
State Water Resources Control Board

NOTICE OF PETITION FOR TEMPORARY CHANGE INVOLVING THE TRANSFER/EXCHANGE FROM DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES PERMIT 16479 (APPLICATION 14443) AND THE SPECIFIED LICENSE AND PERMITS OF THE U.S. BUREAU OF RECLAMATION

On March 28, 2016, the Department of Water Resources (DWR), and the U.S. Bureau of Reclamation (Reclamation), collectively Petitioners, filed a petition for temporary change to transfer/exchange up to 305,820 acre-feet of water pursuant to California Water Code section 1725 et seq. The Petitioners request the temporary addition of the State Water Project (SWP) place of use downstream of Harvey O. Banks Pumping Plant (Banks) to Reclamation License 1986 and Permits 11885, 11886, 12721, 11967, 11887, 12722, 12723, 12727, 11315, 11316, 11968, 11969, 12860, 11971, 11973, and 12364 (Applications 23, 234, 1465, 5626, 5628, 5638, 9363, 9364, 9368, 13370, 13371, 15374, 15375, 15764, 16767, 17374, and 17376) and the temporary addition of the Central Valley Project (CVP) place of use downstream of Jones Pumping Plant (Jones) to DWR Permit 16479 (Application 14443). According to the Petitioners, the requested changes will allow them to more effectively and efficiently utilize the operational flexibility of the combined SWP and CVP facilities and water supply south of Banks and Jones. The Petitioners state that the operational flexibility will, in turn, help minimize to some extent the impacts to water users south of the Delta caused by unavailability of adequate SWP and CVP Project water supplies in 2016. Approval of the petition will not increase the quantity or alter the timing of diversions from the Delta or San Joaquin River. All exchanges covered by the petition will occur south of the Delta and are intended to alleviate anticipated water supply shortages. The proposed exchanges involve: 1) Santa Clara Valley Water District; 2) Oak Flat Water District/Del Puerto Water District; 3) Kern County Water Agency/Kern Tulare Water District; 4) Arvin-Edison Water Storage District/Metropolitan Water District of Southern California; 5) Kern County Water Agency/Westlands Water District; 6) Dept. of Veterans Affairs – San Joaquin Valley National Cemetery; 7) Musco Olive Products Inc.; and 8) Tulare Lake Basin Water Storage District – Westlands Water District/San Luis Water District. The Petitioners have requested the temporary changes become effective on May 1, 2016. Temporary changes involving the transfer/exchange of water may be in effect for one year from the date of approval.

SWP and CVP License and Permits Subject to Temporary Change

SWP Water Rights		
Application Number	License (L) or Permit (P) Number	Description
14443	P16479	Oroville Project
CVP Water Rights		
23	L1986	Friant Project
234	P11885	Friant Project
1465	P11886	Friant Project
5626	P12721	Shasta Project
5628	P11967	Trinity Project
5638	P11887	Friant Project
9363	P12722	Shasta Project
9364	P12723	Shasta Project
9368	P12727	Jones Pumping Plant
13370	P11315	Folsom Project
13371	P11316	Folsom Project
15374	P11968	Trinity Project
15375	P11969	Trinity Project
15764	P12860	San Luis Reservoir
16767	P11971	Trinity Project
17374	P11973	Trinity Project
17376	P12364	Whiskeytown Lake

Pursuant to California Water Code section 1726(f), any interested person may file a comment regarding the petition. **Comments must be received by the Division of Water Rights by 4:30 p.m. on April 22, 2016. A copy must be provided to the Petitioners at the addresses below.** To obtain detailed information regarding the proposed transfer, you may view the petition and related project information by visiting the Division's website at: http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/waterrights/water_issues/programs/applications/transfers_tu_notices/index.shtml

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Date of Notice: **April 7, 2016**