pool for Pine Flat Reservoir of 100,000 acre-feet; set year around minimum flow requirements of 100 cfs in all years; set minimum flow requirement of 250 cfs in the wettest quartile of years; established a number of downstream flow requirements; established a capital contribution to the program; and established a number of management objectives for the reservoir and various river reaches. The Manual further states that, with a few exceptions, "virtually all use of Kings River water [for irrigation] between Piedra [located just below Pine Flat Lake] and Mendota [located at the confluence of the North Fork of the Kings River and the San Joaquin River] is being administered by the Kings River Water Association." (Manual, p. 24.) Irrigation releases are based on day-to-day requests made to the Kings River Watermaster. (Manual, p. A-4.)

Any releases in excess of irrigation demands are restricted to channel capacities or as otherwise determined by the Corps. Releases of flood water to Tulare Lake are delayed as long as possible to permit harvesting of crops, and flows in the North Fork are restricted when they would cause San Joaquin River flows to exceed pre-project quantities. (Manual, p. A-2).

Once a flood release is deemed necessary, the Corps takes over control of Pine Flat Reservoir and the Kings River. The KRWA works closely with the Corps to aid in administering the river on its behalf. In summary, there are established requirements in the Manual that divest KRWA of discretion in making flood releases. The rate and direction of diversion of flood waters is explicitly detailed in the Manual diagram, and additional agreements among water users determine outflows for irrigation and fish and wildlife.

F. There Is No Reasonable Cause Justifying a Hearing on the Petitions

There is no reasonable cause to hold a hearing on the petitions, nor changed conditions on the Kings River demonstrating the presence of water available for appropriation.

1. The Proposed Semitropic Project Conflicts with the Manual Approved Under Federal Flood Control Law

Article VI, clause 2 of the U.S. Constitution is the Supremacy Clause, which provides that Congress has the power to preempt state law. (See *Crosby v. Nat'l Foreign Trade Council (Crosby)* (2000) 530, U.S. 363, 372.) For reservoir/dam projects built with federal funding and for flood control purposes, such as Pine Flat Dam and Reservoir, Congress has preempted state law with an extensive statutory/regulatory scheme. (See 35 U.S.C., § 700 et seq.; 33 C.F.R., §208.11.) Federal law specifically requires the Corps to develop flood control and navigation regulations for these federal projects. (35 U.S.C., § 709.) The Corps has published regulations addressing the subject and authorizing flood control pursuant to "water control plans." (33 C.F.R., §208.11.) The Manual governing Pine Flat and the Kings River is a "water control plan."

Semitropic's FAS petition, water rights application, water availability analysis and water rights complaint filed with the State Water Board are all in support of a water supply project called the "Tulare Lake Storage and Flood Control Project" (Semitropic Project). In addition to the aforementioned filings with the State Water Board, Semitropic has also submitted a detailed grant application to the California Water Commission in an attempt to secure \$452,000,000 for the Semitropic Project. The California Water Commission denied Semitropic's grant application in its entirety, but project documentation remains available on the Water Commission's website: https://cwc.ca.gov/pages/WSIP.aspx. The State Water Board submitted a November 13, 2017 comment letter that raised concerns regarding the lack of underlying water rights for the Semitropic Project.

Semitropic is attempting to prove that water for its project is available to appropriate from the South Fork of the Kings River because federally directed flood flows occur on the North Fork of the river. To protect life and property, damaging flood flows that are not absorbed within the North Fork or South Fork by KRWA's member units are directed first to the North Fork as provided in the Manual. The Manual sets forth clear objectives to protect the South Fork and Tulare Lakebed from flooding conditions. Thus, Semitropic is petitioning the State Water Board to revoke the FAS designation and issue a water right permit/license to force more floodwater flow down the South Fork, and less water flow to the North Fork without even considering the Manual's rules or how the Kings River is operated under the Manual.

Simply put, the State Water Board cannot issue a water right permit/license that conflicts with the flood control procedures set forth in the Manual – or any other flood control actions authorized by the Corps. Any such permit/license would be null and void. Without the authority to re-route flood flows from the North Fork to the South Fork, there is no water source for the Semitropic Project. As such, there is no reasonable cause to revoke the Kings River FAS designation for the processing of Semitropic's pointless water right application.

2. Semitropic's Water Availability Analysis Contains Significant Errors and Fails to Address Both the Federally-Mandated Flood Control Operations and the South Fork Channel Capacity Limitations

Semitropic's WAA purports to compare the historic Kings River flows with existing rights, and erroneously concludes that water was available in 18 of the 63 years studied, with an average amount available in those years of 18,506 af. **Exhibit B** to this letter is an analysis of Semitropic's WAA performed by water resources engineers Nicholas Bonsignore and Vincent Maples at Wagner & Bonsignore. As set forth therein, the Semitropic WAA is factually inaccurate and wholly ignores the real-world limitations imposed by the Corps' flood control operations and South Fork channel capacity limitations. Following is a summary of the errors and omissions from the Semitropic WAA, and full details/analysis are found in **Exhibit B**.

The vast majority of the existing water rights on the Kings River are accounted for in the six licenses held in trust by KRWA. Semitropic's WAA *omitted large quantity water rights in three of the six licenses*. In this regard, Semitropic's WAA failed to consider:

License 11520, which is the storage right in Wishon reservoir (located upstream of Pine Flat Lake), and allows for an annual storage of 128,600 af;

License 11522, which is the storage right in Courtright reservoir (also located upstream of Pine Flat), and allows for an annual storage of 123,000 af; and

The Pine Flat direct diversion right from License 11519, which allows for use of 3,059 cfs during the period May 1 through July 31.

When correcting for these major errors and making other minor adjustments, and assuming the same WAA methodology used by Semitropic, the Wagner & Bonsignore analysis found that the Semitropic WAA should have found available water only in 5 of the 63 years, with an average amount available in those years of 5,393 acre-feet. Thus, when the Semitropic methodology is correctly applied, there is more than a 70% reduction in the years and quantities of water available. The Wagner & Bonsignore analysis points out that the Semitropic WAA totally ignores the federally mandated flood control operations that direct damaging flood water away from the South Fork points of diversion identified in Semitropic's water rights application. Amazingly, the Semitropic WAA assumes available South Fork channel capacity of 2,200 cfs. In fact, channel capacity on the South Fork is approximately 1,400 cfs⁴, and most or all of this capacity is used by existing water rights holders during most conditions to meet actual demand of those senior water rights holders. It is not an exaggeration to say that a Semitropic diversion at 2,200 cfs is literally impossible on the South Fork of the Kings River. Ironically, Semitropic bills its project as a flood control

⁴ See May 29, 2019 letter from Kings River Conservation District, p. 2, attached as **Exhibit F**.

project. Nothing could be further from the truth. The project's facilities rely on water being pumped into the project for conveyance and storage. One operational hiccup, such as a power system or pump failure, would divert water into Tulare Lakebed conveyance facilities, which would overwhelm them and result in flooding and major property damage.

In summary, and as explained in more detail in **Exhibit B** to this letter, the Semitropic WAA lacks credibility and fails to demonstrate "reasonable cause" upon which to hold a hearing on the FAS petition.

3. Subbasins Within the Kings River Service Area are Critically Overdrafted and Kings River Flood Flows Will Be Used to Meet SGMA Mandates in the Kings River Watershed – Fresno, Kings and Tulare Counties

The Kings River Service Area covers portions of Fresno, Kings and Tulare Counties; and also covers all or portions of three subbasins pursuant to Bulletin 118, Kings (5-22.08), Tulare Lake (5-22.12), and Delta-Mendota (5-22.07), all of which have been declared by the Department of Water Resources as critically overdrafted and have been ranked a "high" priority basin. Based on Bulletin 118 alone, the demand for all of the waters of the Kings River has been objectively proven. Indeed, *Bulletin 118 demonstrates that not enough waters exist in the Kings and Tulare Lake subbasins to comply with SGMA*. Improvements to inflow forecasting techniques and optimization of senior water rights to meet changing demands and compliance with SGMA have significantly reduced recent flood flows leaving the Kings River watershed and will drastically reduce any future flood flows. It is therefore patently false to suggest there are unappropriated waters available on the Kings River. (See Decision 906, where the Board found despite no attempt being made to determine the quantity of Kings River water diverted to Tulare Lake Basin, none was necessary in view of the ground-water overdrafts as stated in Bulletin 2 and the importation of water to the area from the Friant-Kern Canal.)⁵

Decision 1290 was adopted in 1967 and explicitly acknowledged occasional flood events on the Kings River. (Decision 1290, p. 35.) Nevertheless, Decision 1290 determined the Kings River was fully appropriated. This decision has been considered by the State Water Board on two subsequent occasions, and both times upheld. (State Water Board Orders WR 91-07 and WR 98-08.)

Although there are no "changed circumstances" that support revoking the Kings River FAS designation, there are circumstances bolstering the FAS designation. Specifically, the mandates of SGMA in Fresno, Kings and Tulare Counties will require full utilization of the

⁵ "No attempt has been made here to determine the quantity of Kings River water divert to Tulare Lake Basin. However, in view of the ground-water overdrafts as stated in Bulletin 2 and the importation of water to the area from the Friant-Kern Canal, it may be assumed that all Kings River water diverted southward toward Tulare Lake Basin is beneficially used." (P. Decision 906, p. 6)

entire yield of the Kings River, including flood flows, which is held under license by KRWA. Fresno, Kings, and Tulare Counties overlie and rely on groundwater basins subject to SGMA: the Kings Subasin, Tulare Lake Subbasin, and portions of the Delta-Mendota Subbasin. Attached hereto as **Exhibit D** is a technical memorandum summarizing the SGMA agencies, issues and potential water recharge project locations within these subbasins.

Within the three-county Kings River watershed there are seven GSAs in the Kings Subbasin, six GSAs in the Tulare Lake Subbasin, and one GSA in the Delta-Mendota Subbasin. **Exhibit D** to this letter summarizes each of these GSAs, including participating agencies, acreage, and location. These GSAs have seen declared "critically overdrafted" and ranked "high" priority by the Department of Water Resources. Hydrologic engineering analysis indicates an annual regional groundwater overdraft of over 120,000 af in the Kings Subbasin and another 100,000 af in the Tulare Lake Subbasin. Depriving the Kings River Watershed of access to all Kings River water will only exacerbate overdraft conditions and make it nearly impossible for GSAs to achieve sustainability goals and avoid undesirable results.

Again, the GSA planning process is new, but there are already many groundwater banking projects being planned. Some of these projects are identified in the Districts' water right application that was submitted along with the FAS petition, while others will emerge in future planning. (See **Exhibit E** to this letter, which is a list of groundwater banking/recharge projects identified in the Districts' water right application.) **Exhibit D** to this letter has a map showing the locations of future banking/recharge projects. (See Figure 2 to Exhibit D.) The Districts currently participate in the Kings Basin Water Authority (IRWP) process that has developed new water storage/banking facilities via successful grant applications under Propositions 13, 50, and 84. The Kings River water users have demonstrated their abilities to fund and develop groundwater storage/recharge projects, and intend to capture and store all Kings River flows in an effort to meet groundwater sustainability goals, and to help with water supply for regional growth.

Semitropic's Project seeks to capture and use the same Kings River waters that the KRWA's member units must rely on for SGMA compliance and regional growth. In support of its petition, Semitropic points to the fact that Kings River waters have left the system during major flood events. As explicitly stated in Decision 1290, historically, it has not been possible for KRWA's member units to capture all flood flows; however, the KRWA's member units and the regional GSAs must capture and use all Kings River water, including flood flows to comply with SGMA. Additionally, allowing Semitropic to export Kings River water would have direct negative impacts on the 16 Disadvantaged Communities and 24 Severely Disadvantaged Communities located within the Kings Subbasin and Tulare Lake Subbasin. (See Exhibit D, p. 8.)

⁶ See Exhibit D, Technical Memorandum authored by Provost & Pritchard engineer Kevin R. Johansen (Technical Memorandum), p. 2.

The State Water Board should recognize and protect the holders of water users having prior and paramount rights to all of the Kings River waters for use in compliance with statutorily mandated SGMA programming. In Decision 1290, the Board quotes *Meridian*, *Ltd. v. San Francisco*, which indicates that the State Water Board, like a court, has the obligation to protect those holders of prior water rights:

It should be the first concern of the court in any case pending before it and of the [Board] in the exercise of its powers under the act to recognize and protect the interest of those who have prior and paramount rights to the use of the waters of the stream. (*Meridian*, *Ltd.* at p. 424.)

The State Water Board has applied similar logic to limit diversions of water where they would impact an overdrafted groundwater basin that is hydrologically connected with the relevant surface stream. In Order WR 2006-0001, the State Water Board issued a cease and desist order to, and imposed administrative civil liability on, Lake Arrowhead Community Services District for diverting water in excess of the district's pre-1914 appropriative right in Lake Arrowhead. The Board held that: (1) the original pre-1914 consumptive right was limited to 1,566 acre-feet per year; and (2) the district's water use above that amount could not be authorized as a change in a separate pre-1914 non-consumptive, recreational right, partly because the downstream Mojave groundwater basin had been in overdraft since the 1950s and the change in the non-consumptive right would have injured the groundwater users in that basin. (Order WR 2006-0001, pp. 10, 18.)

The logic of Order WR 2006-0001's reliance on injury to groundwater users in a hydrologically connected and overdrafted basin in rejecting a change to an *existing* appropriative right applies even more forcefully here. Semitropic seeks to establish that there is water available for a *new* appropriative right to export water to a basin that is not hydrologically connected to the proposed source stream. That water, however, is one of the sources of recharge on which groundwater users rely in overdrafted basins along the Kings River. Under the principle stated in Order WR 2006-0001, that water is not available for the sort of appropriation that Semitropic proposes.

By exporting water from critically overdrafted groundwater basins, Semitropic's project would severely impact already critically overdrafted basins ranked as high priority by the Department of Water Resources. If any floods flows are found to be available for appropriation and exported out of the Kings River watershed, then conditions of the subbasins will only be exacerbated to the detriment of disadvantaged communities, residents, and landowners. Without retaining already appropriated Kings River floodwaters in the Kings River watershed for surface water deliveries and groundwater recharge within the basin, agricultural lands will have to be fallowed, city growth will be curtailed or altogether suspended, water supplies will be rationed, and the quality of life in Fresno, Kings and Tulare Counties will be irreversibly and negatively impacted.

4. Semitropic's Claims That KRWA Is Underutilizing Storage and Use of Water in the Tulare Lakebed is Factually False and a Red Herring

Semitropic's assertion that waters have not been put to reasonable and beneficial use within the Kings River Service Area is without merit. In various filings Semitropic alleges that KRWA is not making full beneficial use of its water rights because water is only infrequently stored in the Tulare Lakebed. This argument is a complete red herring, and fails to account for flood control operations at Pine Flat and regionally, which operations are mandated by the Corps. The argument also ignores the beneficial use of floodwaters by non-KRWA water users who receive flood flows via Fresno Slough and downstream in and near the Delta Mendota Pool. While it is true that flood control operations on the Kings River have managed to avoid flooding of productive farmland in the Tulare Lakebed in all but the most extreme flood events, when occasional flood flows do occur in the Lakebed, they are either directly used or stored and then used for in-lieu recharge. To suggest these waters will suddenly be available for appropriation to a different watershed, different county and different subbasin, will only exacerbate the critically overdrafted subbasins underlying the Kings River Service Area. Finally, it is important to note that the quantities allowed for storage and direct diversion under the two Tulare lakebed licenses (11517 and 11521) were determined based on the actual amounts that reached the Lakebed in 1969.

5. Semitropic's Petition and Application Contravene Area of Origin Law and Policy

Revoking the FAS to allow for export of Kings River flows would violate Water Code sections 11460 and 11463 by utilizing State Water Project facilities to export water that is necessary to meet beneficial needs within the watershed of origin. Semitropic seeks to revoke the FAS designation in order to process an application for a flawed project to appropriate Kings River waters and transfer those waters via the California Aqueduct. Doing so would deprive water users within the watershed of origin of water "reasonably required to adequately supply the beneficial needs," and is, therefore, prohibited under Water Code section 11460.

The California Legislature has repeatedly articulated a clear statewide policy that regions in which water originates should have a priority to that water as against those who would export it for use elsewhere. Consistent with this longstanding State policy, Kings River water should be used in the Kings River watershed before it is exported to areas that provide no benefit to the counties served by the Kings River. Semitropic seeks to revise the Kings River FAS for a project that would take water from a State-declared critically overdrafted basin and use such waters on lands wholly outside the watershed of origin. The precedent set by allowing Semitropic to violate the principal of "local water for local needs" would have wide-ranging implications well beyond the Kings River service area. As discussed above, the fully appropriated water resources of the Kings River are vital and necessary for regional compliance with SGMA. Any benefits to Semitropic from its project will be at the expense of every person within the Kings River watershed of origin, which includes the Districts.

6. Tulare Lake Basin Water Storage District Opposes the Project

Semitropic asserts in its water rights application that, in regards to a right of access, it believes Tulare Lake Basin Water Storage District (**TLBWSD**) owns or administers points of diversion upstream of the lands to which Semitropic holds easements and licenses and is "confident it will obtain the necessary consent" needed from TLBWSD for the right of access necessary for the project. TLBWSD **opposes** the Semitropic project in its entirety and will not consent to any requests from Semitropic for the proposed project, including improvements to the Empire No. 2 structure.

G. Conclusion

There is no Kings River water available for appropriation. The Semitropic Project is predicated on the false premise that Semitropic can obtain a water right compelling the Corps to fundamentally alter its Manual and redirect tens/hundreds of thousands of af of flood flow to the South Fork for the benefit of Semitropic (and to the detriment of life and property in the three counties). Semitropic has not and will not receive the consent of local agencies to complete the project. Proceeding with a FAS hearing is a waste of time and money for all involved. KRWA and the Districts encourage the State Water Board not to promote the transfer of resources from critically overdrafted areas in an attempt to alleviate overdraft conditions in neighboring, non-hydraulically connected subbasins. The State Water Board should determine that no reasonable cause exists to conduct a hearing on the question of the whether to revoke the Kings River FAS Declaration.

Very truly yours,

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EXHIBIT A

KRWA Member Units

Alta Irrigation District

Burrel Ditch Company

Clark's Fork Reclamation District #2069

Consolidated Irrigation District

Corcoran Irrigation Company

Crescent Canal Company

Empire West Side Irrigation District

Fresno Irrigation District

James Irrigation District

John Heinlen Mutual Water Company

Kings River Water District

Laguna Irrigation District

Last Chance Water Ditch Company

Lemoore Canal & Irrigation Company

Liberty Canal Company

Liberty Mill Race Company

Lovelace Water Corporation

Peoples Ditch Company

Reed Ditch Company

Riverdale Irrigation District

Southeast Lake Water Company

Stinson Canal & Irrigation Company

Stratford Irrigation District

Tranquillity Irrigation District

Tulare Lake Basin Water Storage District

Tulare Lake Canal Company

Tulare Lake Reclamation District #761

Upper San Jose Water Company



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TECHNICAL MEMORANDUM

To:

Kings River Water Association, Consolidated Irrigation District,

Fresno Irrigation District, and Alta Irrigation District

From:

Nicholas F. Bonsignore, P.E. and Vincent Maples, P.E.

Date:

May 29, 2019

Re:

Comments on Water Availability Analysis for Water Right Application 32815 of

Semitropic Improvement District

This Memorandum discusses our review of the water availability analysis (WAA) prepared by West Yost Associates for water right Application 32815 (A032815) of Semitropic Improvement District (SID)¹, as well as certain operational and physical constraints in the Kings River system related to management of flood flows that are relevant to determining whether any actual flows may be available for appropriation at SID's proposed points of diversion.

As used in this Memorandum, the term "water available for appropriation" means water that would be available to SID under Application 32815 after considering senior water rights on the Kings River system. It is noted that the SID WAA did not consider pending Application 32810, filed by Consolidated Irrigation District, Fresno Irrigation District, and Alta Irrigation District, to be a senior right.

The SID WAA evaluated flows for Water Years 1955 through 2017, and concluded that over the 63-year study period water would be available for appropriation in 18 years, with a 63-year average of 18,506 acre-feet. The SID WAA further concluded that the amount of water available for appropriation annually in those 18 years ranged from 353 acre-feet to 244,890 acre-feet.

The SID WAA did not include the calculations underlying the results. We therefore attempted to recreate those calculations based on the description of the methodology in the text of the WAA and review of Attachment A to the WAA, which provides a reckoning of water availability at several "points of analysis" within the Kings River system. We concluded that the

¹ Technical Memorandum to State Water Resources Control Board, Division of Water Rights Staff dated May 18, 2018, by West Yost Associates.

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SID WAA is flawed, and this led to our preparation of an "Alternative Analysis". The Alternative Analysis is based on the methodology that was described in the SID WAA, but modified to address its shortcomings, including consideration of Kings River Water Association (KRWA) water right licenses that were inadvertently omitted from the SID WAA and exclusion of river losses from the analysis (to avoid double counting). In addition, we prepared a variation of the Alternative Analysis that considers channel capacity limitations in the South Fork Kings River that affect the actual occurrence of flow at SID's points of diversion.

SUMMARY OF SID WAA METHODOLOGY

The SID WAA describes the methodology used for determining water available based on computed historic daily natural flows for the Kings River at Piedra, downstream of Pine Flat Dam. Calculated pre-project flows (natural flow) at Piedra were obtained from annual reports of the Kings River Watermaster. The SID WAA states that daily unimpaired flows (natural flow) were compared to diversion limits for senior water rights, including six KRWA water right licenses and 41 Statements of Water Diversion and Use (Statements) held by other users for diversions under other claims of right. The SID WAA further states, "River losses were included, to estimate unimpaired flow at the points of analysis, using river loss data presented in the KRWA Water Master Reports for each year analyzed."

Attachment A to the SID WAA shows that for each year evaluated, water was deducted from daily Piedra flows in the following order: river losses; diversions by other users (Statements); License 11517 (A000353); Licenses 11518 (A000360) and 11519 (A005640); and License 11521 (A015231). Absent from Attachment A is any mention of diversions under KRWA License 11520 (A010979) for Wishon Reservoir and License 11522 (A016469) for Courtright Reservoir; this is a serious omission that significantly skewed the SID WAA. After deducting river losses and diversions under senior water rights, the portion of the remaining daily "Unimpaired Flow (Supply)" available to SID was calculated based on a diversion rate of 2,200 cfs (the rate requested in A032815).

The SID WAA 1) mischaracterizes "losses" reported in the Kings River Watermaster reports, 2) apparently fails to consider direct diversions under KRWA's License 11519 for Pine Flat, and 3) fails to consider effects on water supply resulting from diversions under License 11520 for Wishon Reservoir and License 11522 for Courtright Reservoir. These issues are discussed below.

River Losses

It is not clear how the monthly loss values set forth in the Watermaster reports were converted to a daily value and incorporated into the SID WAA. Additionally, the annual Watermaster reports indicate that river losses are computed by subtracting KRWA member unit diversions from flow at a given point and comparing to measured downstream flow, with the difference between upstream flow less member diversions and measured downstream flow being reckoned as "losses". As such, all diversions under the Statements are part of the "loss" calculated



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in the Watermaster reports, and, therefore, the value of losses taken from the Watermaster reports should not be counted against the available flow as a separate additional reduction of available flow.

Omission of Direct Diversions under License 11519

License 11519 allows for the collection of up to 355,200 acre-feet by storage in Pine Flat Reservoir from September 1 of each year to July 31 of the succeeding year, and direct diversion of 3,059 cfs from May 1 to July 31. The maximum combined authorized diversion under Licenses 11518 and 11519, whether by storage or direct diversion, is 2,786,000 acre-feet per year.

In attempting to recreate the SID WAA calculations, we observed that the results of daily calculations we prepared came very close to matching those in Appendix A of the SID WAA when direct diversion under License 11519 was not counted. This suggests that the SID WAA calculations neglected to consider direct diversion under License 11519. This omission apparently contributed to significant overestimation of the occasional flows in excess of existing rights.

Omission of Diversions under KRWA's Licenses for Wishon and Courtright Reservoirs

The SID WAA relies on pre-project Piedra flows as reported by the Watermaster. Pre-project Piedra flows are defined in each annual Watermaster report, and, while there have been minor changes in wording over the years, the definition on page I-21 in the 2004-2005 Watermaster report succinctly defines it as follows:

"PRE-PROJECT PIEDRA: This is the total flow of the Kings River at Piedra as it would have occurred in a state of nature without interference by Pacific Gas and Electric power reservoirs and/or Pine Flat Reservoir. It is determined to be the sum of the inflow above Pine Flat Dam and the flows of Mill Creek and Hughes Creek."

The 2004-2005 Watermaster Report, on page I-23, goes on to explain that the "net change in Pacific Gas and Electric Company's upstream storage (plus or minus)" is included in the calculation of Pre-Project Piedra.

Diversions under water rights associated with Wishon Reservoir (License 11520) and Courtright Reservoir (License 11522) are not included in Attachment A of the SID WAA, and the text offers no explanation for the omission of these rights from the analysis. Wishon and Courtright reservoirs are located upstream of Piedra, and the effects of these reservoirs have been accounted for by the Watermaster to derive pre-project Piedra flows, i.e. natural flows. Diversions at these reservoirs should have been considered in the SID WAA, similar to how diversions under KRWA Pine Flat Lake rights were included (though apparently only partially included). Based on the maximum allowed diversion to storage amounts under each right (128,000 acre-feet for Wishon and 102,500 acre-feet for Courtright), omission of these rights from the SID WAA results in undercounting senior diversions by up to 230,500 acre-feet annually and apparently contributed to overestimation of the occasional flows in excess of existing rights.



SUMMARY OF ALTERNATIVE ANALYSIS

The Alterative Analysis used the same basic methodology set forth in the SID WAA. Assumptions and modifications to the SID WAA methodology are explained below.

- 1. The SID WAA accounted for losses as described above. As discussed earlier herein, we disagree with how the SID WAA quantified losses. The fact that losses were somehow included in the analysis could account for some relatively minor discrepancies between the SID WAA results and our attempt to recreate the daily flow calculations.
 - We did not attempt to account for losses in the Alternative Analysis because losses are a function of operations along the river and its various distributaries. The methodology used for the SID WAA is essentially a comparison of daily natural flow with diversion of face-value amounts for the applicable water rights. Appropriately, it does not include other operational elements, but accounting for losses, especially given the problems with the loss accounting approach used, is inappropriate and inconsistent with the overall methodology.
- 2. The Alternative Analysis assumed the same maximum rates and diversion seasons for the Statements as listed in Table 2 of the SID WAA, i.e. we did not independently review the State Water Board's eWRIMS database to vet the Table 2 values. Our resulting quantifications of annual diversions under the Statements are very close to the values shown in Attachment A of the SID WAA.
- 3. Because the SID WAA states that diversions to storage were deducted from available flows before direct diversions under each license, and because Attachment A groups Licenses 11518 and 11519 together (the Pine Flat licenses), we concluded that where the storage and direct diversion seasons overlap, the SID WAA deducted storage concurrently under both Pine Flat licenses before direct diversions were deducted under either. The Alternative Analysis makes this same assumption.
- 4. The Alternative Analysis includes direct diversions under KRWA's junior Pine Flat right, License 11519, which apparently was not included in the SID WAA.
- 5. The Alternative Analysis includes diversions to storage in Wishon and Courtright reservoirs as allowed by KRWA Licenses 11520 and 11522, respectively. In quantifying amounts available for diversion at these reservoirs we relied on the daily pre-project Piedra flows after accounting for diversions under senior rights. Because the methodology used in the SID WAA is not an operational analysis of the Kings River system, we did not attempt to extrapolate what the daily unimpaired flows would have been at Wishon and Courtright, and instead deducted daily diversions at these reservoirs under their respective entitlements based on the Piedra daily flows.



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Because the Alternative Analysis included consideration of diversions under certain KRWA licenses that were omitted from the SID WAA, we expected that it would conclude that less water is available for appropriation than indicated in the SID WAA. This turned out to be correct for the 18 years that the SID WAA showed water being available. Based on this result, we did not run the Alternative Analysis for years that the SID WAA concluded that no water is available for appropriation, and assumed that no water would be available for A032815 in those years.

ALTERNATIVE ANALYSIS RESULTS

A comparison of the results of our Alternative Analysis with the SID WAA results, including years for which the SID WAA concluded that no water was available for appropriation, is provided as the attached **Table 1** and depicted graphically in **Figure 1**. In Figure 1 the results of the SID WAA are shown as blue bars, while the results of the Alternative Analysis are shown as green bars.² The SID WAA concludes, as summarized in its Attachment A, that water would be available for appropriation in 18 of the years evaluated, including 1956, 1958, 1963, 1967, 1969, 1978, 1980, 1982, 1983, 1986, 1993, 1995, 1998, 2005, 2006, 2010, 2011, and 2017. In contrast, the Alternative Analysis concludes that water would be available in only 5 of those years.

The Alternative Analysis concludes that the maximum-year amount of water available for appropriation would be 122,229 acre-feet, or about half the maximum-year value indicated in the SID WAA (244,890 acre-feet). The Alternative Analysis also concludes that the average annual amount of water available over the 63-year study period would be about 5,393 acre-feet, or about 29 percent of the average amount in the SID WAA (18,506 acre-feet). Based on the Alternative Analysis, the SID WAA significantly overstates the amount of water available to SID's A032815. As discussed in the following section, consideration of physical and operational constraints within the Kings River system would further limit water available for appropriation.

PHYSICAL AND OPERATIONAL CONSTRAINTS ON FLOWS AVAILABLE TO SID

Both the SID WAA and the Alternative Analysis rely on an accounting methodology that does not consider physical and operational constraints that affect the actual occurrence of flow at SID's proposed points of diversion during periods of high flows in the system (noting however that the SID WAA does make an attempt to account for "losses"). As described below, these real-world constraints involve federally-mandated flood control operations, as well as channel capacity limitations on the South Fork Kings River where SID seeks to divert water.

Under flood flow conditions, the Kings River system is controlled by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (ACOE) as described in the ACOE's Pine Flat Lake Reservoir Regulation Manual, Revised September 1979 (Manual). A copy of the Manual is attached as **Exhibit A** to this

² Table 1 and Figure 1 also show results for the Alternative Analysis based on a SID diversion rate of 1,400 cfs instead of 2,200 cfs. Use of the lower rate is discussed later in this memorandum.



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memorandum.³ The following sections describe certain operational elements in the Manual that are relevant to the occurrence of water available for appropriation at SID's requested points of diversion.

Kings River North/James Bypass Operations

Paragraph 17 (in Chapter V) of the Manual states the following objectives for the operation of Pine Flat Lake (among other objectives):

- "(1) To restrict flows in downstream channels of Kings River and its distributaries to nondamaging rates.
- (2) To eliminate or minimize flood flows from Kings River into Tulare Lakebed, without causing flooding along the channels of Kings River North or causing flood damage along San Joaquin River below Mendota Dam over that which would occur under preproject conditions."

Paragraph 23c of the Manual (also in Chapter V) states:

"c. Since the late 1800's Kings River flows have divided in the Delta between Kings River North and Kings River South. Flow from Kings River North enters the San Joaquin River and the flow going south ends up in Tulare Lakebed. Since Tulare Lakebed has no outlet to the ocean, flows in excess of irrigation and spreading demand are damaging, and over the years provisions have been made to divert flood water north. Normally, under present conditions, Kings River flood water is diverted north up to the capacity of the Kings River North channels. When Kings River North capacity is reached, flood water is then sent south. During large floods it may be necessary to consider the capacity of the San Joaquin River when determining the rate of flow to be sent north." [emphasis added]

Chart A-6 in the Manual indicates the capacity of the James Bypass to be 4,750 cfs, and Notes 2 and 3 in the Flood Control Diagram for Pine Flat Lake (Chart A-8) in the Manual state the following:

- "2. Water stored in Flood Control Space shall be released as rapidly as possible without exceeding 4,750 c.f.s. below Crescent Weir or causing flood flows to Kings River South..."
- "3. When water is stored in Rain Flood Space, releases shall be increased to maximum channel capacity to Kings River North and up to maximum channel capacity to Kings River South as necessary to evacuate the Rain Flood Space within 10 days..."

³ We understand that Exhibit A is a redacted version of the Manual that the ACOE has made available to the general public.



The foregoing excerpts from the Manual indicate that the priority during flood flow conditions is to first direct high flows that cannot be absorbed by senior water rights, up to 4,750 cfs, out of the Kings River system by way of the Kings River North and James Bypass to avoid the occurrence of damaging flows in Kings River South. This is relevant for consideration because both the SID WAA and the Alternative Analysis compare high flow conditions to existing water right entitlements on the system as a whole. In reality, however, the SID project's points of diversion are on the South Fork Kings River, while the vast majority of flood flows are routed to the North Fork in accordance with the mandates of federal flood control law and direction from the ACOE, which render such flows unavailable for diversion at SID's proposed points of diversion.

Kings River South Operations

SID's proposed Points of Diversion 3 and 4, which are the locations where SID would take water out of the Kings River system for conveyance to the proposed Kettleman Reservoir and the California Aqueduct, are located on the South Fork Kings River (referred to as Kings River South in the Manual) downstream of Empire Weir No. 1. Chart A-6 in the Manual indicates the channel capacity in this reach of Kings River South to be 3,200 cfs, which would seem to be adequate to convey 2,200 cfs to SID's PODs 3 and 4, provided the capacity was not being used to meet KRWA demands. However, the actual channel capacity on the South Fork is much less than 3,200 cfs. The following is excerpted from a letter dated April 25, 2018 from the Kings River Conservation District (KRCD) to the California Water Commission in regard to SID's Water Storage Investment Program Funding Application for the proposed Tulare Lake Storage and Floodwater Protection Project:

"During the most recent 2017 flood release event, the South Fork channel section right bank levee breached in June 2017 at a flow rate of approximately 1,400 CFS which is 1800 CFS less than Semitropic's assumed capacity. The breach was approximately one mile below the confluence of the Crescent Bypass and Clarks Fork channel sections. This condition also limited the Crescent Bypass channel section capacity to less than 200 CFS which is 1300 CFS below Semitropic's assumed capacity. There was significant groundwater seepage and little to no levee freeboard in these channels. It is important to note that during 2017 flood releases the entire capacity of these channels was used to deliver water with no excess capacity remaining. Thus, there was no capacity remaining to deliver water to the Project if it had existed."

Thus, SID's application seeks to appropriate approximately 800 cfs more flow than the current South Fork channel capacity at the location where the levee failed, and does not consider that available channel capacity may be needed to meet KRWA-member demand under existing rights.

For discussion purposes, and without considering whether channel capacity in excess of KRWA demands would actually be available in the South Fork, we evaluated the effect on water available for appropriation if the maximum rate of diversion for SID's A032815 in the Alternative



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Analysis is limited to 1,400 cfs rather than 2,200 cfs. This is a generous assumption given that, per KRCD, there was little to no freeboard in the affected channel at the 1,400 cfs flow rate in 2017. While a little-to-no-freeboard condition may be necessary under emergency flood conditions, it would not be appropriate design criteria for a water supply project. And again, this analysis does not consider the fact that some or all of the limited South Fork capacity may be used to convey existing, senior water rights.

The results of this analysis are included in **Table 1** and **Figure 1** (in Figure 1 the results of the 1,400 cfs diversion scenario are shown as red bars). Relative to the 2,200 cfs diversion rate scenario, the analysis concludes that for a diversion rate of 1,400 cfs over the 63-year study period, water would still be available for appropriation in 5 years, but the average annual amount available for appropriation would drop by about 25 percent, from 5,393 acre-feet to 4,027 acre-feet. The amount available for appropriation in the maximum year would drop by about 23 percent, from 122,229 acre-feet to 94,100 acre-feet. To the extent that South Fork channel capacity would be needed to convey flows under senior KRWA water rights, the amounts available to SID would be less, possibly much less.

Conclusion

The SID WAA significantly overstates the Kings River flows available for appropriation because it fails to include the direct diversion portion of senior water right License 11519, and does not consider Licenses 11520 and 11522. Moreover, there are significant operational and channel capacity constraints to the actual occurrence of water available for appropriation at SID's proposed PODs 3 and 4. The SID WAA does not address these constraints. The operational prioritization for conveying high flows out of the Kings River system via James Bypass, and the limited channel capacity in Kings River South, which, per KRCD, may be fully utilized by KRWA to meet senior water right demands, renders the availability of any Kings River water for appropriation by SID highly doubtful.

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TABLE 1
Results of SID WAA and Alternative Analysis of Water Available for Appropriation*
Water Years 1955 - 2017

XX7-4 X7	Annual Amount in Acre-Feet**				
Water Year	SID WAA Alternative Analysis (1,400 cfs) Alternative Analysis (2,200 cfs)				
1955	0	0	0		
1956	353	0	0		
1957	0	0	0		
1958	4,367	0	0		
1959	0	0	0		
1960	0	0 .	0		
1961	0	0	0		
1962	0	0	0		
1963	407	0	0		
1964	0	0	0		
1965	0	0	0		
1966	0	0	0		
1967	85,893	29,004	39,917		
1968	0	0	0		
1969	244,490	78,272	108,552		
1970	0	0	Ó		
1971	0	0	0		
1972	0	0	0		
1973	0	0	0		
1974	0	0	0		
1975	0	0	0		
1976	0	0	0		
1977	0	0	0		
1978	97,295	0	0		
1979	0	0	0		
1980	55,020	0	0		
1981	0	0	0		
1982	34,361	0	0		
1983	162,155	94,100	122,229		
1984	0	0	0		
1985	0	0	0		
1986	6,621	0	0		
1987	0	0	0		
1988	0	0	0		
1989	0	0	0		
1990	0	0	0		
1991	0	0	0		
1992	0	. 0	0		
1993	14,752	0	0		
1994	0	0	0		

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Results of SID WAA and Alternative Analysis of Water Available for Appropriation*
Water Years 1955 - 2017

XX7 - 4 X7	Annual Amount in Acre-Feet**			
Water Year	SID WAA Alternative Analysis (1,400 cfs)		Alternative Analysis (2,200 cfs)	
1995	107,547	24,686	34,207	
1996	0	0	0	
1997	0	0	0	
1998	106,199	27,643	34,876	
1999	0	0	0	
2000	0	0	0	
2001	0	0	0	
2002	0	0	0	
2003	0	. 0	0	
2004	0	0	0	
2005	18,003	0	0	
2006	5,067	0	0	
2007	0	0	0	
2008	0	0	0	
2009	0	0	0	
2010	1,313	0	0	
2011	54,858	0	0	
2012	0	0	0	
2013	0	0	0	
2014	0	0	0	
2015	0	0	0	
2016	0	0	0	
2017	167,171	0	0	
Average	18,506	4,027	5,393	
Maximum	244,490	94,100	122,229	
Minimum	0	0	0	

^{* &}quot;Water available for appropriation" means water that would be available to SID after considering senior water rights on the Kings River system, but excluding pending Application 32810 filed by Consolidated Irrigation District, Fresno Irrigation District, and Alta Irrigation District.

^{**} Years in the SID WAA showing no water available for A032815 were not reevaluated in the Alternative Analysis. It was assumed that years having "0" availability in the SID WAA would similarly have "0" availability if evaluated using the Alternative Analysis methodology.

Figure 1
Results of SID WAA and Alternative Analysis of Water Available for Appropriation*
Water Years 1955 - 2017

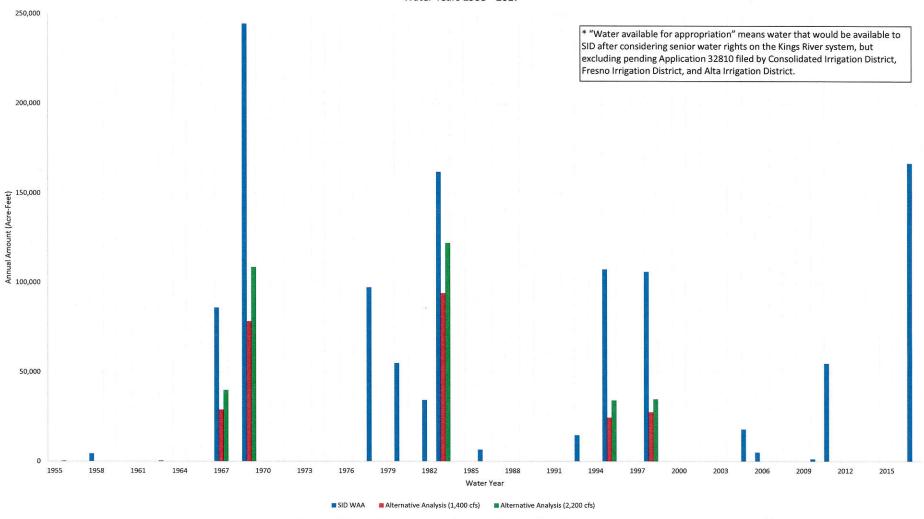


EXHIBIT A



PINE FLAT LAKE

Kings River, California

RESERVOIR REGULATION MANUAL

November 1953 Revised September 1979

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SACRAMENTO DISTRICT, CORPS OF ENGINEERS SACRAMENTO, CALIFORNIA

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PART A

PINE FLAT LAKE KINGS RIVER, CALIFORNIA

CHAPTER I - GENERAL INFORMATION

AUTHORITY AND SCOPE

This reservoir regulation manual is an appendix to the "Master Manual of Reservoir Regulation, Tulare Lake Basin, California," and has been prepared in accordance with instructions contained in ER 1110-2-240 and EM 110-2-3600.

2. PROJECT AUTHORIZATION

The Pine Flat Project was authorized by the Flood Control Act of 1944, approved 22 December 1944, the pertinent portion of which follows:

"The project for flood control and other purposes for the Kings River and Tulare Lake Basin, California, is hereby authorized substantially in accordance with plans contained in House Document No. 630, Seventy-sixth Congress, third session, with such modifications thereof as in the discretion of the Secretary of War and the Chief of Engineers may be advisable ... Provided, that the conditions of local cooperation specified in said document shall not apply ..."

In 1943 an act of Congress (Public Law 138, 78th Congress, Chapter 224, 1st Session, approved 12 July 1943) provided funds for emergency repair and restoration of levees and other flood control features damaged or destroyed by floods immediately prior to that time. Allocations were made from these funds for the construction of channel improvements to the lower Kings River.

CHAPTER II - BASIN DESCRIPTION

3. DESCRIPTION OF THE PROJECT AREA

- a. The project area, shown on chart i, is located in Tulare Lake Basin in the southern portion of the San Joaquin Valley. It is comprised of the Kings River watershed above the valley floor, the alluvial-fan area, the Kings River North and Kings River South areas on the valley floor, and the Tulare Lakebed.
- b. The watershed area includes about 1,700 square miles above Piedra 1,545 of which lies above Pine Flat Dam. It lies along the westward face of the highest portion of the Sierra Nevada. Elevations range from a maximum of about 14,000 feet at the headwaters to about 400 feet at the edge of the valley floor. This basin is among the most rugged of the entire Sierra Nevada, and is characterized by sharp peaks and ridges, precipitous canyons, and granite domes. Kings River has its source in many small glacial lakes at elevations of 12,000 feet or more, near the crest of the Sierra Nevada. Nearly all of the tributaries flow in deep granite canyons, and the main canyon below the junction of the Middle and South Forks is more than 5,000 feet deep. The soil cover, except for granite outcroppings and precipitous canyons, ranges from moderate, in the lower area, to non-existent above 10,000 feet elevation. Vegetative cover is distributed approximately as follows:

Type of Vegetation	Range of Elevation (feet)	Percent of Basin Area		
Grass land (with scattered timber)	400 - 2,000	4		
Brush land (chaparral, etc.)	2,000 - 6,000	17		
Deciduous forest	400 - 3,000	16		
Light coniferous forest (20- 50% cover)	5,000 - 9,000	25		
Heavy coniferous forest (over 50% cover)	6,000 - 8,000	4		
Sub-alpine timber (juniper, lodgepole, etc.)	9,000 - 10,000	13		
Open ground (barren and lakes)	10,000 and above	21		

c. The watershed area is suitable for grazing, lumbering, hydroelectric power generation, mining, and recreation. It is sparsely populated. There are presently two hydroelectric power projects: the Kings River Project and the Balch Project, in the Kings River Basin, both operated by Pacific Gas and Electric Company. The Kings River Project consists of Courtright and Wishon Reservoirs and the Haas and Kings River power houses. The Balch Project consists of Balch power houses number one and two, a small upstream diversion dam and an afterbay.

- d. The alluvial-fan portion of the basin, an area of about 1,200,000 acres, decreases in elevation from about 400 feet at the foothill line to about 200 feet at the edge of Tulare Lakebed and about 180 feet along the Kings River North area. There are a few small towns in this area, but no large population centers except Fresno which is approximately thirty miles northwest of the river. Excellent soils, moderate climate, and availability of summer stream flow and ground water for irrigation have made this a predominantly agricultural area. Several oil and gas wells are producing in the area. Also, numerous agricultural processing plants and manufacturing plants are spread throughout the area. The main line of the Atchison, Topeka, and Santa Fe Railroad and the valley route of the Southern Pacific Railroad between San Francisco and Los Angeles pass through the Kings River area. Branch lines serve important agricultural centers within the area. U. S. Highway 99 crosses Kings River at Kingsburg. Numerous state highways and an extensive system of county roads also serve the area.
- From the mouth of the canyon below Piedra, Kings River flows southwesterly in a single channel to near Centerville, where it divides into numerous channels, reuniting as a single channel below Centerville Bottoms. Small intermittent levees exist through this reach. Near Kingsburg, the river emerges on the crown of the alluvial cone and is provided with continuous levees through the lower reaches of the river. The channel has a sandy shifting bottom and is crossed at intervals by permanent weirs, which divert water into numerous large diversion canals. The principal division of flow between Kings River North and Kings River South is accomplished by the Army Weir at the head of Clarks Fork (which leads to Kings River South) and by Island Weir on Kings River below Clarks Fork. A secondary diversion to Kings River South via Cresent Bypass can be accomplished at the Crescent Bypass structure, operating in conjunction with Crescent Weir. Locations of these structures are shown on chart A-6. As a result of numerous diversions, the river flow is intensely modified and is usually depleted before reaching the lower reaches. The capacity of the river system decreases progressively downstream to 11,000 cfs at the head of Army Weir.
- f. The Kings River North and Kings River South areas are of predominately heavy soils which formerly were traversed by many channels and sloughs. Most of the areas have been developed for agricultural use by leveling the land, restricting river flows to the principal channels, (or construction of a new channel, as in the case of the James Bypass) and by construction of levees along these channels. The use of pervious materials (sand and tules) in much of the levee system along Fresno Slough has created a seepage problem during periods of high flow. The principal crops in this area are cotton, small grains, and forage. Extensive oil and gas development exists in the Fresno Slough area. State Highways 41, 198, and 180, Interstate Highway 5, and numerous county roads serve the area. Rail service to the area is provided by the Southern Pacific and the Atchison, Topeka, and Santa Fe Railroads.
- g. The Tulare Lakebed is a closed depression with a bottom elevation of about 175 feet. The only outlet is to the north (at elevation 207 feet) into the San Joaquin River. This lakebed area receives runoff from Kings River South and from the Kaweah, Tule and Kern Rivers. During large rainflood years, runoff from the Coast Range Mountains also reaches the lakebed. Agricultural

development in the lakebed has been facilitated by a cellular dike system designed to confine flood waters to the smallest possible area.

h. Agricultural development of the Kings River service area is dependent on an irrigation supply from surface runoff and ground-water pumping, since precipitation on the valley floor is not sufficient to support normal farm crops. At present, approximately 1,100,000 acres receive water, directly or indirectly, from Kings River. Extensive irrigation systems for the diversion and distribution of water have been developed by individuals, companies and irrigation districts. Some historic irrigation diversions for the Kings River service area are listed on chart A-6.

4. CLIMATE

a. Average annual precipitation varies greatly throughout the project area, ranging from about 6 inches on the valley floor to about 60 inches high in the mountains. About 90 percent of the runoff-producing precipitation occurs during the months of November through April as demonstrated by the following table:

Normal Precipitation

Month	: Pine : (elev : Amor	610)	: (elev	P.H. 1720) <u>unt</u> : %	: (elev	t Grove 6600) unt : %	: (elev	ington L. 7020) <u>unt</u> : <u>%</u>
Jul	.03	.00	.02	.00	.06	.00	.17	.01
Aug	.02	.00	T	.00	.08	.00	.07	.00
Sep	.24	.01	.56	.02	.52	.01	.68	.02
Oct	.67	.04	.87	.03	1.46	.03	1.57	.05
Nov	2.07	.11	3.45	.12	5.14	.12	2.91	.09
Dec	3.28	.18	5.70	.19	7.56	.17	6.26	.19
Jan	3.46	.19	5.45	.19	7.83	.18	5.23	.16
Feb	2.84	.16	4.45	.15	7.16	.17	5.99	.18
Mar	2,62	.15	3.73	.13	6.78	.16	4.37	.14
Apr	1.93	.11	3.27	.11	4.81	.11	3.00	.09
May	.64	.04	1.35	.05	1.55	.04	1.68	.05
Jun	.14	.01	.25	.01	.39	.01	.52	.02
Total	17.94	100	29.1	100	43.34	100	32.45	100

^{1/ 1953-1978} avg.

b. Normal annual precipitation for the Kings River Basin is shown on chart 2. Precipitation usually occurs as rain at elevations below 5,000 feet and as snow at higher elevations, although snow has occurred in the valley and rain at elevations above 12,000 feet. Generally the snow pack accumulates during the winter months until about I April, when increased temperatures cause the pack to begin melting. Snow pack data for 1969, 1975 and 1977, representing wet, normal and dry years, are presented in the following tabulation.

1 April Snow Survey Data Kings River Basin

		Elev	•	Depth	:			Wate	r Content			·
Inde		in		n inche			nches	: <i>P</i>	verage 1/	: %	of Avera	ige .
No.	: Course :	feet	: 1969	: 1975	<u>: 1977:</u>	1969:	1975:	1977:	1931-75	: 1969	: 1975 :	1977
222	Bishop Pass	11,200	176.8	101.0	30.2	78.4	36.9	8.0	31.0	253	119	26
223	Blackcap Basin	10,300	156.2	108.8	26.6	66.4	37.1	7.6	34.0	195	109	22
225	Beard Meadow	9,800	168.4	95.8	24.2	72.2	34.4	7.5	32.0	226	108	23
233	Statum Meadow	8,300	162.3	103.6	17.1	83.3	40.6	8.1	31.0	269	131	26
240	Grant Grove	6,600	94.2	60.1	3.1	42.4	24.8	1.1	15.0	283	165	7

^{1/} Average values of 1 April water content in inches and averages for 45-year period (1931-1975) from Snow Survey Data, California Cooperative Snow Surveys, 1978.

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c. The valley area is characterized by hot, dry summers and moderate winters. Temperatures in the mountains decrease generally with increasing elevation. At higher elevations the summers are cool and winters are severe. Observed temperature extremes are 1140 and 180 at Fresno in the valley, 900 and -50 at Grant Grove and 890 and -180 at Huntington Lake. The monthly temperature distributions at representative stations follow:

Normal Temperature (°F)

Month	: Fresno : WSO AP : (Elev. 328)	: Pine Flat : Dam I/ : (Elev. 610)	: Balch Power : House 2/ : (Elev. 1,720)	: Grant : Grove : (Elev. 6,600)	: Huntington : Lake : (Elev. 7,020)
Jan	45.3	44.7	44.7	33.2	31.1
Feb	49.9	49.2	49.4	33.6	31.1
Mar	53.9	52.9	52.5	34.5	32.0
Apr	60.3	58.2	56.0	39.5	37.2
May	67.4	65.7	65 . 1	46.4	44.2
Jun	73.9	74.2	72.8	54.1	52.2
Jul	80.6	80.4	80.4	62.6	60.6
Aug	78.3	79.1	80.3	61.3	59.7
Sep	73.8	74.1	74.8	<i>5</i> 7 . 0	55.4
Oct	64.2	64.4	65.1	49.1	47.2
Nov	53.5	52. 7	52.6	40.5	39.0
Dec	45.8	45.3	45.3	35.3	33.5
Normal					
Annual	62.2	61.7	61.6	45.6	43.6

^{1/} Average Temperatures from 1954 - 1977.

5. RUNOFF

a. Stream flow records on the Kings River date back to 1896 at Piedra. However, a stream gage was not installed at the Pine Flat damsite until 1953. Pertinent data (adjusted for upstream storage and evaporation) for the Kings River flow into Pine Flat Lake is shown below. More gage data may be found on chart 3.

^{2/} Average Temperatures from 1962 - 1977.

Unimpaired Kings River Flow Into Pine Flat Lake

Period of Record included	1955-1978
Drainage Area, sq. mi.	1,545
Instantaneous Flows, cfs Maximum	112,000 (25 Jan 1956)
Minimum	0 (25 and 29 July 1977)
Instantaneous Flow, cfs/sq. mi.	0 (25 dila 27 351) 1777
Maximum	72.5
Minimum	0.0
Mean Daily	2,240
Mean Daily Flow, cfs/sq. mi.	1.4
Annual Flow, ac-ft	
Maximum	4,207,000 (1969) 1/
Minimum	385,000 (1977) 2/
Mean	1,620,000
Annual Flow, inches	•
Maximum	51.1
Minimum	4.7
Mean	19.7
Apr-July Flow, ac-ft	
Maximum	3,116,000 (1969) 1/
Minimum	274,000 (1977) 2/
Mean	1,179,000
Apr-Jul Flow, inches Maximum	37.8
Minimum	3 .3
Mean	14.3
17 1 W W 1	1700

^{17 1969} had the largest volume of runoff for the period of record at Piedra (1896 to date).

^{2/ 1977} had the smallest volume of runnoff for the period of record at Piedra (1896 to date).

b. Approximately two-thirds of the annual runoff into Pine Flat Lake occurs April through July. The seasonal variation of runoff into Pine Flat Lake (1955-1978) is illustrated in the following table (adjusted for upstream storage and evaporation):

Average Monthly Unimpaired Runoff Into Pine Flat Lake

<u>Month</u>	Acre-feet	:	_%_
Oct	17,000		1
Nov	26,000		2
Dec	63,000		4
Jan	75,000		5
Feb	76,000		5 5 6
Mar	103,000		6
Apr	190,000		12
May	422,000		26
Jun	396,000		24
Jul	170,000		10
Aug	54 , 000		
Sep	28,000		3 2
Totals	1,620,000		100

- c. Mill Creek, the major source of local runoff below the dam, discharges about 26,000 acre-feet per year. Mill Creek has been gaged since 1938. A rough estimate of the total volume of local runoff between the dam and Reedly during major floods can be obtained by multiplying Mill Creek flows by 1.2. Local runoff into the Kings River below Reedley is negligible.
 - d. Historical inflow to Pine Flat Lake is shown on chart 4.

CHAPTER III - PROJECT DESCRIPTION

6. DESCRIPTION OF THE PROJECT

- a. Pine Flat Lake is located about thirty miles northeast of Fresno. The Project consists of Pine Flat multiple-purpose reservoir on Kings River, improvements on certain downstream channels, and structures for controlling the division of flow between the channels of Kings River North and Kings River South. A brief description of the project and associated facilities follows:
 - (1) Portions of this chapter are not available in this version of the Pine Flat water control manual. For additional information, contact the U.S. Army
 - (2) Corps of Engineers Sacramento District Public Affairs Office at 916-557-7236.

(3)

- (4) The reservoir is of narrow, winding shape and extends up Kings River for about 20 miles, see chart 6. The reservoir area (about 6,000 acres) was formerly in brush and grazing land. A store, a few houses, and a Forest Service Ranger Station were within the reservoir area. The former were abandoned, and the Ranger Station was relocated outside the reservoir area. County roads through the reservoir area were also relocated.
- (5) The downstream channel improvements which have been constructed as a part of this project include: (1) Channel restoration and debris removal in Centerville Bottoms area; (2) new levee construction and levee repair from Cole Slough Weir to Stinson Weir; (3) excavation of a new channel from Kings River immediately upstream from Island Weir southward into Clarks Fork; (4) clearing, widening, straightening, and constructing confining levees on the South Fork below Army Weir; (5) South Fork diversion structure (Army Weir), (6) gated structures at Crooked Slough, Faull Slough and Sand Slough, and a dike across Heinlen Cut and (7) timber removal in the Kings River South channel. Chart 7 shows the locations of the downstream improvements.
- (6) Associated facilities owned by local interests which assist in the division of flow between Kings River North and Kings River South are: (1) Island

Weir, a combination gate and flashboard structure constructed by local interests and modified by the Corps of Engineers; (2) the Crescent Bypass headgate control structure, at the head of Crescent Bypass, constructed by local interests; (3) Cresent Weir, a flashboard structure on Kings River immediately below the entrance to Crescent Bypass, constructed by local interests; and (4) Stinson Weir on Kings River North which was repaired by the Corps of Engineers in 1970.

7. RECREATION FACILITIES

- a. Although recreation was not an authorized project purpose, recreation use of the Pine Flat Lake area is significant. There is no established minimum pool, but the water stored for irrigation purposes is generally ample for recreation.
- b. There are presently eleven areas identified for recreation development. Existing and proposed activities in these areas include pinicking, camping, boat-launching, fishing, swimming, marina concessions, a visitor center, public access, cycling, hiking, equestrian and nature trails. These facilities have been provided and are administered by the Corps of Engineers, the Forest Service and Fresno County. Coordination is maintained with the Fish and Wildlife Service and the California Department of Fish and Game.
- c. Pine Flat Lake became fully operational in 1954 and records for recreation use began in 1955. The annual visitation for the period of record at 5 year intervals and for the last 3 years is shown below.

Calendar Year	Recreation Days
1955	270,000
1960	345,400
1965	491,000
1970	609,000
1975	467,200
1976 *	694,190
1977 *	625,500

^{*} Extreme drought years.

d. Recreation development is shown on chart 6 and is described in detail in the "Pine Flat Lake Master Plan".

8. CHANGES TO AUTHORIZED PLAN

The Pine Flat Project as constructed is essentially the same as authorized, with the exception that a first-class stream gaging station on Kings River below the North Fork has been substituted for the inflow weir pursuant to agreement with local interests.

9. CONSTRUCTION HISTORY

- a. Excavation for Pine Flat Dam was initiated in July 1948. Concrete placement and reservoir clearing were initiated in 1950 and the dam and appurtenances were completed in 1954. Pine Flat Lake was first operated for flood control in May 1952 and for conservation in February 1954.
- b. In 1943 and 1944 a portion of the downstream channel improvements was completed with emergency funds. The remainder of the downstream channel improvements were completed during the period 1968 through 1976.

CHAPTER IV - FLOOD POTENTIAL

10. FLOOD CHARACTERISTICS

- a. Precipitation in the area is largely orographic in nature and usually results from air masses traveling inland from a westerly direction. Flood flows on Kings River are of two types, winter rain floods and spring snowmelt floods. Winter rain floods, which generally occur during the period of November through March, are caused by heavy rains and sometimes augmented by the melting of snow at intermediate elevations. These winter floods have sharp, high peaks and are usually of short duration and comparatively small volume. Generally, a major portion of winter precipitation occurs as snow and remains in the mountains above the 5,000 foot elevation until the spring. Snowmelt floods have comparatively moderate peak flows, but very large volumes extending over a two to four month period. Generally sixty-five percent of the annual runoff occurs between the first of April and the end of July.
- b. The largest rainflood of record on Kings River occurred on 23 December 1955 and had an estimated peak inflow to Pine Flat Lake of 112,000 c.f.s. Maximum release from Pine Flat during the peak of the December 1955 rainflood was about 70 c.f.s. A comparison of large flows experienced in Kings River Basin follows:

	23 Dec 55	<u>6 Dec 66</u>	25 Jan 69	I Feb 63
Inflow to Pine Flat Lake Peak (cfs)	112,000 1/	91,000 1/	70,600 1/	76,800 1/
5-day volume (acre-feet) Kings River above N. Fork	316,541	195,603	175,254	152,684
Peak (cfs) 5–day volume (acre-feet)	59,100 159,711	41,000 112,524	35,000 90,904	29,000 79,122
N. Fork Kings River below Dinky Creek 2/	1.00,000	,,,,,,	y	.,,
Peak (cfs)	N/A	22,100	15,000	27,400
5-day volume (acre-feet)	N/A	43,698	26,184	44,301
Mill Creek near Piedra Peak (cfs)	N/A	11,000	9,860	3,120
5-day volume (acre-feet)	20,618	16,747	31,704	4,151

I/ Estimated peak flow.

^{2/} Does not include upstream diversions for power.

c. Mill Creek contributes roughly eighty percent of the local flow below Pine Flat Lake. During periods of high flow, releases from the project are reduced to minimize damages in the lower channel and in Tulare Lake area.

d. The largest snowmelt flood of record occurred in 1969 when the unimpaired April through July runoff was 3,116,000 acre-feet at the dam and 3,141,000 acre-feet at Piedra. The 1906 April through July runoff at Piedra was 2,979,000 acre-feet.

II. RAINFLOOD POTENTIAL

The major rainflood threat to areas protected by Pine Flat Lake is from local runoff below the project. For rainfloods likely to occur more often than once in three hundred years on the average, the peak local flow below Pine Flat will most likely exceed the releases from the project. To date, no flood releases to Tulare Lake have been made during a rain flood. Rain flow frequency curves for the Kings River at Pine Flat and at Piedra, and for Mill Creek are shown on charts 8, 9, and 10 respectively.

12. SEASONAL VARIATION OF RAINFLOOD POTENTIAL

Large rainfloods in the Tulare Lake Basin occur most frequently in the months of November through March and are not known to occur in the months of June through August. The seasonal variation of storm potential is defined by criteria contained in office report, "Reservoir Operation Criteria for Flood Control," dated October 1959.

13. SNOWMELT FLOOD POTENTIAL

Snowmelt floods on Kings River result from large volumes of spring runoff created by the melting snow pack above Pine Flat Lake. If the snowmelt volume exceeds the available storage within the basin plus the irrigation and spreading demand, supplemental releases must be made. Normally the supplemental releases can be sent to Mendota Pool through Kings River North, and from there to the San Joaquin River. However, in large runoff years, excess Kings River snowmelt flood water goes to Tulare Lake. Snowmelt flow frequency curves are shown on charts 11 and 12.

14. STANDARD PROJECT FLOOD

The standard project flood presented in this manual was developed in 1970. The average precipitation on the contributing area is 18.98 inches and the excess is 5.09. The peak inflow is 186,000 c.f.s. and the total volume of the main wave is 418,000 acre-feet. A routing of the standard project flood is shown on chart 13.

15. RESERVOIR DESIGN FLOOD

a. The 1906 snowmelt flood, which was the largest known snowmelt flood prior to project authorization, was adopted as the design flood for Pine Flat Lake. The rainflood reservation was based on a hypothetical flood estimated to be as large as any prerecord flood known to have occurred.

- b. In 1969, the snowmelt runoff slightly exceeded that of 1906. Routings of both floods are shown on chart 14. The frequency of occurrence of both floods is estimated to be about once in sixty years.
- c. The flood used to size the rainflood reservation in Pine Flat Lake had a sixteen day volume of 400,000 acre-feet. The December 1955 rainflood, which is the largest of record, also had a sixteen day volume of about 400,000 acre-feet. A routing of the 1955 flood through the rainflood reservation portion of Pine Flat Lake is shown on chart 15. The frequency of occurrence of the December 1955 flood is estimated to be about once in 80 years.

16. SPILLWAY DESIGN FLOOD

a. The Pine Flat Lake spillway design flood is based on a storm having 28.5 inches of precipitation and 4.7 inches of snowmelt in 66 hours with an excess of 13.41 inches. The peak inflow is 437,000 c.f.s. and the volume 1,186,000 acre-feet, 84,000 acre-feet of which was base flow. A routing of the SDF is shown on chart 16.

CHAPTER V - GENERAL PROJECT OPERATION

17. OBJECTIVES

- a. Pine Flat Lake will be operated for flood control and conservation in accordance with the regulations contained herein to achieve the following abjectives:
- (1) To restrict flows in downstream channels of Kings River and its distributaries to non-damaging rates.
- (2) To eliminate or minimize flood flows from Kings River into Tulare Lakebed, without causing flooding along the channels of Kings River North or causing flood damage along San Joaquin River below Mendota Dam over that which would occur under preproject conditions.
- (3) To assist indirectly in providing flood protection along the San Joaquin River.
- (4) To provide the maximum practicable amount of storage space for irrigation water without impairment of the flood-control functions.
- b. In achieving the above objectives, forecasting of snowmelt runoff is important. When it is anticipated that flood water might be discharged into the San Joaquin River through Kings River North or to Tulare Lake, the Watermaster will be alerted so that he may update irrigation and spreading capabilities to make all possible use of the water for irrigation and spreading. Since the rate at which water can be used for irrigation and spreading may be relatively small, releases for such purposes should be initiated as soon as possible.

18. RESPONSIBILITY FOR OPERATION

- a. Pine Flat Lake is operated by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers and is under the jurisdiction of the District Engineer, Sacramento, California.
- b. Army Weir is also under the jurisdiction of the District Engineer. However, permission has been granted to the Kings River Water Association to operate the structure in accordance with agreements among the water users. Accordingly, the Kings River Water Association is the operating agency for the purpose of these regulations until such time as the Corps of Engineers, on its own initiative or at the request of the Kings River Water Association, again assumes direct responsibility for operation. However, the Corps of Engineers is still responsible for maintaining Army Weir.

19. UPSTREAM REGULATION

a. The river above Pine Flat Lake is used for hydroelectric power generation by four Pacific Gas and Electric Company power plants and appurtenent facilities. The only major storage facilities connected with the power development are Wishon and Courtright Reservoirs. They have storage capacities of 128,600 acre-feet and 123,300 acre-feet respectively. The power facilities are shown on chart 1.

b. Due to their high elevation, Wishon and Courtright Reservoirs have relatively little effect on rainfloods. However, they do store snowmelt runoff that might otherwise have to be stored in Pine Flat Lake. Therefore, space available in these reservoirs less 20,000 acre-feet may be credited to Pine Flat Lake for the control of snowmelt floods.

20. DOWNSTREAM REGULATION

There are no significant storage facilities below Pine Flat Lake. However, Pine Flat Lake releases are reregulated by numerous downstream diversion structures for purposes of irrigation and flood control. The diversion structures are shown on chart A-6.

21. RELEASE REQUIREMENTS

- a. The Kings River Water Association and California Department of Fish and Game signed an agreement, dated 11 September 1964, establishing minimum releases and rates of change for releases to benefit fish and wildlife on the Kings River. Basically, the agreement provides for a minimum release of 25 c.f.s. from Pine Flat Lake and for the maintenance of slightly larger flows up to 100 c.f.s. at Centerville Bottoms depending on the time of year and the volume of runoff during the previous water year. A brief summary of the agreement is shown on chart 17.
- b. Releases for fish and wildlife will be initiated by the watermaster. Such requests will normally be made directly to the reservoir operator.

22. DOWNSTREAM CHANNEL CAPACITIES

- a. The channel capacities downstream from Pine Flat Lake are shown on chart A-6. To illustrate the historic performance of the channels, the maximum 30-day and 1-day flows during 1969 are shown for critical reaches. However, it should be noted that the passage of the 1969 flows required continuous surveillence and maintenance to prevent seepage, erosion and levee failure.
- b. The critical channel reaches for determining permissible releases are those below Army Weir, Cresent Weir, and Cresent Bypass.

23. DOWNSTREAM DIVISION OF FLOWS

- a. The numerous Kings River diversion structures are shown on Chart A-6.
- b. The diversion structure of primary concern during flood operations is Army Weir, which was constructed by the Corps of Engineers in 1943 to control the bifurcation of flows between Kings River North and Kings River South. The Crescent Bypass structure, further downstream, is also capable of sending Kings River water south.

- c. Since the late 1800's Kings River flows have divided in the Delta between Kings River North and Kings River South. Flow from Kings River North enters the San Joaquin River and the flow going south ends up in Tulare Lakebed. Since Tulare Lakebed has no outlet to the ocean, flows in excess of irrigation and spreading demand are damaging, and over the years provisions have been made to divert flood water north. Normally, under present conditions, Kings River flood water is diverted north up to the capacity of the Kings River North channels. When Kings River North capacity is reached, flood water is then sent south. During large floods it may be necessary to consider the capacity of the San Joaquin River when determining the rate of flow to be sent north.
- d. Prior to construction at Pine Flat Dam, an agreement, dated 15 December 1947, was signed by three local entities (Tulare Lake Water Storage District, Kings River Water Association, and Lower Kings River Association) to establish the division of flow between Kings River North and Kings River South. The agreement provides that flood water may be sent north up to the Kings River North channel capacity but that the total flow at Mendota Pool should not be permitted to exceed flows that would occur naturally. The agreement also provides that flows at Lemoore Wier of 10,000 c.f.s. or more will be split, fifty percent going north and fifty percent going south. The Lower Kings River Association is now defunct, the Tulare Lake Water Storage District has joined the Kings River Water Association, and physical conditions have changed considerably. Should the Kings River flow above Army Wier exceed the combined north and south channel capacities, the operation of the diversion structures will be determined by the conditions prevailing at the time.

24. FLOOD DAMAGES UNDER PROJECT CONDITIONS

- a. Since completion of Pine Flat Lake, the largest rainflood of record (1896-1978) occurred in December 1955 and the largest snowmelt flood of record occurred in 1969. Releases from Pine Flat Lake during the 1955 flood were nominal and caused no damage downstream. In 1969, about 185,000 acre-feet of water from Kings River reached Tulare Lake during April through July and flows in Kings River below Pine Flat Lake exceeded design channel capacity. However, channel improvements constructed under operation foresight and a well coordinated program for levee patrol and flood fighting enabled the releases to be continued through the critical period.
- b. In December 1955, it is estimated that Pine Flat Lake prevented about \$5,000,000 in flood damage to the Kings River area and Tulare Lake. The 1969 snowmelt flood was preceded by a rainflood and during the entire 1969 flood season Pine Flat Lake prevented approximately \$7,600,000 in flood damage in the Kings River area and Tulare Lake.

25. FLOOD CONTROL OPERATION

The schedule for flood control operation of Pine Flat Lake under the multiple-purpose operation is given on chart A-8.

26. CONSERVATION OPERATION

Operation for conservation in accordance with the contract with local interests, dated 23 December 1963, is essentially as follows:

- a. All inflow in excess of the release requested by the Kings River Watermaster will be stored to the extent that conservation space in the reservoir is available.
- b. Water stored for irrigation will be released in accordance with the requests of the Kings River Watermaster.
- c. Requests by the Kings River Watermaster for irrigation or fish and wildlife releases will normally be made directly to the reservoir operator and will be coordinated with downstream interests by the watermaster.

27. SEDIMENTATION AND WATER QUALITY MEASUREMENT

- a. A system of 35 sedimentation ranges shown on chart 18 was established in 1951 before any significant water had been stored in the reservoir. Of these, two ranges cross the river channel below the dam, and one is above the gross pool elevation on the river above the reservoir. The remaining ranges are so spaced that no range will represent more than 10 percent of the potential sediment accumulation in the reservoir. Each range is straight and is marked by a permanent monument above gross pool level at each end. Each profile is recorded on a permanent drawing to a horizontal scale of 1 inch to 400 feet and a vertical scale of 1 inch to 20 feet with an attached table showing the coordinates of all survey points.
- b. Surveys made in November 1956 and June 1973 indicate that the annual rate of sediment inflow is 243 acre-feet per year or about 216 tons per square mile per year. Future sediment surveys will probably not be made unless a major flood event has occurred. However, outflow sediment concentration is checked at frequent intervals.
- c. Water quality at Pine Flat Lake is measured twice a year. Inflow and outflow samples are checked for dissolved oxygen and temperature and a chemical analysis of the samples is then made in a laboratory. In addition, a water quality profile of the lake is made for disolved oxygen, temperature, ph and electrical conductivity. The quality of water in Pine Flat Lake is generally excellent.

28. RELATION TO OTHER PROJECTS

a. Pine Flat Lake operates in conjunction with four other Federal storage projects (Millerton Lake, Lake Kaweah, Success Lake, and Isabella Lake) to minimize floodflows into Tulare Lakebed. The operation of these projects is coordinated for maximum realization of their common goal.

 As a prerequisite for construction of Wishon and Courtright Reservoirs, Pacific Gas and Electric Company contracted with Kings River irrigation interests to store 251,800 acre-feet of Kings River water for power generation. They also contracted (Contract No. DA-04-167-eng-1328) with the United States to store all or a portion of that water in Pine Flat Lake when it was not stored in their projects. Under that contract they are permitted to store up to 230,000 acre-feet of water within space reserved for flood control provided: (1) no water is stored in space required to control rainfloods, (2) no water is stored in the uppermost 30,000 acre-feet of flood control reservation and (3) in time of emergency, the Government may place additional restrictions on the transfer of flood control space. The charge for storing water in Pine Flat is 13.75 cents per acre-foot per month based on the maximum storage space occupied during the month. In 1972, Pacific Gas and Electric Company and the Kings River irrigation interests ammended their contracts so that Pacific Gas and Electric is required to store no more than 60,000 acre-feet of water. Now, except for rare exceptions, this power water is stored in Wishon and Courtright and payments to the Government are not necessary.

29. GATE OPERATION

A detailed description of gate operation is given in Appendix A.

CHAPTER VI - FLOOD CONTROL DESIGN REQUIREMENTS

30. HYDROLOGIC BASIS FOR DESIGN

Selection of the capacity of Pine Flat Lake was based primarily on flood control. Snowmelt-season runoff governed the capacity, since the space required for the control of potential snowmelt floods is at all times greater than the space required to control rain floods.

31. FLOOD CONTROL SPACE REQUIREMENTS

Prior to authorization it was determined that 1,000,000 acre-feet of flood control reservation would be required to control the 1906 flood to objective flows with only minor damaging flows to Tulare Lake. It was also found that in evacuating the reservoir by the start of the snowmelt season, sufficient space (475,000 acre-feet) would normally be available to control all but extremely rare rainfloods. For operational purposes, a minimum rainflood reservation of 260,000 acre-feet was adopted based on a hypothetical flood developed at that time.

32. MULTIPLE USE OF RESERVOIR SPACE

- a. The space in Pine Flat Lake required to control snowmelt floods may be adjusted for available space upstream in Wishon and Courtright Reservoirs less 20,000 acre-feet. There is a minor amount of storage capacity in Black Rock Reservoir and Balch afterbay but since they are usually full, they are not considered in flood operations.
- b. From 1 December to 1 February, 475,000 acre-feet, minus the adjustments for upstream storage, must be available to control anticipated snowmelt. After 1 February, when snowmelt forecasts are available, the required flood control space is based on forecasted snowmelt-runoff and is also adjusted for upstream storage.
- c. A contract between the Federal Government and the Pacific Gas and Electric Company that permits storage of power water in Pine Flat Lake is discussed in paragraph 28c. However, due to a 1972 agreement between the electric company and Kings River irrigation interests, except for rare situations, it is doubtful that water for the Kings River Project will be stored in Pine Flat Lake again.

FLOOD CONTROL DIAGRAM

The flood control diagram for Pine Flat Lake is shown on chart A-8. It is based on 83 years of hydrologic data for the basin, 25 years of operational experience with the project, and current irrigation demands. The diagram gives the required flood control release for a given storage at any particular time of year.

CHAPTER VII - OPERATIONAL CONTROLS

34. DIVISION OF RESPONSIBILITY FOR OPERATION

- a. The primary responsibilities of operating Pine Flat Reservoir are delegated to units of the Engineering Division and Construction-Operations Division of the Sacramento District, Corps of Engineers as outlined herein. Names, addresses, and telephone numbers for those individuals whose responsibilities are outlined in the following paragraphs are given on the personnel chart at the front of this report.
- b. The Reservoir Control Section (Engineering Division), will be responsible for:
- (!) Analyzing current reservoir and hydrologic data, determining the condition under which the reservoir shall be operated, and issuing appropriate operation instructions to the reservoir operator.
- (2) Preparing monthly operation and other special reports relative to operation of the reservoir as required by the Office, Chief of Engineers, and as needed for operational purposes.
- (3) Advising the District Engineer whenever there has been an unavoidable departure from these regulations, or when there is a need for making a temporary modification of these regulations.
- (4) Keeping advised at all times of downstream channel conditions by making periodic field inspections.
- (5) Arranging with local interests for collection of current flow and diversion data.
- (6) Obtaining from local interests each month a summary of recorded Kings River flows and diversions; maintaining a record of instructions issued, data transmitted to other agencies, and requests received from other agencies.
- c. The responsibilities of the Reservoir Operator (Construction-Operations Division) are outlined in Appendix A.
 - d. The Hydrology Section (Engineering Division) will be responsible for:
- (1) Obtaining current hydrometeorological data and weather forecast for the region as required for use by the Chief, Reservoir Control Section.
 - (2) Maintaining hydrologic equipment and supervising its operation.
- (3) Supervising a program of water quality and sediment measurement.

35. HYDROLOGIC FACILITIES

Hydrologic facilities for operation of the project consist of:

- a. A weather station at the dam consisting of:
 - (I) Recording precipitation gage.
 - (2) Non-recording precipitation gage.
- (3) Weather Bureau class A land evaporation pan with anemometer and a maximum-minumum U tube thermometer.
- (4) Cottonbelt type shelter containing hygrothermograph, maximum thermometer, minimum thermometer and fan aspirated psychrometer.
 - b. Recording and non-recording pool gages on the dam.
- c. Wire reporting and recording outflow stream gaging stations on Kings River.
 - d. First-class stream gaging station on Kings River below North Fork.
- e. Other recording stream gaging stations on downstream channels as shown on chart 3.
 - f. Snow courses shown on chart 2.
 - g. Snow pillows shown on chart 2.
 - h. Precipitation stations shown on chart 2.
 - Sedimentation ranges shown on chart 18.

36. FLOOD RUNOFF FORECASTS

- a. Normally the reservation maintained in Pine Flat Lake through the winter is greater than that required to control major rainfloods. Therefore, the probability of spills from Pine Flat Lake due to a rainflood is small. However, local flows downstream may be substantial and releases should be curtailed at the onset of an impending flood. Rainflood forecast criteria for flows into Pine Flat Lake and an area elevation curve are shown on charts 19 and 20.
- b. During the snowmelt season, the release schedule for Pine Flat Lake is based on runoff forecasts. Forecasts of snowmelt made by the Department of Water Resources of the State of California will be utilized in the operation of Pine Flat Lake. The department publishes forecasts of runoff through July into Pine Flat Lake as of I February, I March, I April, and I May of each year. Preliminary forecast values are furnished the District Office by the 10th of each of these months. The forecasts are published in "Water Conditions in California". A forecast summary is shown on chart 21.

37. COORDINATION WITH OTHER AGENCIES

In order to assure that the flood control operation of Pine Flat Lake is effective, it is essential the Corps of Engineers be aware at all times of possible flood hazards, weather conditions, inflow to Millerton and Pine Flat Lakes, and the flows in the San Joaquin and Kings River. This requires close liaison with other agencies including the National Weather Service, the State of California Department of Water Resources, the Bureau of Reclamation, the Kings River Water Association, the Kings River Conservation District, and other downstream interests.

CHAPTER VIII - WATER RIGHTS

38. WATER RIGHTS FOR IRRIGATION

With the exception of water used by a few riparian owners who pump water from the river, virtually all use of Kings River water between Piedra and Mendota is being administered by the Kings River Water Association.

39. WATER RIGHTS FOR POWER

Pacific Gas and Electric Company has no water rights in the Kings River Basin but has contracted with irrigation interests for use of Kings River water for power. The agreement is dated 20 December 1954 and was amended 18 January 1972.

CHAPTER IX - PROJECT ACCOMPLISHMENTS

40. EXAMPLES OF OPERATION

Hypothetical operation during the standard project and the December 1955 rainflood is illustrated on charts 13 and 15. Hypothetical operation of Pine Flat Lake during the spiilway design flood is shown on chart 16. Hypothetical routings of historic snowmelt floods are shown on chart 14. Stage duration curves are presented on chart 22, a stage frequency curve on chart 23, and a seasonal variation of reservoir storage on chart 24.

41. OPERATION RECORD

The official operation record of Pine Flat Lake is included in a monthly report submitted to the Chief of Engineers. Daily storage and daily outflow are published annually in the U.S. Geological Survey Water Supply Papers. Historical operation of Pine Flat is shown graphically on chart 25.

CHAPTER X - FUTURE DEVELOPMENT

42. PROJECTS UNDER CONSTRUCTION

Pacific Gas and Electric Company is presently constructing the Helms Pumped Storage Project between Courtright and Wishon Reserviors. The project is scheduled to be operational by 1981.

43. POTENTIAL DEVELOPMENT

In December 1974 the International Engineering Company, under contract to the Kings River Conservation District, completed a "Master Plan Study for Kings River Service Area". As a result of the study, the Kings River Conservation District applied to the Federal Power Commission for a preliminary permit covering hydroelectric sites at Pine Flat, Piedra, Mill Creek, Rodgers Crossing and Dinkey Creek. The permit was granted and the Kings River Conservation District is presently applying for licenses to construct the first two units of their proposed development: a hydroelectric power plant at Pine Flat Dam, and power development on Dinkey Creek.

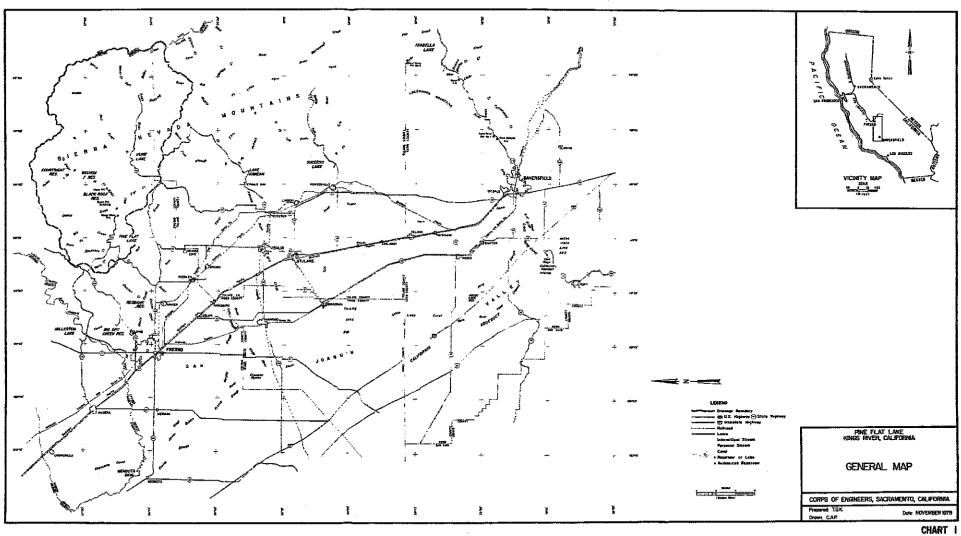


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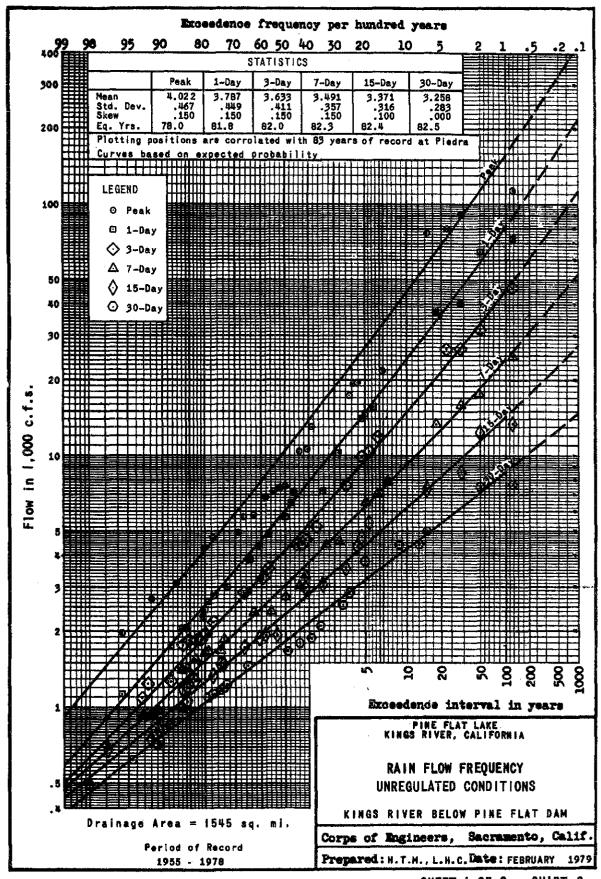
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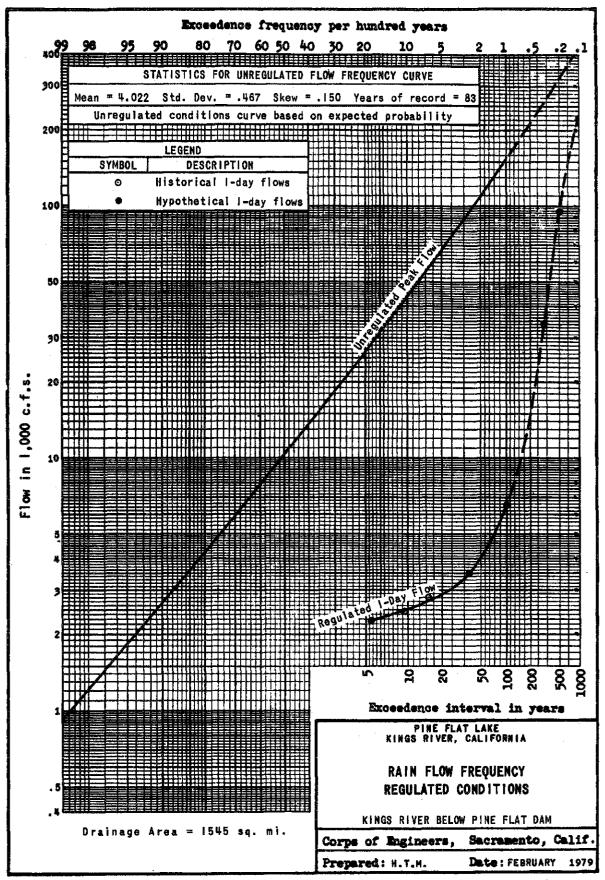
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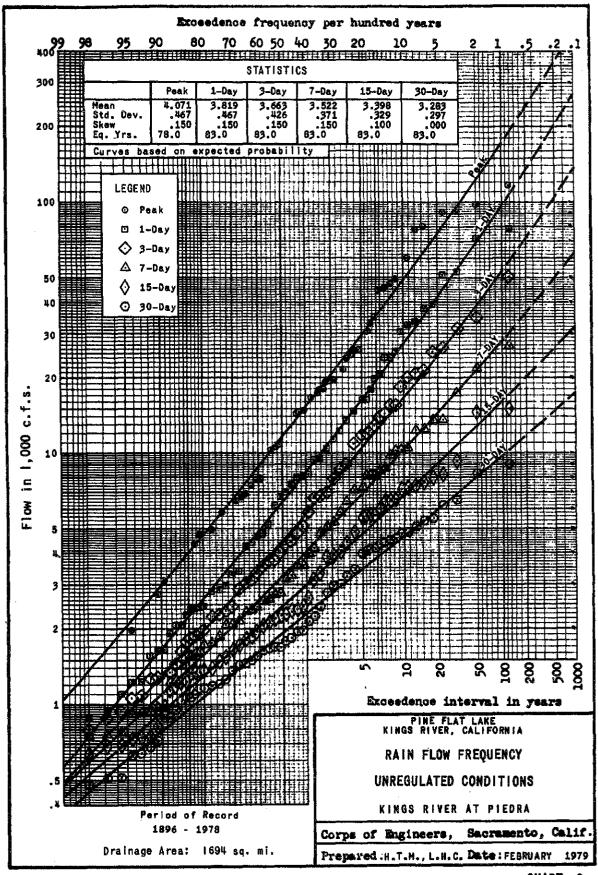
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1955	8.7	18.0	26.9	39.1	50.3	62.0	122.3	329.4	330.8	77.7	31.0	11.2	1107.4
1956	8.7	13.2	379.7	204.5	98.6	127.5	239.6	519.2	565.9	266.8	67.8	26.8	2518.3
1957	24.2	18.2	16.6	21.5	50.0	66.7	122.4	318.2	467.1	100.7	28.6	11.2	1245.4
1958	16.2	24.7	44.0	39.3	87.5	154.9	321.4	751.2	647.3	271.0	92.2	31.4	2481.1
1959	16.7	14.2	13.7	26.9	70.0	92.3	182.8	191.9	122.7	30.3	15.0	25.4	801.9
1960	12.7	8.3	8.3	14.0	45.7	62.8	166.6	227.1	122.3	25.3	10.5	7.8	711.4
1961	10.3	20.4	24.1	14.6	20.9	37.9	116.7	161.9	104.6	20.2	25.5	10.6	567.7
1962	7.8	11.3	20.5	22.9	153.2	92.0	373.0	423.7	510.3	188.4	47.5	17.7	1868.3
1963	17.3	12.0	9.7	76.8	186.1	85.9	176.2	469.7	505.7	271.5	74.6	31.3	1916.8
1964	26.9	58.4	37.6	28.5	26.6	47.3	129.1	266.6	192.5	53.8	24.8	12.0	904.1
1965	9.6	33.8	148.2	149.3	82.0	94.9	222.1	411.3	450.7	231.0	110.8	29.8	1981.5
1966	17.1	68.7	59.7	53.3	43.4	101.2	274.2	368.8	143.5	46.4	23.5	9.7	1209.5
1967	8.5	28.3	295.3	99.1	99.7	208.0	217.4	607.0	847.6	649.2	161.2	66.7	3288.0
1968	25.4	24.8	36.0	33.4	53.2	70.2	140.0	246.1	137.1	41.4	18.6	7.0	833.2
1969	16.0	31.9	42.0	393.5	201.0	185.2	396.6	1117.1	1014.8	587.5	171.5	50.1	4207.2
1970	35.4	30.2	35.4	116.5	60.9	101.7	132.4	397.3	254.9	99.4	29.9	13.8	1307.8
1971	11.6	28.5	58.9	60.4	56.5	81.0	152.5	272.2	298.6	96.9	30.8	15.0	1162.9
1972	12.8	24.1	40.9	35.7	38.1	115.2	114.5	235.3	159.2	39.0	11.4	29.2	855.4
1973	17.5	28.6	39.2	76.8	87.5	112.0	211.6	748.3	550.7	154.7	50.0	15.4	2092.3
1974	21.3	56.1	59.9	109.1	53.8	161.3	233.9	619.6	515.3	154.6	56.8	14.9	2056.6
1975	15.1	18.5	26.4	30.6	53.1	101.4	97.9	522.2	512.1	125.5	32.1	15.0	1549.9
1976	36.0	26.0	21.0	14.9	24.9	45.7	73.7	160.0	47.3	21.9	16.7	42.6	532.7
1977	29.2	13.2	9.0	13.7	13.7	19.0	70.9	83.2	105.0	15.2	6.7	6.5	385.3
1978	6.2	10.1	68.8	131.2	174.8	254.9	275.1	607.6	899.9	519.1	167.1	166.8	3363.6
24-YEAR TOTAL MEAN	415.2 17.3	621.5 25.9	1521.8 63.4	1805.6 75.2	1831.5 76.3	2481.0 103.4	4562.9 190.1	10134.9 422.3	9513.9 396.4		1304.6 54.4	667.9 27.8	38949.3 1622.8

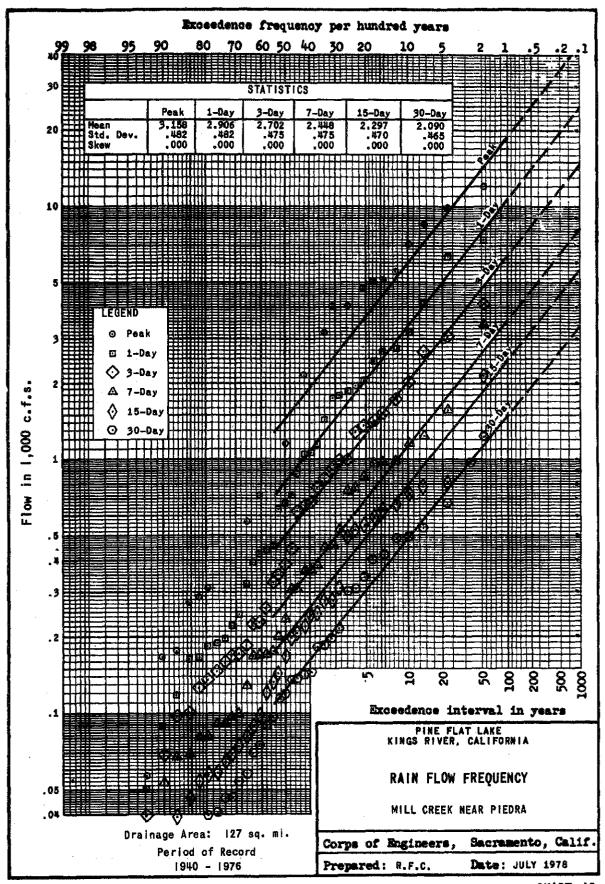
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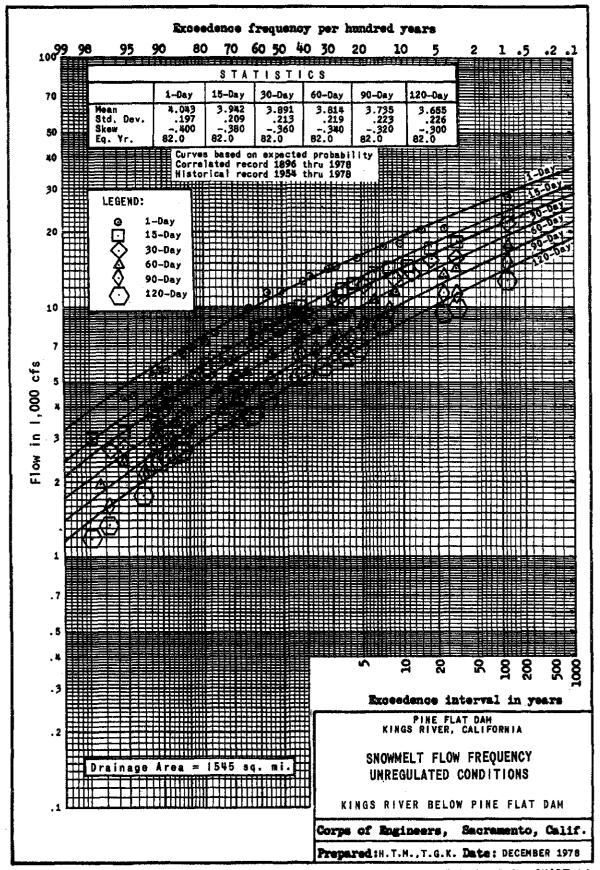
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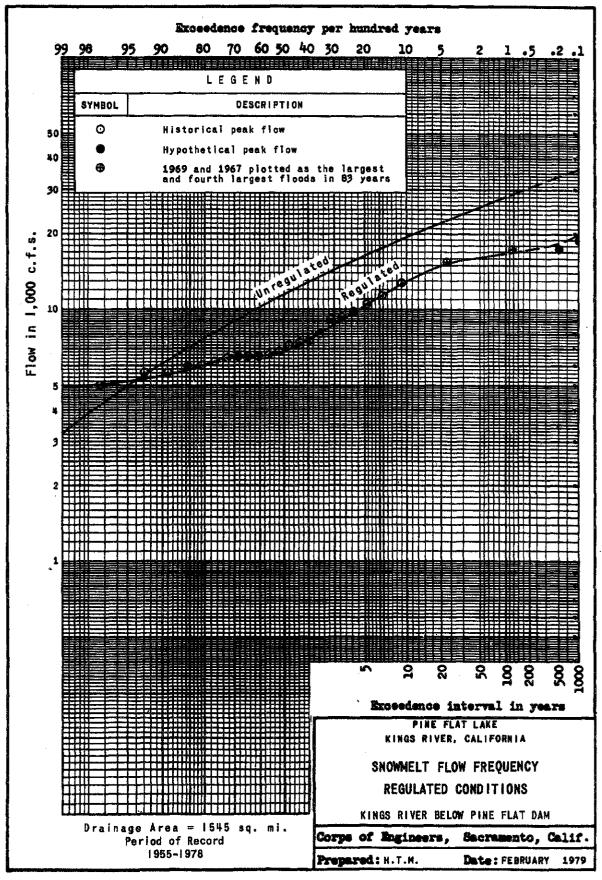


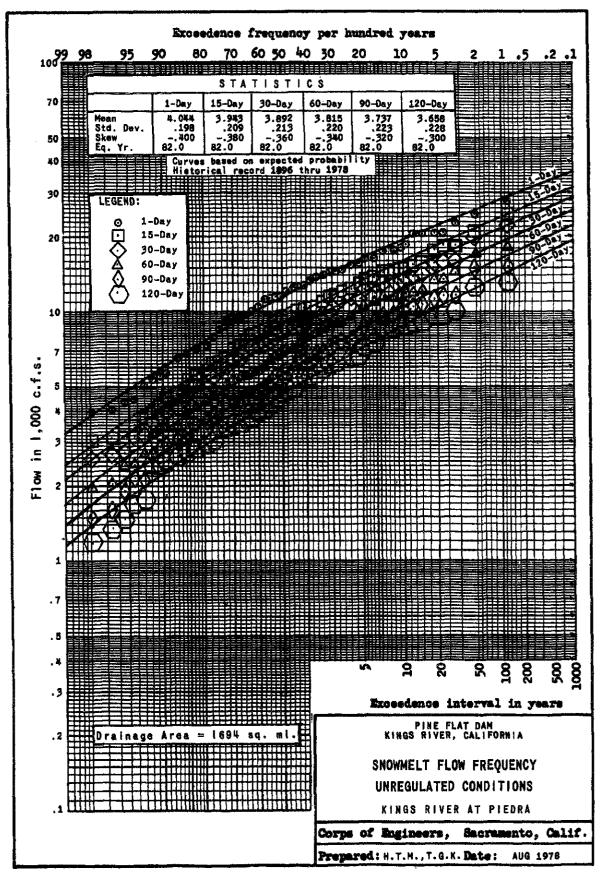


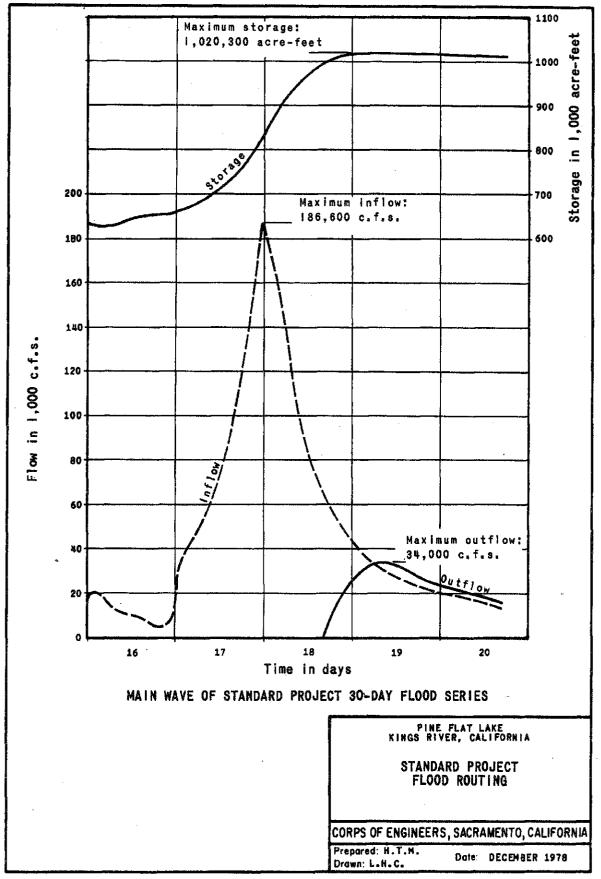


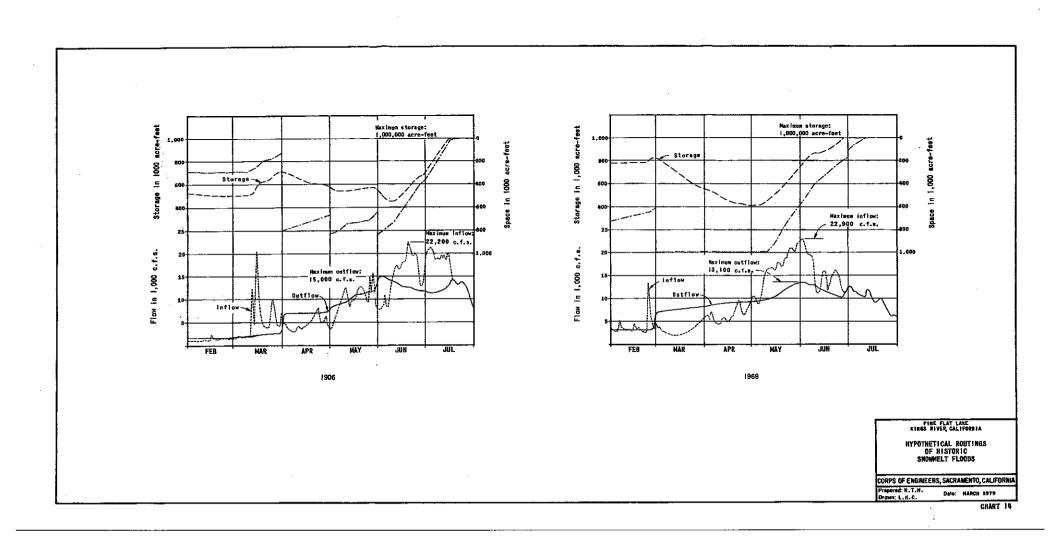


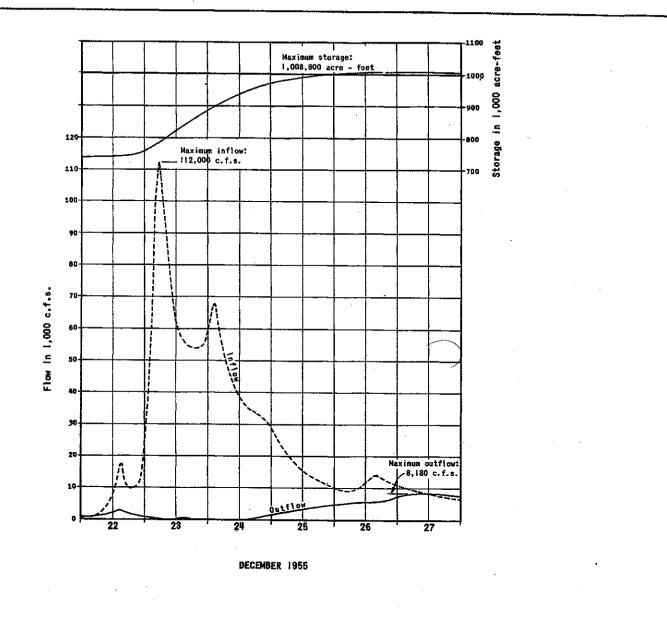










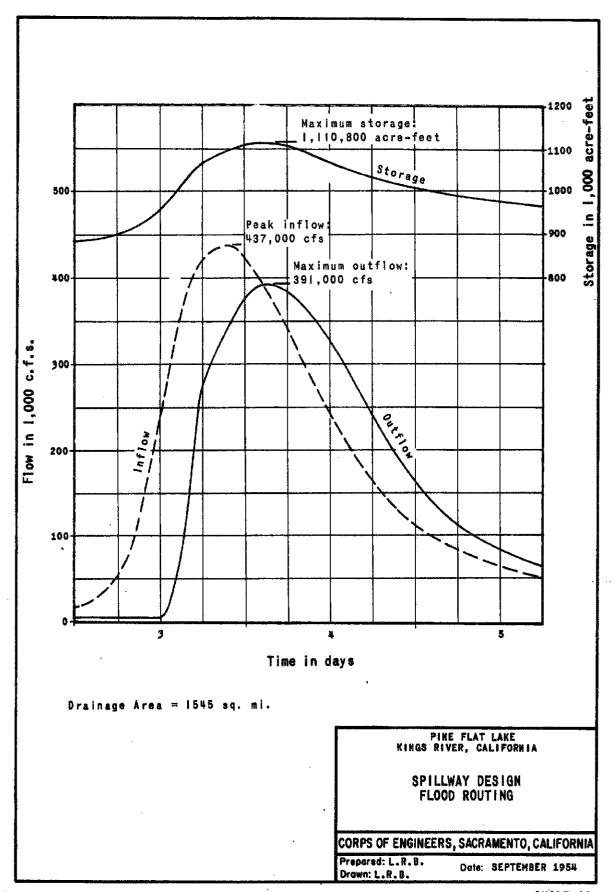


PINE FLAT LAKE KINGS RIVER, CALIFORNIA

HYPOTHETICAL ROUTING OF DECEMBER 1955 RAINFLOOD

CORPS OF ENGINEERS, SACRAMENTO, CALIFORNIA Prepared: H.T.M. Drawn: L.H.C.

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FISH AND WILDLIFE RELEASES ON KINGS RIVER

The data in this table is based on an agreement between Kings River Water Association and the State of California, dated 11 September 1964.

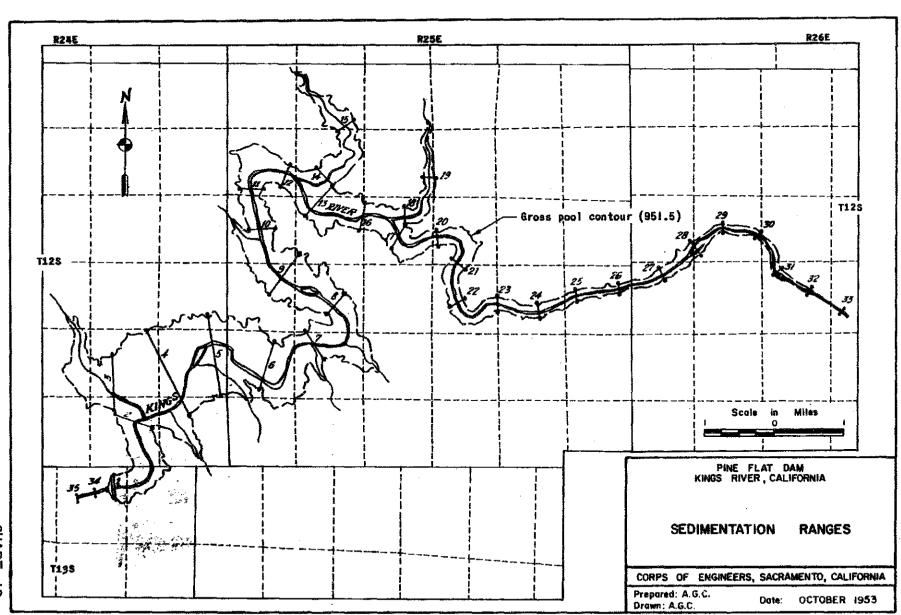
Minimum release from Pine Flat Dam: 25 c.f.s.

Minimum release at the head of Centerville Bottoms:

UNIMPAIRED RUNOFF	MINIMUM	FLOWS FOR PERIO	D (c.f.s.)
OF KINGS RIVER AT PIEDRA FOR WATER YEAR (acre-feet)	1 OCTOBER THROUGH 15 NOVEMBER	16 NOVEMBER THROUGH 31 MARCH	1 APRIL Through 30 September
1.000,000 or less	50	50	50
1,100,000	60	50	60
1,200,000	70	50	70
1,250,000	75	50	75
1,300,000	75	50	80
1,400,000	75	50	90
1,500,000 or more	75	50	100

NOTES:

- 1. The flow at the head of Centerville Bottoms is defined as the sum of the actual flow of Kings River at Piedra and the discharge from the Friant-Kern Canal into Kings River, decreased by diversions to Gould, Fresno, Alta and Consolidated Canals (exclusive of diversion through canal for China Slough Ditch).
- 2. The minimum flow requirements shown above increase or decrease proportionally to the nearest cubic foot per second between each stage of unimpaired runoff.
- 3. The minimum release requirements for the period I April through 30 September shall be based on actual flows to date of release plus the forecasted subsequent runoff as determined by California Department of Water Resources, assuming median subsequent hydrologic conditions.
- 4. The minimum release requirements for the period 1 October through 15 November shall be based on the unimpaired runoff of Kings River at Piedra for the immediately preceding water year.
- No minimum releases shall be made in excess of the calculated daily unimpaired runoff of Kings River at Piedra.



CHART

TWO HOUR UNIT GRAPH FOR 750 SQUARE MILES

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TIME	AVERAGE
IN HOURS	FLOW IN C.F.S.
, 0	Ö
2	13,976
4	45,431
6	57,921
8	41,245
10	23,693
12	14,956
14	10,361
16	7,600
18	5,808
20	4,479
22	3,492
24	2,769
26	2,206
28	1,768
30	1,404
32	1,090
34	, 870
36	722
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40	397
42	286
44	215
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		HISTORIC	FLOOD	DATA		
DATE	TOTAL PRECIPITATION (Inches)	34° ELEVATION (Feet MSL)	INITIAL LOSS (Inches)	CONSTANT LOSS RATE (Inches per 2 hours)	FLOW VOLUME At Piedra (Ac-ft)	LOCAL RUNOFF VOLUME AT PIEDRA (Ac-ft)
18-26 Jan 69	24.7	5700	5.8	-4	369000	69500
I- 7 Dec 66	15.7	8000	7.0	.4	224000	18500
18-25 Dec 55	17.1	8100	2.1	.4	30900	21900

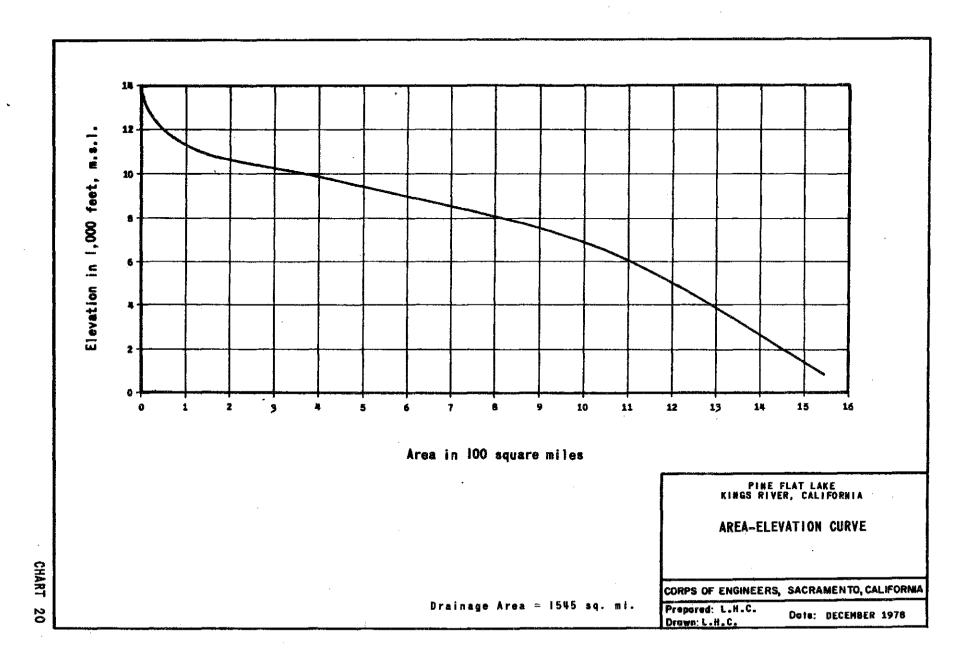
PINE FLAT LAKE KINGS RIVER, CALIFORNIA

PINE FLAT LAKE RAINFLOOD FORECAST CRITERIA

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SUMMARY OF FORECASTED AND ACTUAL SNOWMELT RUNOFF INTO PINE FLAT LAKE

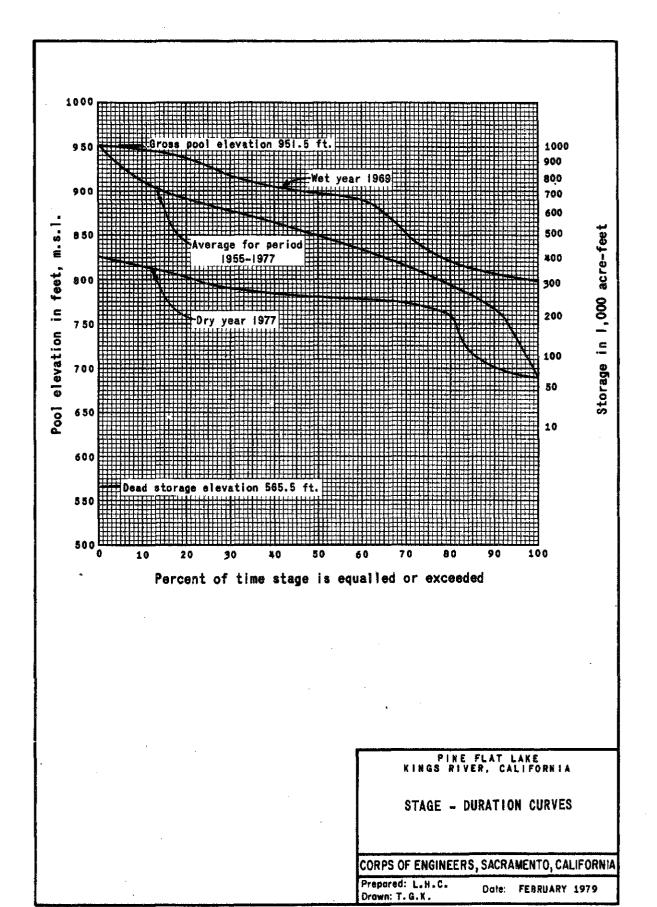
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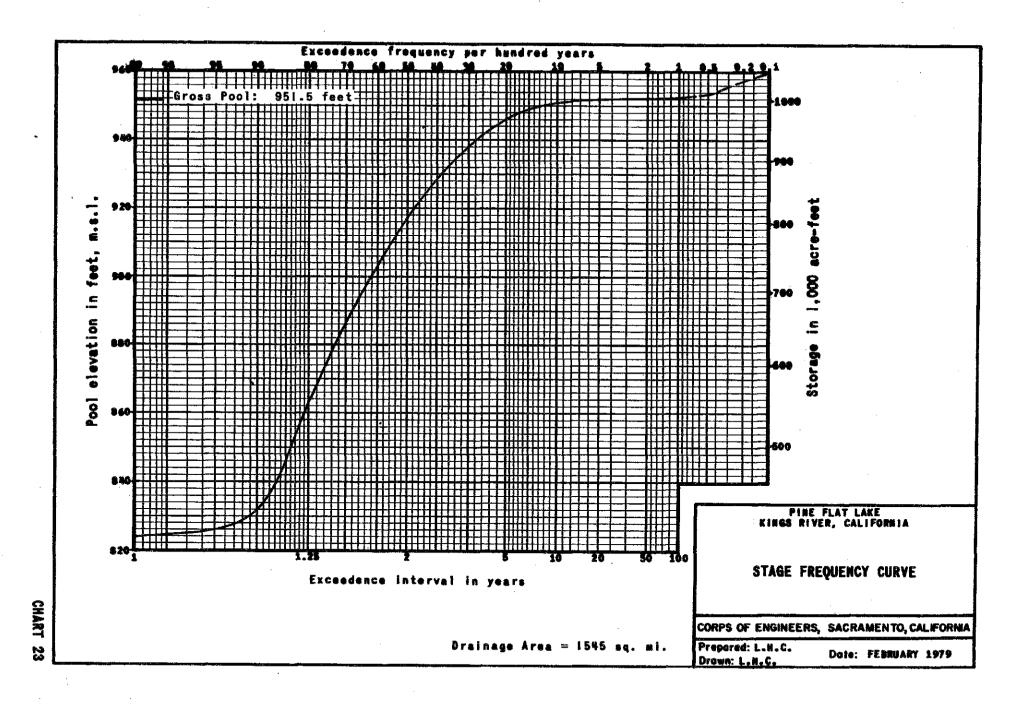
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1956	1,591	2, 194	+ 603	+ 27	1,847	+ 25		1,597	+ 6	0
1957	1,008	849	- 159	- 18	839	- 16	- 20	730	- 278	- 38
1958	1,991	1,150	- 841	- 73	1,260	- 73	- 58	2,150	+ !59	+ 7
1959	528	760	+ 232	÷ 30	980	+ 45	+ 46	670	+ 142	+ 21
1960	541	550	+ 9	+ 1	680	+ 13	→ 20°	560	+ 19	+ 3
1961	403	770	+ 367	+ 47	500	+ 9	7 + 19	420	+ 17	+ 4
1962	1,495	840	- 655	- 77	1,440	- 5	5 - 3	1,520	+ 25	+ 1
1963	1,423	760	- 663	∽ 87	770	- 65	- 85	800	- 623	- 78
1964	642	850	+ 208	+ 24	510	- 13		560	- 62	- 15
1965	1,323	1,500	+ 177	+11	1,175	- 14		1,100	- 223	- 20
1966	833	1,280	+ 447	+ 34	1,090	+ 25	+ 24	780	- 53	_ 7
1967	2,321	1,600	- 721	- 45	1,270	- 1,05	I - 83	1,650	- 671	- 41
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1969	3,116	2,200	- 916	- 41	2,900	- 21	6 - 7	2,950	- 166	1 - (
1970	884	1,200	+ 316	÷ 26	1,020	÷ 13	5 + 13	1,000	+ 116	+ 12
1971	820	1,220	+ 400	+ 33	950	+ 13		. 840	÷ 20	1 + ;
1972	548	1,090	+ 542	+ 49	830	+ 28	2 + 34	500	- 48	- 16
1973	1,665	1,325	- 345	- 26	1,610	- 5	5 - 3	1,840	+ 175	+ 5
1974	1,523	1,380	- 143	- 10	1,130	- 39	- 35	1,450	- 73	1 - 9
1975	1,266	820	- 446	- 54	980	- 28	- 29	1,350	+ 84	+ 1
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1977	274	465	+ 191	+ 41	230	- 4	l - 19	200	- 74	- 37
1978	2,382	t , 600	- 782	- 48	1,945	- 43	- 22	2,350	- 32	-
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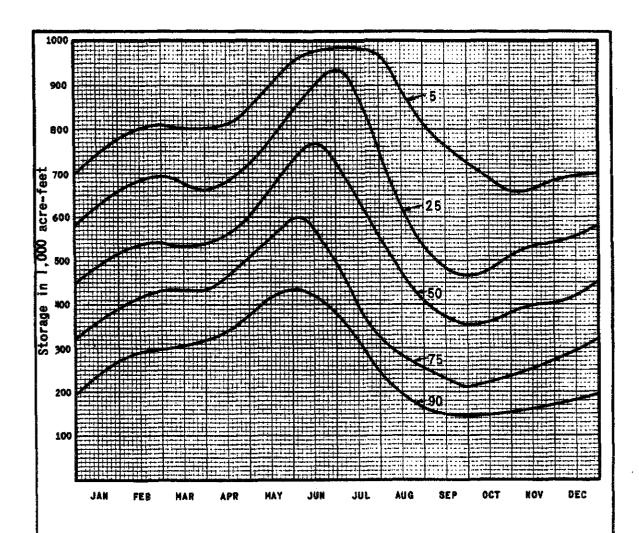
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1,160	1,380	+ 220	+ 16	638	NA.	WA	ЖÁ
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- 1. MA = Not Available.
- 2. Forecasts prepared and published by State of California.
- 3. Computed error based on past performance is not necessarily indicative of the accuracy that may be achieved in the future.







NOTE:

Indicated value is percentage of years that storage is exceeded on a given date based on total end of month storage for the years 1955-1978. Data extracted from U.S.G.S. water supply papers.

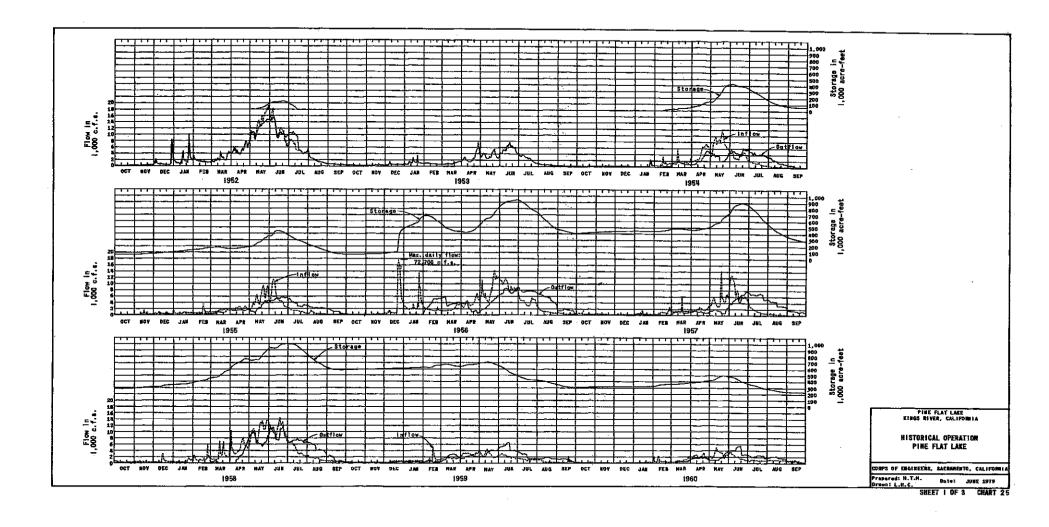
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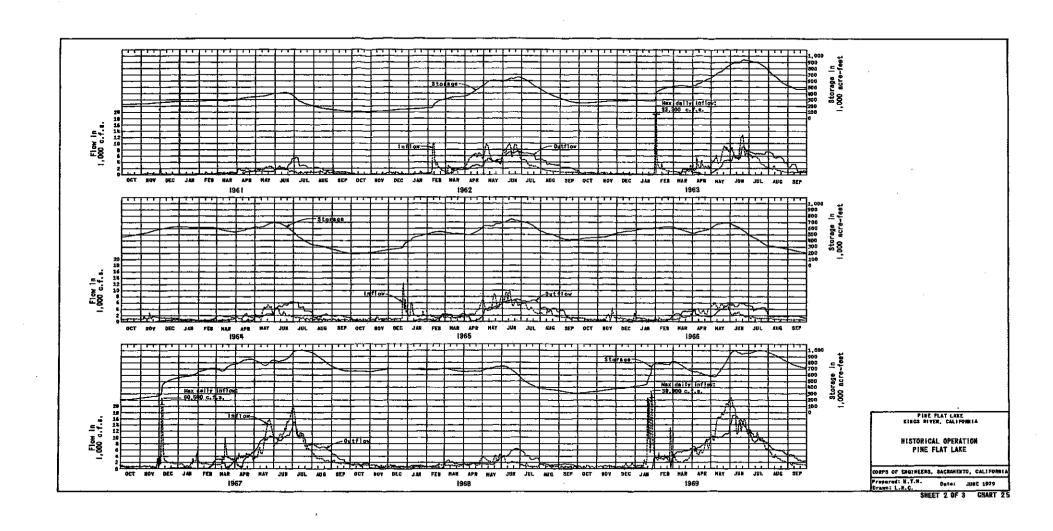
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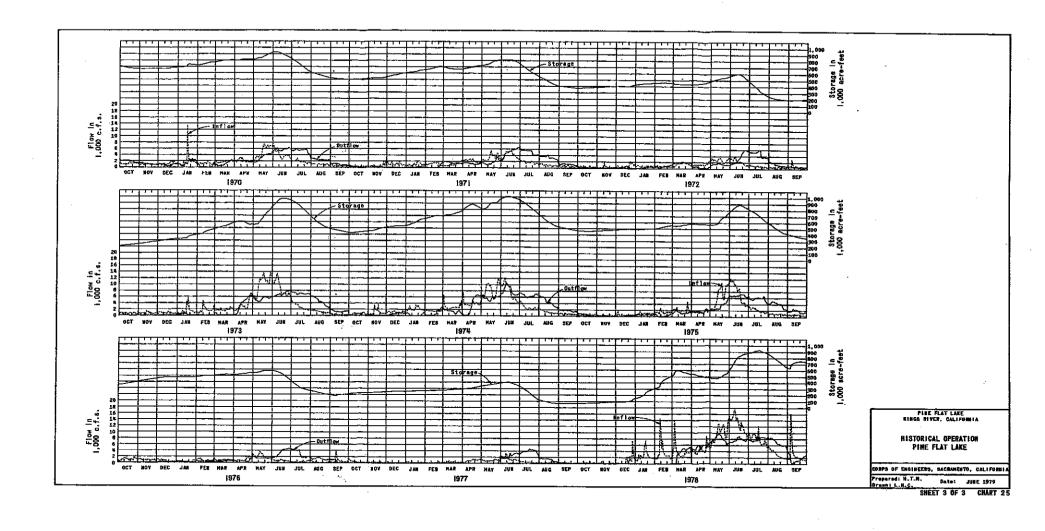
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APPENDIX A STANDING OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS

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RESERVOIR REGULATION MANUAL FOR PINE FLAT LAKE KINGS RIVER, CALIFORNIA

APPENDIX A STANDING OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS

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I. GENERAL

- a. This appendix to the "Reservoir Regulation Manual, Pine Flat Lake, Kings River, California" is prepared in accordance with instructions contained in EM 1110-2-3600, paragraph 4-07 (Standing Instructions to Dam Operators) and pertains to duties and responsibilities of the Dam Operator in connection with the functional operation of Pine Flat Lake for flood control, and the reporting of required hydrologic data.
- b. Operational instructions to the Dam Operator are briefly outlined with specific emphasis on the Dam Operator's duties and responsibilities during extreme flood emergencies when communication facilities between the dam and Sacramento District Office are disrupted. It is designed for optional separation from the manual, and used as an emergency flood control regulation guide, or as published in conjunction with the "Reservoir Regulation Manual, Pine Flat Lake." To facilitate independent use of this appendix, charts required for emergency flood control operation of Pine Flat Lake are included.

2. OPERATION REQUIREMENTS

Operation of Pine Flat Lake is accomplished by Corps of Engineers personnel under supervision of the Construction-Operations Division of the Sacramento District Office, with instructions on all matters covering flood control operation received directly from the Reservoir Control Section of the Engineering Division. The Park Manager is responsible for:

- a. Accomplishing the physical operation of the reservoir in accordance with instructions contained in this manual or issued by the Reservoir Control Section. During storms, this will often require 24-hour attendance at the dam.
- b. Calculating and maintaining a continuous provisional record of inflows, outflows, storage, weather data, upstream reservoir storages, and other data specified by the Reservoir Control Section. This information should be recorded on forms designed for that purpose.
- c. Reporting by radio (or telephone) to the Reservoir Control Section such data as outlined in paragraphs 8 and 9, and other data that may be requested from time to time.
- d. Keeping local interests continuously advised of the operation of the reservoir.
- e. Reporting to the Reservoir Control Section any unusual condition in the reservoir or along the downstream channels which might interfere with the planned operation of the reservoir.
- f. Maintaining all trash racks clear of trash in order that the outlet gates can be operated systematically and effectively.

- g. Maintaining a log of gate operation on the appropriate form furnished, containing (1) change in position of gates, (2) date and time, (3) reservoir water level, and (4) the initials of the individual accomplishing the change.
- h. Immediately after the end of each month, dispatching the data specified in paragraph b to the Reservoir Control Section.
- i. Making emergency operation changes when contact with the District Office is broken and a clearly defined change occurs that warrants immediate action. Charts A-I through A-8 are included for use in accomplishing the various operational requirements specified above, and in preparing the required operation reports listed in paragraph 8.

3. LIMITATIONS ON STORAGE

Operational limitations on storage in Pine Flat Lake are specified in paragraphs 6 and 7. There are no legal limitations on storage, as the taking line elevation (961 feet) is above any normal operation level.

4. LIMITATIONS ON RELEASES

Unless flood releases are required, outflows will depend on irrigation and fish requirements. These requirements will be determined by the Kings River Watermaster. Also, any necessary releases in excess of irrigation demands should be restricted as long as possible to channel capacities as listed on chart A-6, or as otherwise determined by the Corps of Engineers. Releases of flood water to Tulare Lake will be delayed as long as possible in order to permit harvesting of crops. Flows in Kings River North should be restricted when they would cause San Joaquin River flows to exceed preproject quantities.

5. OUTLET WORKS

- a. Heads under which outlets may be operated at full opening are limited by the ability of the machinery to open and close the slide gates and by the possibility of developing negative pressures within the conduit. The machinery for operating the outlet gates is designed to open and close the gate leaves under 300 feet of head for normal operation and under 390 feet of head for emergency operation. Although model studies indicated that pressures low enough to cause cavitation would not occur, actual operation has shown that cavitation will occur at full gate opening with heads of about 300 feet. Unless further operating experience indicates otherwise, the safe full gate operating head for the lower tier will be assumed to be 285 feet (pool elevation 855) and for the upper tier 184 feet (pool elevation 924).
- b. In addition to the restrictions on full gate openings discussed above, it is possible that vibration of the gates or cavitation will further restrict the head under which partial gate openings can be maintained. Although operating experience indicates that these factors are not serious, gate operation schedules contained in paragraph 5d below are designed to minimize the possibilities of excessive vibration or cavitation.

- c. Model studies of the upper tier of conduits indicated that when full gate openings were used within the range of pool elevations between 762 and 817 feet surges were observed. In actual operation surge has been observed at pool elevations as high as 831 feet. Such surge action can be eliminated by reducing gate openings to about 7 feet. Although operating experience has indicated that surge action will not have serious consequences, attempts will be made to avoid it by reducing gate openings as necessary in those conduits where surge is observed and increasing gate openings as necessary in other upper-tier conduits.
 - d. The schedule of gate operation will be as follows:
- (1) It is not anticipated that there will be any hydraulic limitation on the sequence or arrangement of gate openings, but it is suggested that the upper and lower tier gates at each level be opened fully in turn in the following order and closed in the reverse order (gates numbered from left to right looking downstream):

Lower tier:

3, 2, 4, 1, 5

Upper tier:

8, 7, 9, 6, 10

Spillway:

All gates simultaneously. (See paragraph 5d(4))

- (2) Fine regulation shall not cause gate openings to be less than 2 inches. Openings under 2 inches cause excessive cavitation to the gate leaf lip and gate frames.
- (3) At water surface elevations below 751 feet, all releases shall be made through the lower outlets, and the upper outlets and spillway gates shall remain closed.
- (4) At water surface elevations between 751 and 924 feet, releases shall be made through the upper outlets insofar as possible, and the lower outlets shall be open only as required to discharge the desired release in cooperation with the upper outlets. Spillway gates shall remain closed within this range. Openings of the upper-tier gates shall be limited to values that do not result in surge action, the probable range of which is indicated on chart A-4. Surge action is observable as a pulsation in outflow at the downstream face of the dam.
- (5) At water surface elevations above 924, all outlets shall be closed and regulation made by spillway gates alone. Such regulation can most easily be affected by manipulating one gate at a time, but keeping the maximum difference in the six openings to 1 foot after the initial setting is made and until such time as the spillway gates are to be closed completely.
- (6) During the transitions between lower and upper outlets and between upper outlets and spillway gates, care shall be taken to assure that fluctuation in downstream flows is minimized. This requires opening one set of gates in increments simultaneously with the closing of the other set of gates in equivalent increments (increments representing equal changes in release).

6. FLOOD CONTROL OPERATION

- a. The release schedule for flood control operation of Pine Flat Reservoir, until emergency spillway releases are required, is given on chart A-8. This diagram is designed to reserve the necessary flood control space during the winter season to control rain floods and to prepare for possible spring snowmelt floods. After I February when snowmelt forecasts become available, the diagram indicates the space required to control snowmelt runoff based on the forecast. If the space available is less than that required, the diagram indicates the release in excess of irrigation demand (supplemental release) that must be made to provide protection from snowmelt floods while filling the reservoir at the end of the season. Runoff forecasts shall be provided by the State of California, and releases shall be determined by the Reservoir Control Section of the Corps of Engineers.
- b. When the reservoir water surface is near spillway crest elevation (916.5 feet) and the pool is rising rapidly, the reservoir operator shall make frequent checks on the pool elevation and rate of rise and shall keep the Reservoir Control Section informed. The Reservoir Control Section shall then determine whether greater releases are required by the emergency spillway release diagram, chart A-7.

7. CONSERVATION OPERATION

irrigation releases, including water desired in the Tulare Lake area, should be requested on a day-to-day basis by the Kings River Watermaster. Operation for conservation in accordance with the interim contract with local interests is as follows:

- a. All inflow in excess of the release requested by the Kings River Watermaster is stored to the extent that conservation space in the reservoir is available.
- b. Water stored for irrigation is released in accordance with the requests of the Kings River Watermaster, which are normally made directly to the reservoir operator.

8. OPERATION REPORTS

- a. The reservoir operator shall report the following data by radio or telephone to the Reservoir Control Section each work day between 7:30 a.m. and 9:00 a.m.:
 - (1) Reservoir stage and storage as of midnight.
 - (2) Reservoir storage increment (ending at midnight).
 - (3) Pan evaporation.
 - (4) Lake evaporation.

- (5) Mean daily flows (ending at midnight) of:
 - (a) Kings River below Pine Flat Dam.
 - (b) Kings River below North Fork.
 - (c) Mill Creek near Piedra.
 - (d) Total inflow.
- (6) Storages in upstream reservoirs.
- (7) Preproject flow.
- (8) Daily precipitation at the dam as measured at 7:00 a.m. and seasonal total to date.
- (9) Inches (total and change) of snow at 7:00 a.m., reported by radio reporting hydraulic gages.

When conditions do not warrant weekend or holiday reports, complete reports for each day shall be made on the first day following the non-reporting period. More frequent reports of the above information and reports of other Kings River data will be made in the same manner when requested by the Reservoir Control Section. Forms furnished to the operators are to be used in computing the above information.

- b. Immediately after the end of each month, the reservoir operator will dispatch to the Reservoir Control Section all original forms used for observations and computations as specified in paragraphs 2b, 2g and 8a above. The charts and punch tapes for that month from the following instruments will be included.
 - (1) Recording precipitation gage chart.
 - (2) Reservoir level recorder punch tape.
 - (3) Remote recording gages punch tapes.

9. SPECIAL WEATHER AND FLOOD REPORTS

- a. During the rainflood season, I October to I May, the reservoir operator shall call the Reservoir Control Section immediately whenever one of the following occurs:
- (1) One inch or more of rainfall occurs at the project during any 6-hour period or 1.5 inches of rainfall during any 24-hour period.
- (2) An increase in flow of 2,000 c.f.s. or more at the Kings River inflow station during any 8-hour period.

b. Any special report based on one of the foregoing criteria should include the latest available data concerning the other. On non-working days or at night, these special reports should be telephoned directly to the the Chief of the Reservoir Control Section or his designated alternate.

10. COMPUTATION OF HYDROLOGIC DATA

- a. The required hydrologic data to be reported, as specified in paragraph 8 above, for the use in operation of Pine Flat Lake and for official record purposes may be obtained or computed as follows:
- (1) Reservoir stage is obtained from the recording pool gage at the dam and storage is obtained from the Pine Flat Lake area-capacity table.
- (2) Reservoir storage increment is the algebraic difference between the previous day's recorded midnight storage and the most recent midnight storage.
- (3) Pan evaporation is obtained from the class A evaporation land pan located at Pine Flat Dam.
- (4) Lake evaporation in inches is equal to the pan evaporation in inches multiplied by the evaporation coefficient shown on chart A-3. For this computation, pan evaporation as measured at 7:00 a.m. is used to compute lake evaporation for the previous day.

(a) Pan evaporation (inches):

x Gross Evaporation Coefficient

x Average Lake Area (acres) = Acre-Feet
 (Round to nearest acre-foot for next computation)
 Acre-Feet x 0.50417* = s.f.d. = mean c.f.s. for 24-hours.

*Coefficient shown is for 24-hour day. When changing to daylight savings time or from daylight savings time the coefficients are as follows: for 23-hour day (change to D.S.T.) use 0.52609; for 25-hour day (change from D.S.T.) use 0.48400.

- (b) Lake area used when computing evaporation will be the average area for the day; obtained by averaging the midnight areas at the beginning and ending of the period being computed.
- (5) Procedures used to compute mean daily flows are detailed in subparagraph 10b below. The gage heights to compute flows required in sub-paragraph 8a (5) should be obtained as follows:

- (a) Kings River below Pine Flat Dam from gage reading.
- (b) Kings River below North Fork from gage reading.
- (c) Mill Creek near Piedra from gage reading.
- (d) Computed mean inflow to the lake will be taken as the algebraic sum of the mean outflow, change in lake storage, and evaporation for the lake water surface and will represent mean inflow to the lake from all sources including rainfall on the lake surface.

Mean Daily Outflow (c.f.s.) +
Change in Lake Storage (s.f.d.) +
Evaporation (s.f.d.) =
Mean Inflow (c.f.s.)

- (6) Computed preproject flow at the lake will be the mean daily inflow plus evaporation losses from the upstream power reservoirs, (Wishon, Courtright), plus the gain (or minus the loss) in total storage in the four upstream reservoirs (Wishon, Courtright, Balch FB, and Balch AB). When important, an allowance for 12 hours travel time from Wishon and Courtright reservoirs to Pine Flat will be made.
- (7) Computed preproject flow at Piedra will be the mean daily preproject flow as computed in subparagraph 10a(6) above, plus Mill and Hughes Creek mean daily flows.
- (8) Obtain Kings River below North Fork from radio telemark streamgage.
 - (9) Precipitation at the dam is measured at the weather station.

b. Mean Daily Flow Computations

- (1) Check punch tape for errors in gage height and for time. Time is corrected to the current 15 minutes; gage height to the nearest .01 foot.
- (2) Tabulate correct gage height readings at odd hours, starting with 0100 hours. Punch tape correction, if any, should be noted.
- (3) Enter current rating table, using shifts as applicable, determine and list flow at each odd hour, using the procedure as indicated for mean daily flow in paragraph 10b (5) below.
- (4) Total the 12 flow readings so obtained and divide by 12. This is the mean daily flow.
- (5) Mean daily flow will be listed to nearest 0.1 c.f.s. for flows up to 10 c.f.s., and to the nearest 1 c.f.s. for flows above 10 c.f.s. Such values will later be rounded to 3 significant figures by the USGS prior to publication.

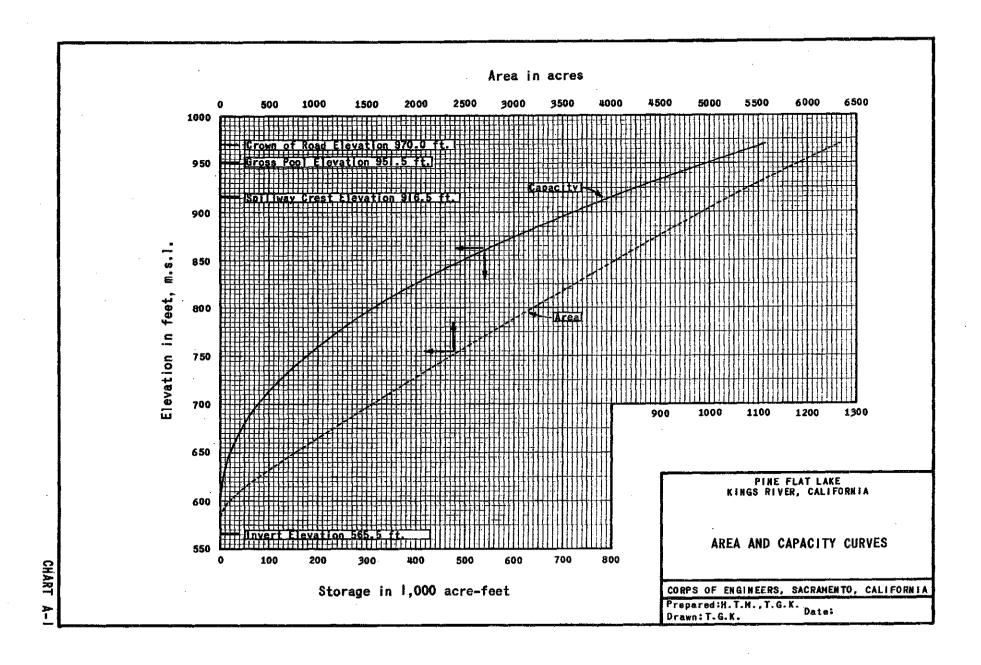
- (6) When calculating discharge from gage height with a (-) shift correction, enter rating table <u>below</u> the actual height, i.e., if actual gage height is 4.86 and shift is -.02, enter rating table at 4.84 to obtain discharge. For (+) shift, enter rating table above actual gage height.
- (7) In order to calculate the gage height for a desired flow under a (-) shift condition, add amount of (-) shift to gage height obtained from table for desired discharge, i.e., if shift is -.03, desired discharge is 5,000 c.f.s., and rating table shows gage height of 10.20 = 5,000 c.f.s., required gage height for 5,000 c.f.s. is 10.20 + .03 = 10.23. For (+) shift, subtract amount of shift from gage height obtained from table for desired discharge.

11. STANDING INSTRUCTIONS DURING FLOOD EMERGENCY

- a. Flood Control operation shall be in accordance with instructions from the Reservoir Control Section. During flood periods, close contact will be maintained between project and District personnel on a 24-hour per day basis or as otherwise required.
- b. If communication is broken between the operating personnel and the Sacramento District Office during a flood emergency, the following procedure is recommended:
- (1) Continue releases in accordance with the last instructions received from the Sacramento District and make every attempt to re-establish communication.
- (2) If communications cannot be re-established and larger releases are required by the emergency spillway release diagram (chart A-7), release should be increased in accordance with the diagram.

12. MODIFICATION OF INSTRUCTIONS

The operating rules contained herein are subject to temporary modification by the District Engineer during flood or other emergencies. Major changes in the operating rules are subject to prior approval by the Chief of Engineers.



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22,0	3510	5415 365		365	369	5562 371	372		5674 375	
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525,0		6572	6613	6654	6695	6736		6819	6861	
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630.0	8735	6783	8831	5879	8927	6975	9024	9072	9121	9170
	470						. 485	486	400	489
631.0	6210	9268	9317	9367	9416	0.444	9516	#E4A	9614	9664
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654,0		10810	10563	10917	10971	11025	11079	11134	11155	11243
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635.0	11298	11353 551.	11408	11463	11519	11574	11630	11685	11742	11798
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641,0	14859		14987	15051	15115		15245			15439
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	16841	16910	16978	17047	17116	17185	17254	17123	17393	17662
	204	685	686	688	689	691	695	694	695	697
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645.0	17532	17602	17672	17742	17813	17983	17954	18025	18096	16167
	698	. 700	701	703	794	. 705	708	709	711	712
646,0	18238	16309	18381	18453	18525	14597	18669			
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647,0	18959	19032	19105	19178	19252	19325	10300	19473	19547	19621
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648,0	19495	19770	19845	19919	19994	20069 752	20145	20220 756	20295 756	2037! 187
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450.0	21214	21291	21369	21447	21525	21603	21661	21760	21038	21917
		776			790				787	789
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452,0	22793	22874	22954	23035	23116				23442	23526
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653.0	23606	23666	23770	23652	23935	20018	24101	24184	24267	24350
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657.0	27009 882	27098	27186	27274	27363	27452	27541	27630	27719	27809
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660.0	29723	29616	29909	30002	30096	30169	30283	30377	10471	30565
	928	929	931	932	934	935	937	919	940	943
661.0	30659	TATES	TARKÁ	FAGAR	31037	111ka	31228	74777	24414	1181
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662.0	31610	31706	31802	31898	31994	32091	32188	32285	32382	32479
	959	969.	. 962	963	9.65	9.66		969	971	973
663,0	32576	32674 976	32771	32869	32967	33065	33163	33595	33360	33459
	974	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	979	950	406	493	985	440	986
664.0	33558 990	33657	33756	13855	33955	34055	34154	34254	34354	34455
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565,0	14555	34656	34756	34857	34958	35060	35141	35262	35344	35444
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666,0	35566	35670	35772	35875	35977	36080	36183	36286	34389	36493
	1020	1055	1024	1025	1027	1020	1030	1031	1033	1034
667.0	36596	36700	36804	36907	37012	37116	37220	37325	37430	37535
	1036	1037	1,039	1041	1042	1,044	1045	1047	1048	1050
468.0	37640	37745	37850	37956	38061	38167	30273	38379	38486	38592
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	1082	1084	1085	1087	1089	1090	1092	1093	1095	1096
671.0	40863	40973	41083	41194	41304	41014	41525	41036	41747	41555
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673.0	43090	43203	43316	43430	43563	43657	43770	83084	23998	44112
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674.0	44227	44341	44456	44571	44686	44801	44916	45032	45147	45243
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678,0	48929	49049	49170	49291	49412	49534	49655	49777	44844	50021
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683,0	55156	55284	55413	55542	55671	55800	55929	56059	56188	5631
	1284	1286	1287	1598	1291	1565	1294	1295	1297	129
684.0	56448	56578	RATAR	E4810	#40±0	E7140	57231	57362	57493	8743
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665.0	37756 1316			58151 1320			58548 1325		58813 1328	
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686.0	59079					59746				
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687.0	60418	60553	60667	60823	60958	61093	61550	61360	61500	6153
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	61772		. 55.55	49465	43248	62455	4250/	62730	62567	6300
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640.0	64528	64665		64947		65227	65367	65508	65648	6578
	1394	1195	.1397	1396	1400	1401	1403	1405	1406	140
691.0	65930	66071	66212	66353	66495	66636	66778	66920	67062	6720
,	1409.	1411	1412	1414	1415	1417	1419	1420	1422	142
692.0	67447	67489	67632	67775	67918	68061	68205	58348	66492	6963
	1029	1426		1430			1834			
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696.0	73172	73320	73460	73410	73768	73917	74067	74217	74347	7454
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700.0	79248 1550	79403 1958	79 558 1554	79714 1555	79869 1557	80025 1958	80181 1560	60337 1561	80493 1543	80647 1565
701.0	80896 1566	80963 1568	81120 1569	81277 1571	81434 1573	81591 1574	81749 1576	81904 1577	82044 1979	62222 1580
702,0	82380 1582	82558 1584	82697 1585	82655 1587	83014 1588	83173 1590	83332 1591	83491 1593	83451 1595	83810 1596
703.0	83970 1598	64130 1599	84290 1601	84450 1602	54610 1604	84771 1606	84931 1607	85092 1409	85253 1610	85414 1612
704.0	85576 1614	85737 1615	85899 1617	86060 1618	86222 1420	86384 1621	86547 [62]	86709 1625	86871	67034 1 526
705,0	87197	87340 1431	87523 1632	87467 1634	67650 1636	88014 1637	86177 1639	88341	8850e 1642	86670 1644
706,0	68634 1645	68999 1647	59344 1645	89328 1650	39494 1451	89459 1453	89824 1495	89990 6841	90135 1636	90321 1459
707.0	90467 1661	90653 1643	90820 1664	90986 1666	91153 1667	91320 1669	91467 1470	91654 1672	91821 1674	91969 1875
708,0	92156 1677	92324 1678	1990 2445	92660 1882	42028 6847	92997 1685	93165	93334 884!	93503 1689	93672 1691
709.0	93841 1693	94010 1694 ******	94180 1696	94349 1697	94519 169 9	94689 1701	.94859 1702 ******	95030 1704	95200 1705	95371 1707
710,0	95 542 1709	95712 1710	95484 1712	96055 1713	96226 1715	96398 1716	96570 1718	96741 1720	96913 1721	97086 1723
711.0	97258 1724	97431 1726	97603 1728	97776 1729	97949 1731	96122	982 9 6 1734	98469 1736	98643 1737	*881* 173*
712.0	98990 1740	99164 1742	99339 1784	99513 1745	99688 1747	99863 1748	100037 1750	100213 1751	100388 1753	100563 1755
713.0	100739 1756	100914	101090	101266	101442 1763	101619	1017 95 1766	101972 1767	102149	102326
714,0	1772	1774	1775	1777	1779	1780	103569	1461	1988	104104 1747
	104283	104462	104641	104620	105000	105179		104410	105719	144244
716,0	106079 1804	106260	104480	104621	106802	£89401 \$161	197165 1814	107346	107526 1917	10770 9 1818
717,0	107891 1820	108073	108254	108438 1625	108621	108803	108986	1831	109352 1633	109536
718.0	109719	109903	110087 1839	110271 1841	110455 1842	110639 1844	110824	111009	111193	111378 1851
	111563 [852	1034	1855	1857	1859	1860	1843	9448	1840	113237 1867 *******

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720.0	113424	113610 1870	113798	113985	114172	114360	114547	114735	114923	115111
721.0	115300 1884	115488	115677 1687	115866 1869	1160 55 1891	116244	116433 1874	114623 1895	116812	117002 1 04 9
722,0	117192	117362	117572 1903	117763 1905	117953 1907	118144	110335	118526	118717 1913	118909 1915
723.0	119100 1916	119292 1918	119484	119676 1921	11986B 1923	120061		120446 1926	120639	120832
724,0	1432	121218	1936	1937	121799	1941	1942	1944	1945	122771
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725.0	1949	123160	123355	1953	123746	123942	1956	124333	124529	124726
726.0	124922 1965	125119	125315	125512	125709 1971	125906 1 973	126104 1974	126301 1976	1264 99 1976	126697 1979
727.0	126895 1981	127093 1983	127291 1954	127490 1986	127658 1987	127587 1 969	125056		128483 1994	128664
728,0	126684 1997	129084 1999	12 9 264 2000	1244B4 2002	129684 2004	124884	130085 2007	130256 2008	130487 2010	20081 2008
729,0	130889 2013	2015	131292 2017	2016	131696 2020	131898 2021	132100 2023	2025	132505 2026	152708 8505
730.0	132410 2030		133317	133520 2034	133724 2036	133927 8205	134131		134339 2043	134744 2044
731.0	130945	135153 2047	135358 2049	135563	135768	135973 2054		136384 2057	136590 2099	134796 - 2060
732.0	5007E1	13720 5 2064	137415	137621	137828	138035 2070	138242 2072	138449 2073	138457 2075	1388e4 2077
733.0	139072 2076	139280	139488 2082	139696	134905	140113 2056	140322	140531 20 7 0	140740 2091	140949
	2099	2096	2049	2100	2101	2103	142418 2104	2406	2108	2119

735.0	143261 2111	143473 2113	143 48 4 2114	143895 2116	144107 2117	148319 2119	144531 2121	144743 2122	146955 2124	145168 2126
736.0	145361 2127	145593 2129	145806 2131	146019 2132	146233 2134	146446 2135	146660 2137	146874 2139	147088 2140	147302 2142
737.0	147516 2144	147730 2145	147945 2147	148160	14 0 375 2150	148590 2152	148805	149021 2155	149236 2157	149452 2158
736.0	147648 2160	#689# <i>1</i> \$41\$	150100 2163	150317 2165	150533 2167	150750 2168	150967 2170	151184 2171	151401 2173	151618 2175
739.0	151636	152054	152272	152490	152708	152926	153145	153344	153582	15380 t
	2176	2178	2180	2181	2183	2185	2184	2188	2196	2191

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ELEV	CAP AREA . G	AREA .1	AREA 2	AREA 3	. 4	AREA .5	CAP AREA 46	AREA	CAP Area .8	CAP AREA .9
	154021	154240	154460	154679	154849	155119	155339	155540		156001
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742.0	158439 2226	158662 2227	156865 2229	159108 2231	159331	15 9 554 2254	159778 2236			5547 14044
743,0	160673	160897 2244	161122	161346 2247	161571 2249	161794 2250	162021	162247 2254	162472 2255	162698 2257
	162924 225 4	5260	5565	2264	2245	2267	2269	2270	2272	164963 2274
745+0	165190 2275	2277	165646 2278	165874 2280	166102 2202	0 E E & & 1 E & E & E & E & E & E & E & E	106559	146767	167016 2286	147245 2240
746,0	167474 2292	167703	167933 2295	168152	168392		166552		8305 169312	149543 2307
747.0	169774 2308	170005 2310	170236 2312	170467 2313	170698 2315	170930 2317	171162 2316	171394 2320	654171 15E5	1718 18 2323
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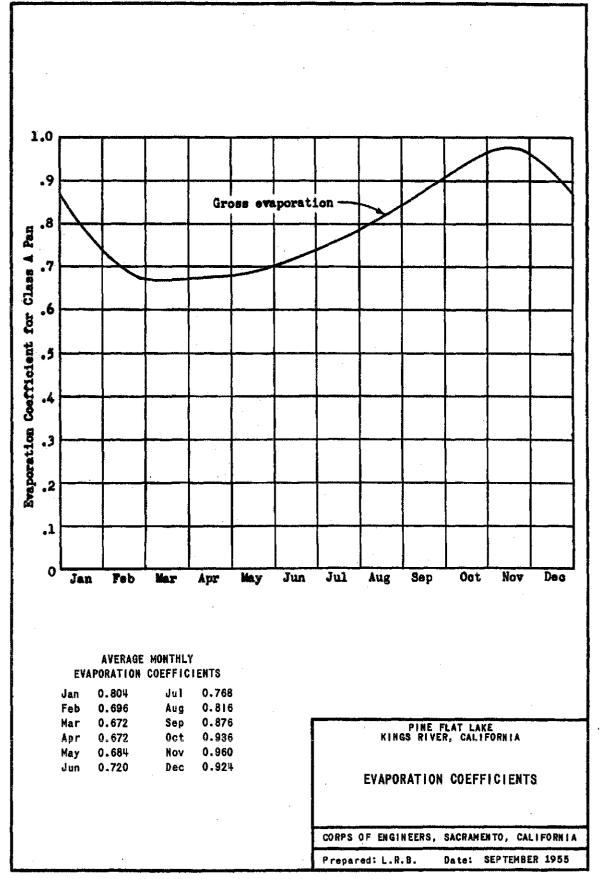
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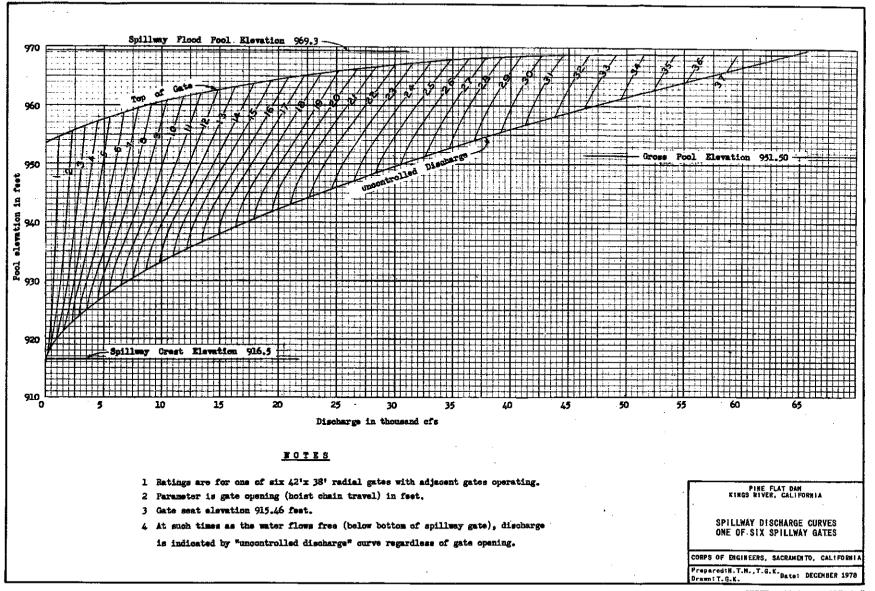
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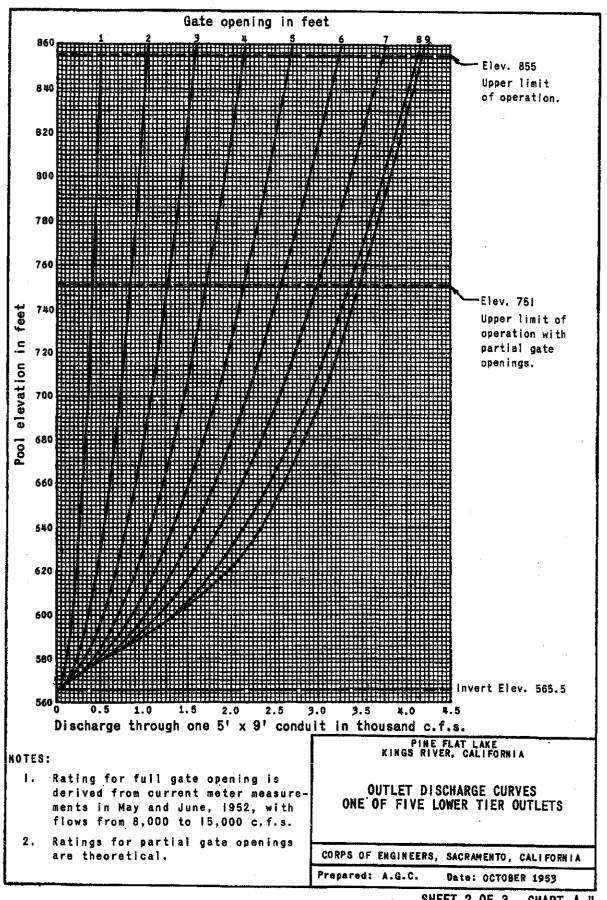
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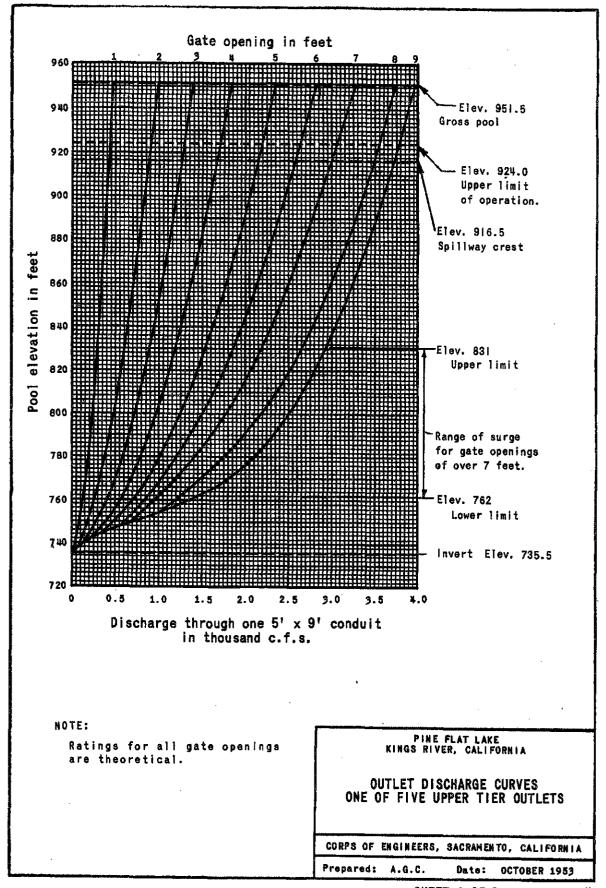
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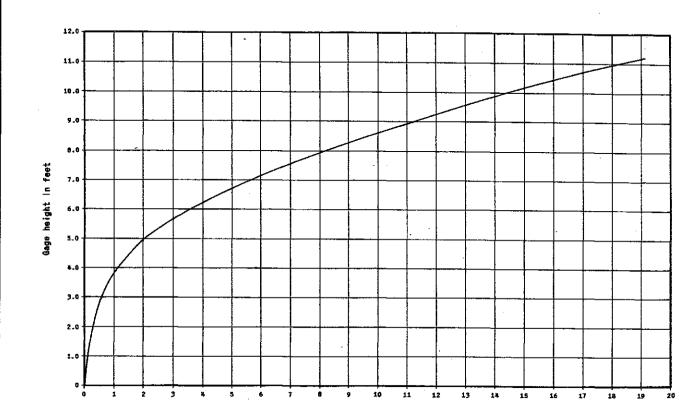
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NOTE

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DISCHARGE RATING CURVE

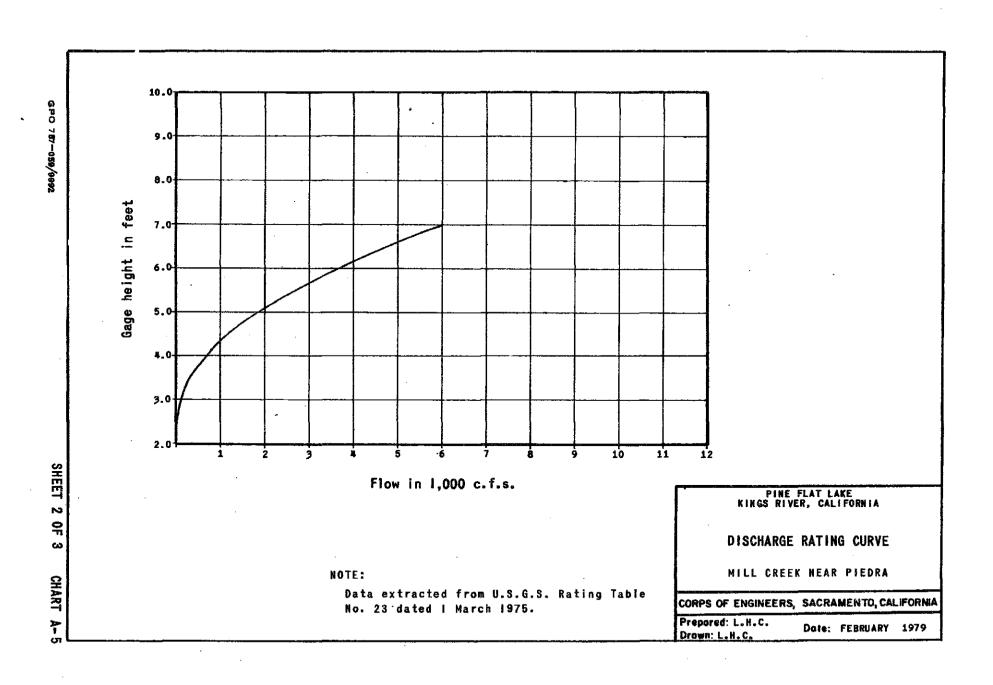
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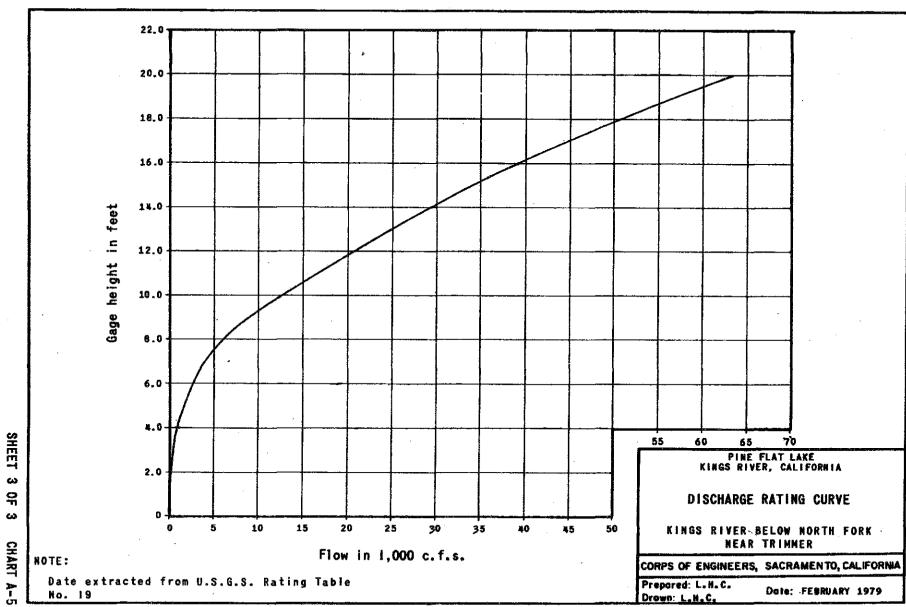
CORPS OF ENGINEERS, SACRAMENTO, CALIFORNIA

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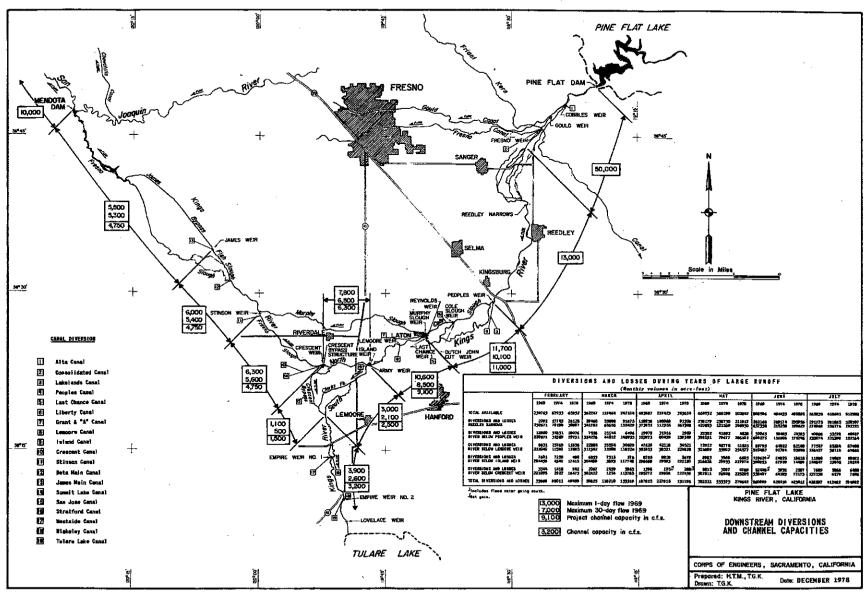
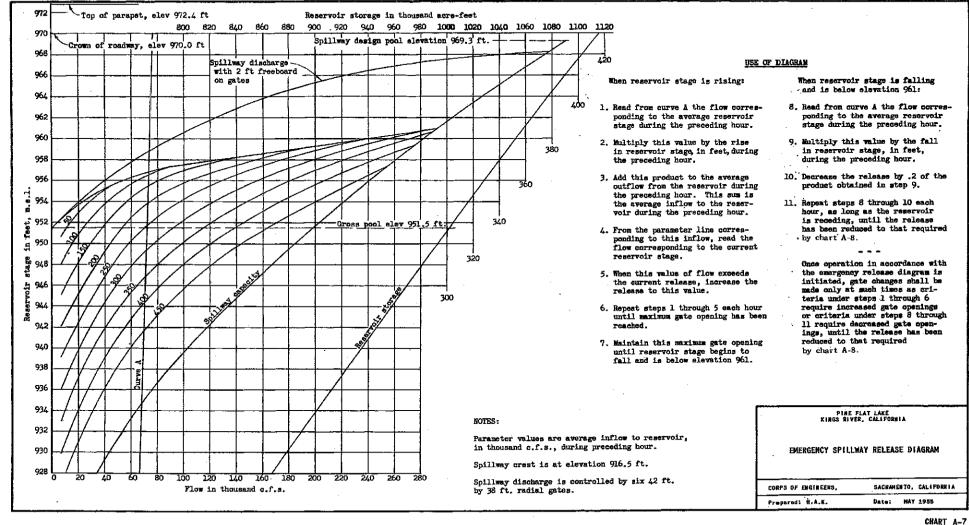
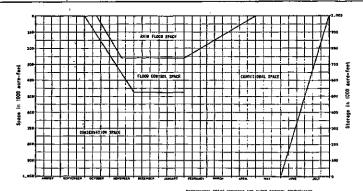


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#### USE OF BIAGRAM

- Then the storage level is in the range of Contervation Space, flood referred are not required.
- 2. Mater stored in Flood Control Space shall be released as rapidly as possible without accepting 4,750 m.f.s. below Greenant Meir or causin flood flows to Kinga Elver Stoath. The Flood Control Space shall be decreased by the opace available in Wishoe and Controlight Section 6. less 20,000 screwlest.
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- Restruct: releases will be determined by the instructions horses when larger releases are required by the favorancy Spillney behave Diagram (Charl 6-7).
- 2. The Corps of Engineers may direct flood releases to be incremed or decreased miss deviation from the computed release is warranted by salating conditions.
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  The Corps of Engineers say increase or decrease the 20,000 stre-foot adjustment to space transfersic from Wishow and Courtright reparations based on forecasted repost and reservoir operation.
- When the San Joaquin Biver before Mendata is at fload stage the released to Kings River North shall not be greater than pre-

#### CONTRACTORIZ SPACE PERMISEN FOR FLORIC CONTROL COMPUTATION

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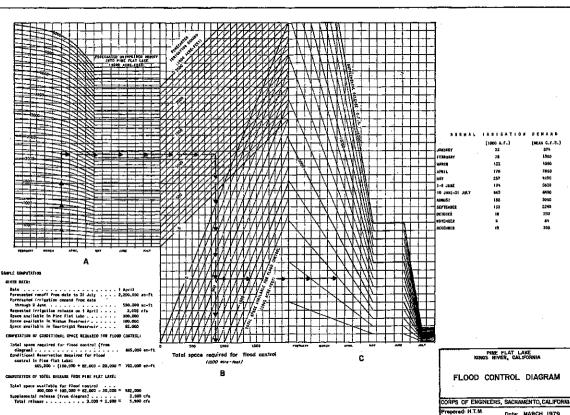
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Thrigation Demands shall be the amount of vator setermined by the Sings Elver Naturesster to satisfy diversion remainments, channel Bosses, spreading, sinking, and other case.

#### SIRGIEMPICE RETERE CAMPITETION

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  2. Moon vertically decreased from the forecasted irrigation Emmand to
  the 10tal Sauce Available for Flood Control on the given date
  shield is the total sauce available in Floo Floot Lake and Courtright
  and Mittode Receivers (less 20,000 acres-foot).
- Now horizontally from the fotal Space skellable for Flood Control to the noise directly shows the given date on margin "C" to obtain the Sopplemental Balesse (Laterpolate as required). The Sopplemental metal release must be solded to the irrigation demand to obtain the lotal statemen.



Date: MARCH 1979

CHART A-B

Drawn: L.H.C.

		Kings River	Licenses Summa	ıry			
Application Number	16469	10979	353	15231	360	5640	
Permit Number	15720	15716	15713	15719	15714	15715	
License Number, Dated May 18, 1984	11522	11520	11517	11521	11518	11519	
Priority Date of "Right"	July 18. 1955	Feb. 10, 1945	May 24, 1916	March 9, 1953	May 31, 1916	July 30, 1927	
The following are licensed items:							ما المراجع الم
Description	Courtright	Wishon	Tulare Lake Sump	Tulare Lake Sump	Pine Flat	Pine Flat	Totals
Maximum withdrawal af/yr	131,000 af	183,500 af					
Maximum amount held in storage in af	123,300 af	128,600 af			1,008,900 af	1,008,900 af	1,260,800 af
Maximum amount beneficially used by direct diversion	-		613 cfs	1,096 cfs	5,000 cfs	3,059 cfs	1/1 - 4/30 6,096 cfs
Diversion Season			June	Jan 1- Dec 31	Jan 1- Dec 31	May 1 - July 31	5/1 - 5/31 9,155 cfs
							6/1 - 6/30 9,768 cfs
							7/1 - 7/31 9,155 cfs
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Maximum amount by collection to storage	102,500 af	128,000 af	188,000 af	796,000 af	600,000 af	355,200 af	2,169,700 af
Collection period	Sept 1 - July 31	Jan 1 - Dec 31	Jan 1- June 30	Jan 1- June 30	Sept 1 - July 31	Sept 1 - July 31	en en lar autoliër i sar ar red ne, sal far var les autors an ne an red en salt ma ne de nar an in forer sa
Maximum amount taken from source per year			224,500 af	960,700 af	2,786,000 af	In 360	3,971,200 af
Maximum amount to be place to beneficial use per year	In 360	In 360	In 15231	569,600 af	<b>2,565,000</b> af	In 360	3,134,600 af
Place of Use	KRWA	KRWA	TLBWSD	TLBWSD	KRWA	KRWA	
Place of Storage	Courtwright	Wishon	Tulare Lake Sump i	n the following	Pine Flat	Pine Flat	e en aproxima ann ann ann ann ann ann ann ann ann a
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Points of Diversion	Courtwright	Wishon	Empire #2	Boundary of Lake	Pine Flat	Pine Flat	
Points of Diversion & Rediversion	60 points	60 points		Boundary of Lake	60 points	60 points	
Purpose	Irrigation including minimum flow requirement	Irrigation	Irrigation	Irrigation, Domestic, and Stockwatering	Irrigation Use	lnigation,	***************************************

DIRECT DIVERSION (cfs): Maximum monthly average of natural flow (includes water stored less than 30 days), but does not include water released from storage. COLLECTED TO STORAGE: Water delivered to storage for more than 30 days.

TAKEN FROM SOURCE: Water collected to storage plus direct diversions.

BENEFICIAL USE: Water taken from storage plus direct diversions.



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# Memorandum

To: Kings River Water Association, and

Consolidated Irrigation District, Fresno Irrigation District & Alta Irrigation District

From: Kevin R. Johansen, P.E.

Subject: SGMA Compliance Issues in Kings River Service Area

**Date:** May 28, 2019

This memorandum summarizes some of the groundwater issues being faced in the Kings River Service Area and the adverse impact the proposed Semitropic Water Storage District Tulare Lake Storage and Flood Protection Project (TLSFPP) and associated water rights application would have on the ability of the Kings River service area to comply with the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act (SGMA), which is a mandated State law.

#### Ability of the Kings River Service Area to comply with SGMA

The Kings River Service Area covers the majority of the Kings and Tulare Lake groundwater subbasins, along with a small portion of the Delta-Mendota subbasin. All of these groundwater subbasins have been designated by the Department of Water Resources (DWR) as critically overdrafted and high priority basins under SGMA. Designation as a high priority groundwater basin considers such criteria as total wells in the subbasin, irrigated acreage, reliance on groundwater, and impacts on groundwater, including overdraft and land subsidence. There are seven (7) Groundwater Sustainability Agencies (GSAs) in the Kings Subbasin, six (6) GSAs in the Tulare Lake subbasin and a portion of one GSA within the Delta-Mendota Subbasin as shown in Figure 1 and as described below, that are located within the Kings River Service Area or Place of Use. The primary goal of SGMA is to stabilize groundwater levels and achieve sustainability of groundwater resources into the future. Some groundwater recharge activities have occurred in the Kings River Service Area for many years, however, groundwater levels continue to decline and must be stabilized to comply with SGMA. In order to achieve SGMA compliance, each priority/overdrafted groundwater basin is required to become sustainable and avoid or mitigate undesirable results including lowering of groundwater levels, reduction of groundwater storage, degradation of water quality, and land subsidence. Some of these undesirable results are already occurring in portions of the Kings and Tulare Lake subbasins and must be addressed by each GSA.

SGMA requires all critically overdrafted and high priority groundwater subbasins to prepare Groundwater Sustainability Plans (GSPs) by January 2020 that identify how the GSAs within the subbasins plan to eliminate groundwater overdraft and achieve sustainability. SGMA allows a period of 20 years for a subbasin to become sustainable, meaning sustainability for the subbasins in the Kings River area must be achieved by 2040. The GSAs within the subbasins are currently in the process of developing their GSPs that will identify how the GSAs plan to

achieve sustainability through implementation of projects to develop additional water supply and/or management actions to reduce water demand. The GSAs are currently conceptualizing and developing additional projects and actions, such as groundwater recharge projects, to utilize additional Kings River high flow water that has historically been discharged out James Bypass. As additional projects are developed by the local GSAs, which are an integral part of achieving compliance with SGMA, another benefit in addition to groundwater recharge is that the projects will also help achieve floodwater protection for downstream communities.

Determining the current amount of annual groundwater overdraft in the Kings and Tulare Lake subbasins, the predominant subbasins in the Kings River Service Area, is still in progress and is dependent on the hydrologic period included in the analysis, but preliminary estimates of the current average annual groundwater overdraft is over 200,000 AF/year for these two subasins. In DWR Bulletin 118-80, Groundwater Basins in California, A Report to the Legislature in Response to Water Code Section 12924, DWR states: "Kings Basin: Overdraft in the basin was estimated at 289,000 cubic dekametres (234,000 acre-feet) annually in 1975 in the Mid-Valley Canal Areal Study" and "Tulare Lake Basin: In the Mid-Valley Canal Areal Study, overdraft for 1975 in the portion of the basin overlying usable ground water was estimated at 52,000 cubic dekametres (42,000 acre-feet) annually". This estimate by DWR in 1975 totals 276,000 acrefeet of annual overdraft in the Kings and Tulare Lake subbasins, indicating overdraft has been occurring in the region for many years. Groundwater recharge projects constructed in the Kings River Service Area since that time have captured additional high flow water when available for recharge and have reduced the amount of floodwater leaving the service area and reduced the annual groundwater overdraft, but the primary subbasins are still critically overdrafted. As part of GSP preparation, each of the GSAs will be determining the estimated volume of overdraft within their GSA boundary and final groundwater overdraft estimates will not be known until the GSPs are submitted in January 2020. However, preliminary estimates for the annual overdraft for the Kings subbasin is over 120,000 acre-feet per year (AF/yr), while the preliminary estimate of average annual overdraft in the Tulare Lake subbasin is approximately 100,000 AF/yr.

The Kings River is prone to highly variable annual runoff that directly relates to mountain precipitation and winter snowpack. The average annual runoff of the Kings River is approximately 1.7 million acre-feet, ranging from a high of 4,476,400 acre-feet in water year 1982-83 (265% of average) to a low of 361,000 acre-feet in water year 2014-15 (21% of average). The hydrology of the Kings River has produced flood years, on average, about once every three years. However, several flood years often occur in sequence, with significant below-average water years in between those high flow years. In very wet years, some water historically has not been able to be fully delivered and some floodwater has left the service area through the North Fork and James Bypass. Based on historic discharge records at James Bypass, the average annual amount of floodwater that was discharged through James Bypass during the period 1954-2018 (since the construction of Pine Flat Dam) was approximately 184,000 AF/year, well short of the amount required to mitigate the projected annual overdraft volumes in the Kings and Tulare Lake subbasins. To further compound the problem, this historical amount of excess floodwater would not be available today even if the hydrology repeated itself, as further explained later in this memo.

Intentional groundwater recharge activities began in the Kings River Service Area in the 1920's and acreage dedicated to recharge activities has steadily increased over time. However, development of groundwater recharge in the region has not progressed as fast as needed, as evident by the overdraft status of the area, but SGMA has now provided the impetus to develop

additional projects and the need to capture and utilize the full yield of the Kings River to help stabilize groundwater levels in the region. The GSAs within the Kings River Service Area are in the process of planning, and will need to construct, additional projects to capture all available Kings River water and eliminate any floodwater leaving the service area to comply with SGMA and mitigate undesirable results. In that regard, not only is all Kings River floodwater needed to address SGMA requirements within the Kings River area, but additional water supplies are needed to fully close the water resource supply gap. As such, not only is there no excess floodwater available for export, but additional water supplies and/or management actions are required for the Kings and Tulare Lake subbasins to achieve compliance with SGMA.

Reasonably foreseeable projects that are being developed or planned that would utilize Kings River floodwater within the area, including projects identified in the Kings Basin Integrated Regional Water Management Plan (IRWMP) and projects identified in a water rights application filed by Consolidated/Fresno/Alta (the Consolidated application) to appropriate additional floodwater, could utilize all the floodwater that historically has been discharged through James Bypass when fully constructed. Figure 2 indicates the location of many of the existing recharge basins in the area, as well as a sampling of project locations that GSAs and their member agencies are already developing or planning that will use additional Kings River water. In addition to those projects indicated in Figure 2, more projects are anticipated to be identified as the GSAs continue with preparation of the GSPs. The floodwater discharge out James Bypass is limited to 4,750 cubic feet per second (cfs) and historical flood releases have periodically reached this flowrate. Capturing all of this water will require the construction of a significant number of projects, with local entities in the area committed to doing so. The Consolidated water rights application identified projects within the Kings subbasin itself that would utilize approximately 3,600 cfs and additional projects for recharge and/or storage for direct use are being considered within the Tulare Lake subbasin area to utilize all remaining water. These projects are all planned to be constructed within the 20-year timeframe provided by SGMA to achieve sustainability.

If the TLSFPP is allowed to export Kings River water out of the area of origin, thereby precluding the GSAs in the Kings and Tulare Lake subbasins from capturing needed additional floodwater for groundwater recharge projects, then other management actions to reduce demand would be required, including significant land fallowing, which would have a tremendous negative impact on the agricultural economy and the economic engine of Fresno, Kings and Tulare counties. Besides the economic impact that would be caused by land fallowing, there would be environmental and quality of life impacts such as increased noxious weed production and potential air quality impacts from blowing dust as a result of significant land fallowing.

If the proposed Semitropic Water Storage District application to appropriate Kings River water was approved and the TLSFPP were constructed, there would also be a reduction in channel seepage in the North Fork of the Kings River, further exacerbating the overdraft condition. The TLSFPP Draft Environmental Impact Report (August 2017) states: "Reductions in seepage from the James Bypass to the regional groundwater basin are expected to occur during periods of flood flows in the James Bypass. Utilizing historic data and analyses of California Central Valley Groundwater-Surface Water Simulation Model (C2VSim) results, seepage losses in the James Bypass between the Kings River and the San Joaquin River are estimated to be approximately 30 percent. The resulting reduction in seepage in the James Bypass ranges up to approximately 42,000 AF in years when water is diverted to the proposed Project". The data used for the

analysis, along with the assumptions made using the C2VSim Model, are unknown and would need to be reviewed to determine if these seepage impacts are in fact reasonable as presented. However, using the estimated reduction of seepage losses purported in the DEIR of 42,000 AF when floodwater occurs would equate to about 5,700 acres of highly productive cropland that would have to be fallowed to ensure sustainability under SGMA requirements, due to the loss of recharge and resultant ability to pump groundwater each year, using typical crop water requirements. This is noteworthy, as any reduction in recharge/seepage is significant for a critically overdrafted basin. The reduction of flows in the North Fork and resultant seepage reduction will in fact deplete groundwater supplies in an already critically overdrafted groundwater basin and isn't an insignificant impact as claimed in the DEIR.

#### Subbasin and Groundwater Sustainability Agency descriptions

#### Kings Groundwater Subbasin

The Kings Groundwater Subbasin (Kings Basin) is a large groundwater Subbasin located within the southern part of the San Joaquin Valley Groundwater Basin, in the Central Valley of California. The Kings Basin boundary is defined in the Department of Water Resources (DWR) Bulletin 118 as DWR Basin No. 5-22.08. The Basin covers approximately 981,000 acres and is a conjunctive use area, where groundwater supplies supplement the available annual surface water supplies. The Kings Subbasin is comprised of the following seven (7) GSAs:

#### Central Kings GSA

The Central Kings GSA includes the Consolidated Irrigation District, the City of Selma, the Caruthers Community Services District and non-districted land in the County of Fresno, the County of Kings, and the County of Tulare. The area of the Central Kings GSA is approximately 151,000 acres and is predominantly agricultural. The City of Selma, Caruthers and other rural communities in the GSA are solely dependent on groundwater to meet domestic water demands and are considered Disadvantaged Communities. Agencies in the Central Kings GSA have Kings River surface water supplies that average more than 240,000 acre-feet per year.

#### James Irrigation District GSA

The James Irrigation District Groundwater Sustainability Agency (James GSA) is comprised of James Irrigation District (James ID) and Reclamation District 1606 (RD 1606). James ID and RD 1606 entered into a Memorandum of Understanding in December 2015 to form and manage the James GSA. The area of the James GSA is approximately 29,000 acres. The James GSA is mostly agricultural but includes the City of San Joaquin, which is a Severely Disadvantaged Community. The James ID and RD 1606 have various USBR Central Valley Project (CVP) surface water contracts totaling 45,570 acre-feet per year and Kings River water right entitlements which vary depending on water year type but average 18,000 acrefeet per year over the long-term.

# Kings River East GSA

On September 16, 2016, the Kings River East Groundwater Sustainability Agency (KREGSA) was created through California special legislation (SB 37 Vidak). The KREGSA is comprised of a number of local agencies that entered into a Memorandum of Understanding in March 2016, including: City of Dinuba, City of Reedley, City of Orange Cove, Alta Irrigation District, Orange Cove Irrigation District, Hills Valley Irrigation District, Tri-Valley Water District, Kings River Water District, Orosi Public Utility District, Cutler Public Utility District, London Community Services District, East Orosi Community Services District,

Sultana Community Services District, the County of Tulare, and the County of Fresno covering non-districted land. Cities and communities within the Kings River East GSA are all considered Disadvantaged Communities or Severely Disadvantaged Communities. The area of the KREGSA is approximately 192,000 acres. Surface water supplies in the GSA include Kings River and CVP water from the Friant Kern Canal that together average more than 236,000 acre-feet per year.

#### McMullin Area GSA

The McMullin Area Groundwater Sustainability Agency (MAGSA) was formed as a Joint Powers Authority comprised of the County of Fresno, the Raisin City Water District and the Mid-Valley Water District. The MAGSA area is located within Fresno County and covers approximately 120,000 acres. MAGSA is largely agricultural but does include Raisin City and several small rural communities, which are considered Severely Disadvantaged Communities. The McMullin Area has no regular surface water supplies.

#### North Fork Kings GSA

On September 16, 2016, the North Fork Kings Groundwater Sustainability Agency (NFKGSA) was created through California special act legislation (SB 564 Canella). The GSA includes the following agencies: Clarks Fork Reclamation District, Laguna Irrigation District, Upper San Jose Water Company, Laton Community Services District, Riverdale Public Utility District, Lanare Community Services District, Crescent Canal Company, Stinson Canal & Irrigation Company, Riverdale Irrigation District, Reed Ditch Company, Liberty Mill Race Company, Burrel Ditch Company, Liberty Water District, Liberty Canal Company and the County of Fresno covering non-districted lands. Cities and communities within the North Fork Kings GSA are all considered Disadvantaged Communities or Severely Disadvantaged Communities. The area of the NFKGSA is approximately 168,000 acres. The GSA includes several rural communities with domestic demands met solely by groundwater. The rest of the area is agricultural. Surface water supplies from the Kings River average approximately 140,000 acre-feet per year.

#### North Kings GSA

The North Kings Groundwater Sustainability Agency (NKGSA) is a Joint Powers Authority formed in December 2016 through adoption of a Joint Powers Agreement by the following public agencies: Fresno Irrigation District, County of Fresno, City of Fresno, City of Clovis, City of Kerman, Biola Community Services District, Garfield Water District, and International Water District. Following adoption, these founding members approved membership of Bakman Water Company and the Fresno Metropolitan Flood Control District through separate binding agreements. The cities of Fresno and Kerman are both considered Disadvantaged Communities, while the community of Biola is considered a Severely Disadvantaged Community. The area of the NKGSA is approximately 312,000 acres. Domestic demands for the metropolitan area in the cities of Fresno and Clovis are met by a mix of treated surface water and groundwater supplies. Neighboring communities, as well as the City of Kerman, meet domestic demands using groundwater. The remaining agricultural area is conjunctive use. Surface water supplies are from the Kings River and USBR CVP Friant Kern Canal and average more than 540,000 acre-feet per year.

#### South Kings GSA

The South Kings GSA is a Joint Powers Authority formed in May 2017 that is comprised of the Cities of Fowler, Kingsburg, Parlier, and Sanger. The Del Rey Community Services District joined through a Memorandum of Understanding with the GSA. The cities of Fowler

and Sanger are both considered Disadvantaged Communities, while the city of Parlier and the community of Del Rey are both considered Severely Disadvantaged Communities. The South Kings GSA is approximately 9,800 acres and is nearly exclusively urban. The South Kings GSA has no surface water supply. Water demands are met solely with groundwater.

### **Tulare Lake Subbasin**

The Tulare Lake Subbasin (Tulare Lake) is also a large groundwater Subbasin located within the southern part of the San Joaquin Valley Groundwater Basin, just south of the Kings subbasin. The Tulare Lake subbasin is located in the eastern part of Kings County with State Route 41 being the western border. The Tulare Lake Basin boundary is defined in the Department of Water Resources (DWR) Bulletin 118 as DWR Basin No. 5-22.12. The Basin covers approximately 536,000 acres and the northern and eastern portion of the subbasin is a conjunctive use area, where groundwater supplies supplement the available annual surface water supplies. The historic Tulare Lake area and the southwestern portion of the subbasin do not have usable groundwater supplies. The Tulare Lake Subbasin is comprised of the following six (6) Groundwater Sustainability Agencies (GSA):

#### Mid-Kings GSA

The Mid Kings GSA covers an area of approximately 97,400 acres located in the northern part of the Tulare Lake Subbasin. The public and private agencies within the Mid Kings GSA are Kings County Water District, City of Hanford, County of Kings, Peoples Ditch Company, Last Chance Water Company, Settlers Ditch Company, and the New Deal Water Company.

### South Fork Kings GSA

The South Fork Kings GSA covers an area of approximately 71,300 acres located in the north-western part of the Tulare Lake Subbasin. The public and private agencies within the South Fork Kings GSA are the City of Lemoore, County of Kings, Empire Westside Irrigation District, Stratford Irrigation District, Stratford Public Utility District, Liberty Canal Company, Stratford Irrigation District, Empire Westside Irrigation District, Lemoore Canal and Irrigation Company, John Heinlen Mutual Water Company, Jacob Rancho Water Company and a portion of the Tulare Lake Basin Water Storage District. Stratford is considered a Disadvantaged Community.

#### Southwest Kings GSA

The Southwest Kings GSA covers an area of approximately 89,900 acres located in the Western part of the Tulare Lake Subbasin. The public and private agencies within the Southwest Kings GSA are the Dudley Ridge Water District, Tulare Lake Reclamation District No. 761, Kettleman City Community Services District, Tulare Lake Basin Water Storage District, and Tulare Lake Canal Company. Kettleman City is considered a Disadvantaged Community.

### Tri County Water Authority GSA

The Tri County Water Authority GSA is located in both the Tulare Lake Subbasin and the Tule Subbasin, with approximately 48,120 acres within the Tulare Lake Subbasin. The Tri County Water Authority GSA is located in the south-eastern portion of the subbasin. The public agency within the GSA in the Tulare Lake Subbasin is Angiola Water District.

#### El Rico GSA

The El Rico GSA covers an area of approximately 228,400 acres located in the center of the Tulare Lake Subbasin. The public and private agencies within the El Rico GSA are Melga Water District, Lovelace Reclamation District, Salyer Water District, Corcoran Irrigation District, Tulare Lake Drainage District and a portion of the Tulare Lake Basin Water Storage District.

#### Alpaugh Irrigation District GSA

The Alpaugh Irrigation District GSA covers an area of approximately 940 acres located on the south-eastern edge of the Tulare Lake Subbasin. The Alpaugh Irrigation District GSA may be annexed into the El Rico GSA. Alpaugh Irrigation District is the only agency in the Alpaugh Irrigation District GSA.

#### **Delta-Mendota Subbasin**

The Delta-Mendota Subbasin (Delta-Mendota) is a large groundwater Subbasin located within the westerly part of the San Joaquin Valley Groundwater Basin, west and northwest of the Kings subbasin. The Delta-Mendota subbasin is located in Stanislaus, Merced, Madera, and Fresno Counties. The Delta-Mendota Basin boundary is defined in the Department of Water Resources (DWR) Bulletin 118 as DWR Basin No. 5-22.07. The Basin covers approximately 747,000 acres. The Delta-Mendota Subbasin is comprised of multiple Groundwater Sustainability Agencies (GSA). A portion of one GSA within the Delta-Mendota Subbasin, the Tranquillity Irrigation District, is located within the Kings River Service Area.

## Central Delta-Mendota Multi-Agency GSA

The Central Delta-Mendota Multi-Agency GSA covers an area of approximately 165,761 acres located in the southwesterly and southerly part of the Delta-Mendota Subbasin and was formed in February 2017. The only portion of the Central Delta-Mendota Multi-Agency GSA that is within the Kings River Service Area is the Tranquillity Irrigation District (TID). TID comprises approximately 10,750 acres or less than seven percent of the GSA. TID is within the Kings River Service Area and is the most downstream Kings River Member Unit on the North Fork of the Kings River. TID has various USBR CVP surface water contracts and Kings River water right entitlements which vary depending on the water year type. TID does not have groundwater recharge facilities, though they have a regulating reservoir that can accept diversions and will use Kings River high flows in-lieu of groundwater pumping.

# Impacts the TLSFPP would have on communities in the groundwater subbasins within the Kings River Service Area

If the TLSFPP captures and exports Kings River floodwater that would have been used by the GSAs within the subbasins in the Kings River Service Area to stabilize groundwater levels, it will have a direct impact on the communities within the subbasins. As shown in **Figure 3** and listed in **Table 1** below, there are 16 Disadvantaged Communities (DACs) and 25 Severely Disadvantaged Communities (SDACs), as defined by DWR based on US census cities or designated places, within the groundwater subbasins in the Kings River Service Area, the vast majority of which rely solely on groundwater. The City of Fresno is the only community on this list that uses some surface water to supplement groundwater use. In addition, there are numerous residential and ranchette properties within the Kings River Service Area that rely solely on groundwater that will be directly impacted by the inability of the GSAs to comply with SGMA if floodwater is allowed to be exported out of the service area. If the TLSFPP is allowed to export Kings River water out of the area of origin it will have negative consequences on both

the quantity and quality of drinking water for the vast majority of residents in the service area from declining groundwater levels and the lack of water needed for additional recharge.

Table 1

DACs and SDACs within Groundwater Subbasins in Kings River Service Area per DWR

NAME         2014         WHI 2014         Type         Subbasin           Biola CDP         1,017         227         26,750         SDAC         Kings           Bowles CDP         182         39         31,250         SDAC         Kings           Calwa CDP         1,330         330         18,625         SDAC         Kings           Caruthers CDP         3,338         754         44,375         DAC         Kings           Cutler CDP         4,224         996         18,346         SDAC         Kings           Del Rey CDP         1,489         374         31,222         SDAC         Kings           Delft Colony CDP         164         63         8,456         SDAC         Kings           Delft Colony CDP         164         63         8,456         SDAC         Kings           Delft Colony CDP         164         63         8,509         DAC         Kings           Delft Colony CDP         164         63         38,509         DAC         Kings           East Orosi CDP         321         70         29,000         SDAC         Kings           Fowler city         5,908         1,696         47,731         DAC
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In addition to the DWR information on DACs in Table 1, a detailed DAC study entitled "Disadvantaged Community Water Study for the Tulare Lake Basin", was prepared in 2014 that further identifies large and small community water systems serving DACs and SDACs in the Tulare Lake Basin, which covers the Kings and Tulare Lake groundwater subbasins. The DACs and SDACs identified in this study represent over two-thirds of the population within the Kings and Tulare Lake groundwater subbasins.

# Majority of floodwater that historically left the Kings River Service Area would now be used in the service area

Since the construction of Pine Flat Dam that regulates water on the Kings River, floodwater has been discharged out of the Kings River Service Area through the James Bypass on average about once every three (3) years as previously mentioned. A portion of this water reaching the Mendota Pool is utilized by KRWA member units Tranquillity Irrigation District and James Irrigation District, but the majority is discharged out of the service area. However, this historical amount of floodwater leaving the service area would not be available today if the hydrology repeated itself because water demands have increased within the Kings River service area when high flow water is typically available, and the Kings River water rights holders have constructed numerous groundwater recharge projects that capture high flow water now that previously was not able to be utilized. In addition, the GSAs within the Kings and Tulare Lake Subbasins are currently developing additional recharge projects as mentioned above that will capture more high flow water in the future.

As shown in **Figure 4** below, the amount of Kings River water being maintained within the Service Area has been increasing and this trend is expected to continue as additional projects are developed. Figure 4 indicates the total amount of "Kings River for Irrigation" (KRI), which is an indication of actual measured releases into the river, and breaks the river releases each year into two components – discharges out James Bypass and the remainder being maintained within the Kings River Service Area. Items to note in Figure 4 about recent high flow water years on the Kings River include:

- the releases in WY 2010-11 were larger than in WY 2005-06, but less floodwater was discharged out James Bypass and more water was used within the Kings River Service Area,
- KRI was significantly larger in WY 2016-17 than most of the previous years and the amount used in the service area was also significantly more than prior years,
- the amount of water used within the Kings River Service Area in WY 2016-17
  (approximately 2.9 million acre-feet) would essentially eliminate the historical James
  Bypass discharges in nearly all prior years except extraordinarily wet years like WY
  1968-69 and 1982-83.

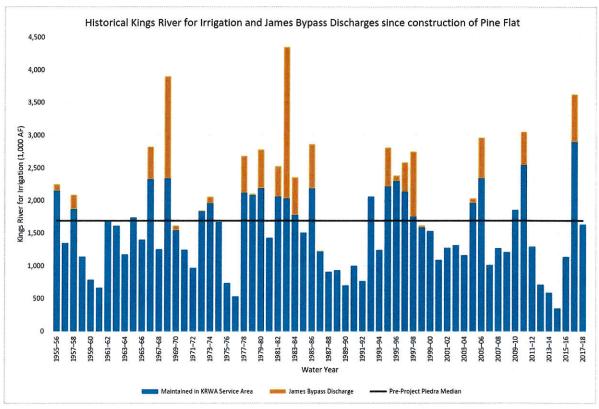
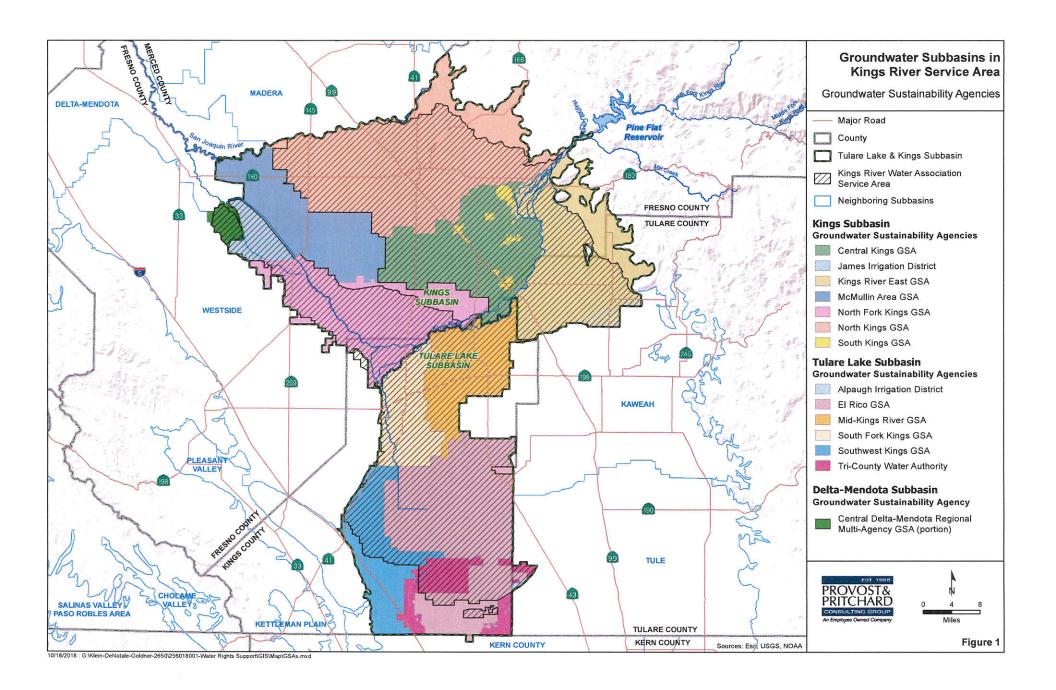
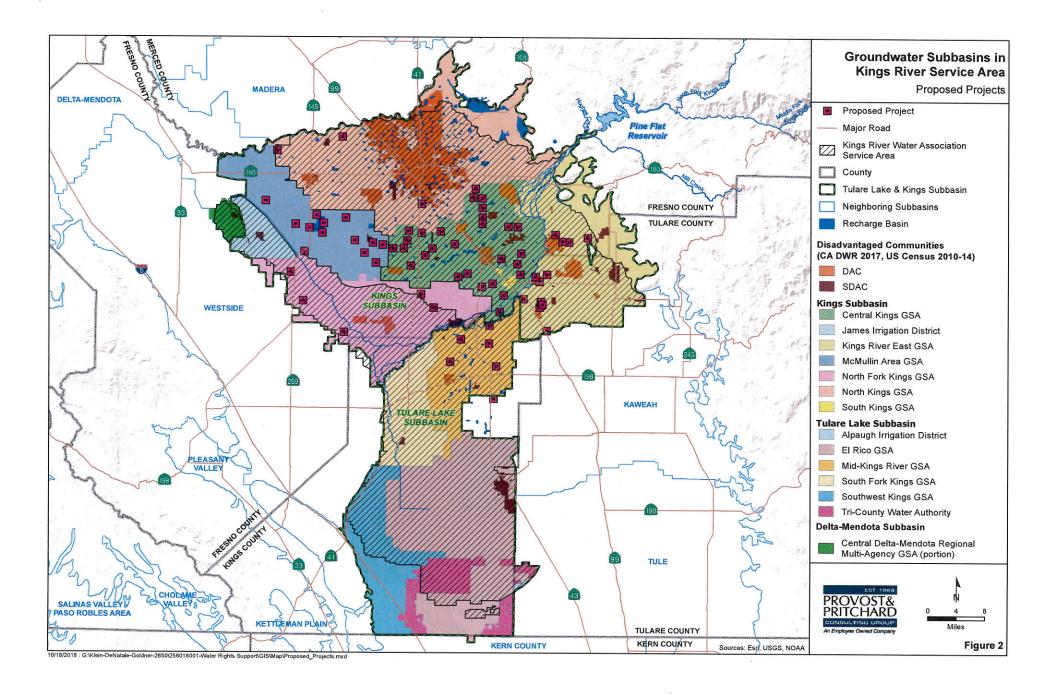


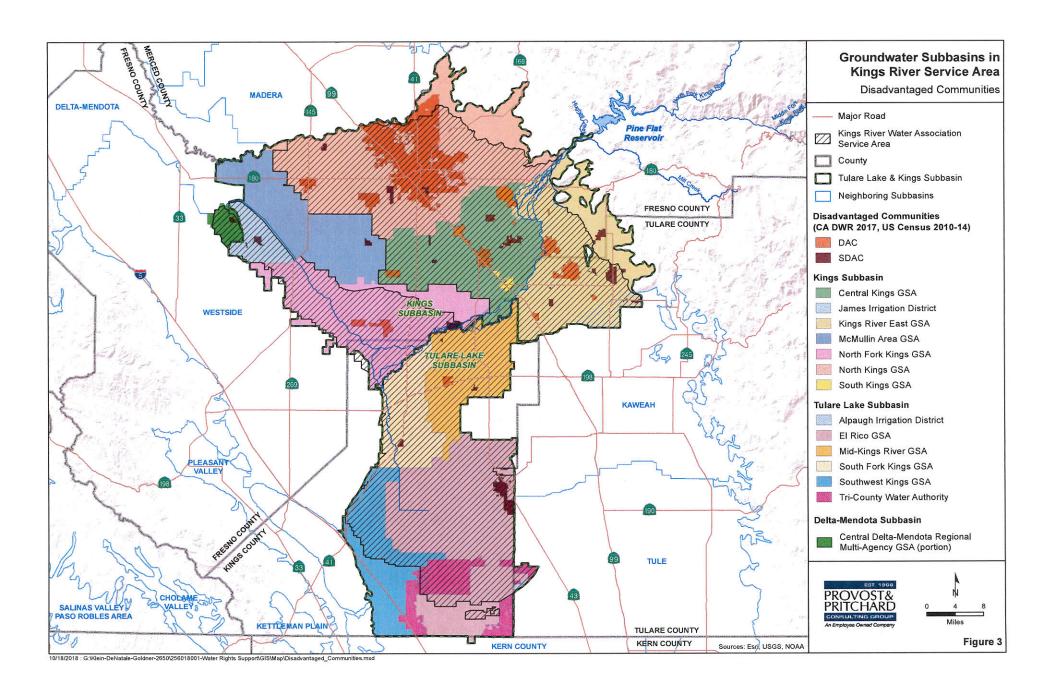
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#### Summary

In summary, there is very little, if any, floodwater available for export to Kern County because the water is already being used, or plans are being developed to use the water, by the GSAs within the Kings River area as projects are developed over the next 20-years to comply with SGMA. If the TLSFPP is allowed to export Kings River water from critically overdrafted subbasins, it will be impossible for the GSAs within the Kings and Tulare Lake subbasins to comply with SGMA and the impacts to those living and working in Fresno, Kings and Tulare Counties will be severe.







## Attachment 4 - Purpose of Use, Diversion/Storage Amount and Season

This application is to appropriate floodwater leaving the Kings River service area that may be in excess of the current Kings River licenses held by the Kings River Water Association. Runoff on the Kings River is highly variable, ranging from a high of 4,476,300 AF (266.7%) in 1982-83 to a low of 361,000 AF (21.5% of average) in 2014-15. Floodwater is not typically available until the water year hydrology is 150% or more above average, except in years that follow a very wet year (i.e., 1998-99 following 1997-98). The water year on the Kings River is defined as October through September. Since the construction of Pine Flat Dam (completed in 1954), the hydrology of the Kings River has produced flood years on average about once every three years. However, several flood years often occur in sequence, with significant below average water years in between flood years. The season of availability of floodwater on the Kings River is also highly variable, but typically occurs during the months of February through June, although historically floodwater has occurred every month of the year in very large water years like 1982-83. When floodwater is discharged out James Bypass and into the Mendota Pool where the water meets with the San Joaquin River, the typical duration is a little over 100 days on average and the discharge flowrate can approach and occasionally exceed 5,000 cfs.

This application is to appropriate 4,500 cfs of floodwater, some of which is already licensed under the existing KRWA licenses on the Kings River but, for a variety of reasons, was not previously able to be put to beneficial use. The majority of this water will be used for groundwater recharge and underground storage, with some water being used for direct deliveries. It is anticipated that direct deliveries could use up to 500,000 AF in some years, and up to 1,000,000 AF could be put to underground storage in other years. Some water will be used in existing recharge facilities, but the majority of the water will be used in new recharge facilities or direct use achieving in-lieu recharge. The Underground Storage Supplement that accompanies this application includes a map that indicates the location of existing and proposed projects. A list of the currently planned and proposed projects that will utilize the water appropriated by this application is shown below:

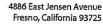
Table 4-1 Planned and Proposed Projects

Project Name	Type of Project	Estimated Arsa (Acres)	Estimated Percolation Rate (ft/day)	Calculated Volume (AF/day)	Celculated Flowrate (cfe)
CID in-District Recharge Projects	Groundwater Recharge	2,000	1.00	2,000	1,000
CID Little Texas Area Recharge Project	Groundwater Recharge	500	1.00	500	250

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rojects	Recharge	1,000	0.50	500	
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rojects	Groundwater			300	250
	Giodilawatei				
ID Recharge Site 11	Recharge	70	1.00	70	35
lorth Fork Kings GSA	Groundwater				
Ikhorn Property	Recharge	40	1.00	40	20
erranova On-Farm Flood	Groundwater				
apture and McMullin	Recharge / In-				
lecharge Site	Lieu Recharge	4,000	0.25	1,000	500
	Groundwater				
ID Distributed Recharge,	Recharge / In-				
ypass and Lassen Projects	Lleu Recharge	800	0.50	400	200
RCD Coehlo and Gragnani	Groundwater				
Vetlands Recharge	Recharge	1,200	0.25	300	150
WD Crescent Canal	In-Lieu				
roject	Recharge				200
,	In-Lieu**				
WWD Lat 6/7 Project	Recharge		-		170
WD Lower DMC	In-Lieu				
rumpback Project	Recharge				500
unipodok i tojout			Total =	7,260	4,500

Additional projects may be identified as the applicants and the Groundwater Sustainability Agencies in the area develop projects to comply with SGMA.

**EXHIBIT F** 



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May 29, 2019

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

Re:

(1) Petition to Revise Declaration of Fully Appropriated Streams (Kings River); (2) Application A032815 to Appropriate Water from the Kings River in Multiple Counties; and (3) Complaint in Support of Petition to Revise and/or Revoke or Request to Notice hearing (Kings River) MSM:A032815

Dear Mr. Moody:

The Kings River Conservation District (KRCD) is writing to express our concerns regarding Semitropic Water Storage District's (Semitropic) above mentioned applications. As a public agency, one of KRCD's key functions is providing flood control for portions of Fresno, Tulare, and Kings Counties. This service is provided to numerous unincorporated areas and more than 100 Disadvantaged Communities (DAC). KRCD also assists its constituency, and other agencies within its service area, with reaching their water use and water quality obligations under the Irrigated Lands Regulatory Program (ILRP), Central Valley Salinity Alternatives for Long-Term Sustainability (CV-SALTS), Sustainable Groundwater Management Act (SGMA), and other related water use and water quality objectives. KRCD's website is www.krcd.org.

It is KRCD's position that Semitropic's proposed Tulare Lake Storage and Floodwater Protection Project (Project) and associated groundwater bank have not received sufficient scientific or environmental analysis and review by Semitropic, and that the potential environmental and economic impacts on KRCD's constituency and supported agencies – including the increased capital, replacement, maintenance, and operational cost burdens the Project would place upon the Kings River Watershed – have not been delineated or mitigated by the Project plan.

Furthermore, removing surface waters from the Kings River service area, and diverting water to the south that normally flows north, would exacerbate groundwater quality, land subsidence, groundwater depletion/over-draft, and interconnected surface waters issues and concerns in a SGMA management area designated as "high" priority by the Department of Water Resources (DWR). These water resource impacts will require mitigation, which would include mitigating for the volume of reduced ground water recharge as a result of the reduced flows in the Kings River North Fork and associated subsidence impacts, and mitigating for the volume of increased seepage and evaporation as a result of increased flows in the South Fork, Crescent Bypass, and Clark's Fork. Mitigating said impacts also applies to related water quality issues and concerns which Kings River Watershed constituents are working to address under the auspices of the current ILRP and developing CV-SALTS program.

In addition to the above concerns, it is important to mention the critical matter of the Kings River's channel capacity. In a related Proposition 1 funding effort, Semitropic included a DWR response as part of their requested funding appeal package. DWR staff indicated that Semitropic provided sufficient information – using 2017 Kings River flow data and additional hydrologic data from the DWR Central Valley Hydrology Study (CVHS) – to support Semitropic's claims that sufficient channel capacity exists in the Kings River, both downstream and south of the Army Weir, and in the Clark's Fork and Crescent Bypass. However, it is evident from historical observed and metered Kings River channel flows that the modeling data used in the CVHS study is of insufficient accuracy for determining if there is adequate operational capacity to meet Project needs. Actual channel conditions in 2017 indicated a lack of capacity – relative to Project requirements – in various reaches of the Kings River. An analysis which more accurately assesses actual and specific channel hydraulic characteristics, capacities, losses, and delivery requirements is necessary for making a determination that there is sufficient channel capacity.

A complete review and analysis of capacity would include the channel section from the diversion point at Army Weir through the Kings River South Fork, as well as from the release point of Pine Flat Dam to the Army Weir diversion point and the Kings River North Fork. An analysis of the Kings River North Fork is required due to a lack of proper and appropriate safety features being included in the design; this is expanded upon below. Without this required, detailed hydraulic review, analysis, and associated mitigation to ensure channel capacities requirements are addressed, rerouting water in the manner described by Semitropic would have significant negative impacts.

Semitropic's lack of due diligence regarding determining actual channel capacities and flooding risk was evident during a December 13, 2017 California Water Commission (CWC) meeting, when Semitropic General Manager Jason Gianquinto noted, after KRCD reiterated concerns with Kings River capacities and associated flooding risk, that "our Project, at the ultimate size, is 2,100 c.f.s. [CEQA documents indicate 2,200 c.f.s.]; less than half of the peak flow. Our likely Project is probably something less given what we learned regarding the South Fork capacity." Mr. Gianquinto's statement is a clear indication that Semitropic does not have a substantive understanding of capacity constraints, delivery service requirements, flooding risk, potential environmental impacts, system losses, the required mitigation to ensure and maintain existing delivery capacity in addition to their desired capacities, or an intent to mitigate these impacts and constraints; despite the fact that these concerns were communicated to Semitropic on a number of occasions. This lack of substantive understanding is delineated in the paragraphs below.

As pertains to the above concerns and regarding specific channel capacities, Semitropic assumes the Crescent Bypass channel section can sustain a capacity of 1,500 c.f.s.; Clarks Fork 2,500 c.f.s.; and the South Fork 3,200 c.f.s. These flow rates are based upon U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) capacity data from the 1970s and do not reflect existing conditions. During June 2017 flood releases, the South Fork channel section's right bank levee breached one mile below the confluence of the Crescent Bypass and Clarks Fork channel sections. The flow rate at that time was approximately 1,400 c.f.s. This is 800 c.f.s. less than Semitropic's desired flow rate of 2,200 c.f.s. at Empire Weir No. 2 and 1,800 c.f.s. less than Semitropic's assumed South Fork Capacity of 3,200 c.f.s. Furthermore, the Crescent Bypass channel section's capacity during June 2017 flood releases was limited to less than 200 c.f.s., which is 1,300 c.f.s. less than Semitropic's assumed capacity of 1,500 c.f.s. Moreover, Mr. Gianqinto's assumptions do not consider or include additional flow increments to account for losses such as seepage, evaporation, and diversions upstream of the Project diversion point at Empire Weir No. 2. At the location of the

levee breach there was significant channel seepage and little to no levee freeboard, which from a safety standpoint would have reduced the actual capacity well below the previously noted 1,400 c.f.s. It is important to reiterate that these figures do not account for additional flow to address an increase in losses along the entire reach of the Kings River, nor losses in other channels proposed to supply waters to the Project.

Please bear in mind that, during the 2017 flood releases, the entire capacity of these channels was used for water delivery, with no excess capacity remaining. Thus, there was no capacity remaining or available to deliver any water to the Project. Under similar conditions, Semitropic would need to ensure the entire Kings River system has adequate additional capacity to accept and transport their desired 2,200 c.f.s. from Pine Flat Dam through the terminus of the Kings River South Fork/Empire Weir No. 2 diversion point. To ensure 2,200 c.f.s. can be delivered to the diversion point, the entire Kings River channel and levee system would need to be reviewed and analyzed. The review would require ensuring sufficient capacity to address both constituents' Kings Watershed needs, which would require an assessment of deliveries, seepage, evaporation, and flood water diversions, and Semitropic's request, which would require an assessment of additional seepage and evaporation associated with that request. Thus, to ensure 2.200 c.f.s, can be delivered to the Project, it is anticipated that Semitropic would need to increase the capacity of the Kings River South Fork by at least 2,275 c.f.s., increase the capacity of the Clark's Fork and Crescent Bypass by a total of at least 2,300 c.f.s., and increase the capacity of the Kings River upstream of Army Weir by at least 3,000 c.f.s. to account for their desired flow and additional seepage and evaporation losses. Similarly, whatever capacity is desired by Semitropic through the Crescent Bypass would require a similar approach to accommodate that flow along with seepage and evaporation losses for the Kings River between Army Weir and the Crescent Bypass.

Furthermore, a similar analysis is required for the Kings River North Fork, to ensure that section of the Kings River will have excess capacity to accept Project water as a result of unanticipated events. In that regard, if water intended for the Project were to be released from Pine Flat Dam, but the Project could not accept that water due to unanticipated events – such as a pumping system failure – countermeasures would need to be in place to transport and re-divert that flow. All flows released from Pine Flat dam, intended to be delivered through Army Weir, but not yet diverted, would need to be re-diverted to the Kings River North Fork. The diverted flows would require additional North Fork capacity of between 2,300 c.f.s. and 3,000 c.f.s. to mitigate for such an event. This mitigation does not address water in transit that has been diverted south through Army Weir and the Crescent bypass. A safety/spill/storage feature must be added to the Project plan to address this concern.

Ensuring increased capacity within the Kings River South Fork does not guarantee sufficient water can be delivered upstream of Army Weir, nor that it will be released by the Army Corps of Engineers. The same is true of the Kings River North Fork. This further emphasizes the critical need for a thorough and proper hydraulic review and analysis. If limitations are determined upstream, Semitropic would either have to reduce anticipated flows – even if there is sufficient capacity in the Kings River South Fork – or fund capacity improvements in said upstream channel sections, the Kings River North Fork, and all associated levees.

A complete and comprehensive review would require the aforementioned detailed analysis, as well as analyzing corresponding design costs, capital outlays, operations costs, yearly maintenance costs to maintain the needed capacity, ongoing yearly surveys, and potential power consumption. Yearly maintenance may not be possible due to wet soil conditions, making it

impossible to maintain desired flow levels during those years. Assuming the required system modifications are made, the standard of care required would be much greater, as the flows in the Kings River South Fork – and potentially the upstream reaches of the Kings River and Kings River North Fork – would be much greater relative to historical flows. These flows would also need to be maintained at a higher elevation for much longer durations. As a result, the design would need to be more robust to maintain the same pre-modification and post-modification level of safety and risk. These various factors have not been considered in determining the ability of Semitropic's Project to receive either the volume or capacity of water they are requesting to justify their Project, nor the related water right they are requesting from the State Water Resources Control Board.

Because the Project would require flow capacities higher than current channel capacities be maintained for longer durations and at higher elevations, a geotechnical stability and seepage analysis would need to occur along all Kings River reaches where there are current, modified or added levees. Because stability and seepage is currently a concern with the Crescent Bypass, Clarks Fork, and South Fork sections the stability and seepage situation in these reaches would be exacerbated. After a proper stability and seepage analysis, absent reducing Project flows within the stability and seepage limits of the existing Kings River, engineered solutions would need to be incorporated into the Project design as mitigation. This could include a variety of alternatives such as cut-off walls and pumping and tile line drawdown and recovery systems. Furthermore, because the Project would be using the existing Kings River channel from Pine Flat Dam to the Project, and the Kings River North Fork, the Project would be responsible for its proportional share of base capital, operation, maintenance, and replacement costs; costs that are currently funded through property taxes paid by constituents. Project mitigation construction work within and near the Kings River would not fall under current authorized maintenance activities, therefore said construction would be required to obtain various authorizations, permits, reviews, and the like. These include but are not limited to:

- 1. National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) Environmental Impact Report (EIR) preparation or substitute
- 2. California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Environmental Impact Report (EIR) preparation or substitute
- 3. Central Valley Flood Protection Board permit
- 4. Federal Clean Water Act Section 401 Water Quality Certification
- 5. Section 404 dredged or fill material permit
- 6. Section 408 alternation of a public work permit
- 7. California Department of Fish and Wildlife Section 1600 Lake and Streambed Alternation Agreement

None of the costs associated with the aforementioned factors have been considered in the Project design; the funding of which would be required for the Project to receive said waters. Additionally, increasing and maintaining channel capacities with the noted required higher standard of care will require extensive channel modifications, which will in turn cause associated environmental impacts requiring State and Federal environmental permitting, as well as initial and on-going mitigation. With respect to on-going mitigation, on-going silt removal would be required within all channels, with anticipated dredging when channel conditions do not allow for

other silt removal measures and means. This potential yearly silt removal and dredging may require extensive State and Federal environmental permitting and associated mitigation.

Additionally, many existing, in progress, and anticipated projects are already allocating – or will shortly be allocating – waters which the Project has determined to be available based upon historical data. Without proper consideration of impacts to the Project's anticipated and actual water availability based upon more recent and projected supplies, the viability of the Project and these aforementioned projects will be severely undermined.

The potential impacts on the Kings River service area and its constituency – in particular the disadvantaged constituency within Fresno, Kings, and Tulare counties – are enormous and merit a more extensive analysis and review than has currently been completed for the Project. Because a proper review and analysis has not been completed; all Kings River Waters are allocated; and infrequent additional floodwaters previously uncaptured will be diverted to address SGMA, ILRP, and CV-SALTS requirements; KRCD encourages the State Water Resources Control Board to reject Semitropic's application for a water right on the Kings River.

Sincerely,

Paul G. Peschel, P.E. General Manager

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