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March 10, 2021

Mr. Erik Ekdahl, Deputy Director  
Division of Water Rights  
State Water Resources Control Board  
P.O. Box 2000  
Sacramento, CA 95812-2000

**Subject: Reclamation District No. 108 Petitions for Change Involving Water Transfer under License 3065 and 3066 (Application 576 and 763)**

Dear Mr. Ekdahl:

On behalf of Reclamation District No. 108 (District), enclosed are the following documents relative to Petitions for Change Involving Water Transfer (Petitions) under the District's License 3065 and 3066 (Application 576 and 763):

1. License 3065 Petition for Change Involving Water Transfers Form with an Attachment (one original and one copy).
2. License 3066 Petition for Change Involving Water Transfers Form with an Attachment (one original and one copy).
3. Environmental Information Form with an Attachment (one original and one copy).
4. Check in the amount of \$28,990.00 (sum of \$6,995.00 for the License 3065 petition, and \$21,995.00 for the License 3066 Petition) to cover the Petition fees which is based on a total quantity proposed to be made available for transfer, up to 50,000 acre-feet (AF).
5. Check in the amount of \$850 to cover the fee for the Department of Fish and Wildlife.

The District is petitioning to temporarily add points of diversion, a point of rediversion, place of use, and purposes of use to its License 3065 and 3066 in order to transfer up to a total of 50,000 AF for use by participating entities within the San Luis & Delta-Mendota Water Authority (SLDMWA). The District proposes to make surface water available for transfer through groundwater substitution and crop idling/shifting. As you are aware, time is of the essence to process this Petition for the implementation of the water transfer to the SLDMWA; and we appreciate your attention to this temporary transfer Petition.

Please call if you have any questions or require additional information.

Sincerely,  
MBK ENGINEERS



Kyle Knutson

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Enclosures

cc: Lewis Bair, Reclamation District No. 108 (via e-mail)  
Andrea Clark, Downey Brand (via e-mail)  
Samuel Boland-Brien, Division of Water Rights (via e-mail)  
Anna Fock, Department of Water Resources (via e-mail)  
Andy Chu, Department of Water Resources (via e-mail)  
Adam Nickels, U.S. Bureau of Reclamation (via e-mail)  
Natalie Wolder, U.S. Bureau of Reclamation (via e-mail)  
Michelle Snapp, CVRWQCB (via e-mail)  
Bridget Gibbons, Department of Fish and Wildlife (via e-mail)  
Board of Supervisors, County of Colusa (via certified mail)  
Board of Supervisors, County of Yolo (via certified mail)  
Board of Supervisors, County of Fresno (via certified mail)  
Board of Supervisors, County of Kings (via certified mail)  
Board of Supervisors, County of Merced (via certified mail)  
Board of Supervisors, County of San Joaquin (via certified mail)  
Board of Supervisors, County of San Benito (via certified mail)  
Board of Supervisors, County of Santa Clara (via certified mail)  
Board of Supervisors, County of Stanislaus (via certified mail)

Please indicate County where your project is located here:

Colusa & Yolo

MAIL FORM AND ATTACHMENTS TO:

State Water Resources Control Board

DIVISION OF WATER RIGHTS

P.O. Box 2000, Sacramento, CA 95812-2000

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# PETITION FOR CHANGE INVOLVING WATER TRANSFERS

Separate petitions are required for each water right. Mark all areas that apply to your proposed change(s). Incomplete forms may not be accepted. Location and area information must be provided on maps in accordance with established requirements. (Cal. Code Regs., tit. 23, § 715 et seq.) Provide attachments if necessary.

- Point of Diversion** Wat. Code, § 1701
- Point of Rediversion** Wat. Code, § 1701
- Place of Use** Wat. Code, § 1701
- Purpose of Use** Wat. Code, § 1701
- Temporary Urgency** Wat. Code, § 1435
- Temporary Change** Wat. Code, § 1725
- Long-term Transfer** Wat. Code, §§ 382, 1735
- Instream Flow Dedication** Wat. Code, § 1707

Application  Permit  License  Statement

I (we) hereby petition for change(s) noted above and described as follows:

**Point of Diversion or Rediversion** – Provide source name and identify points using both Public Land Survey System descriptions to ¼-¼ level and California Coordinate System (NAD 83).

Present:

Proposed:

**Place of Use** – Identify area using Public Land Survey System descriptions to ¼-¼ level; for irrigation, list number of acres irrigated.

Present:

Proposed:

**Purpose of Use**

Present:

Proposed:

**Instream Flow Dedication** – Provide source name and identify points using both Public Land Survey System descriptions to ¼-¼ level and California Coordinate System (NAD 83).

Upstream Location:

Downstream Location:

List the quantities dedicated to instream flow in either:  cubic feet per second or  gallons per day:

Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
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Will the dedicated flow be diverted for consumptive use at a downstream location?  Yes  No  
If yes, provide the source name, location coordinates, and the quantities of flow that will be diverted from the stream.

**Proposed New User(s)**

Provide the names, addresses, and phone numbers for all proposed new user(s) of the water right.

San Luis & Delta-Mendota Water Authority  
Attn: Frances Mizuno  
P.O. Box 2157  
Los Banos, CA 93635  
(209) 832-6200

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**Amount of Water to be Transferred**

acre-feet will be transferred. If the basis of right is direct diversion, the average rate of diversion for the maximum 30-day period of use is  cubic feet per second or million gallons per day.

**General Information** – Provide the following information, if applicable to your proposed change(s).

Have you attached an analysis which documents that the amount of water to be transferred or exchanged would have been consumptively used or stored in the absence of the proposed temporary change or long-term transfer?  Yes  No

Have you attached an analysis of any changes to streamflow, water quality, timing of diversion or use, return flows, or effects on legal users from the proposed temporary change or long-term transfer?  Yes  No

Have you attached an analysis that shows the proposed temporary change or long-term transfer will not unreasonably affect fish, wildlife, or other instream beneficial uses?  Yes  No

I (we) have access to the proposed point of diversion or control the proposed place of use by virtue of:  
 ownership  lease  verbal agreement  written agreement

If by lease or agreement, state name and address of person(s) from whom access has been obtained.

Give name and address of any person(s) taking water from the stream between the present point of diversion or rediversion and the proposed point of diversion or rediversion, as well as any other person(s) known to you who may be affected by the proposed change.

**All Right Holders Must Sign Below:** I (we) declare under penalty of perjury that this involves only the amount of water which would have been consumptively used or stored in the absence of the proposed temporary change, and that the above is true and correct to the best of my (our) knowledge and belief.

Dated  at

*Kyle Knutson*

Right Holder or Authorized Agent Signature

Right Holder or Authorized Agent Signature

**NOTE: All petitions must be accompanied by:**  
(1) the form Environmental Information for Petitions, available at: [http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/waterrights/publications\\_forms/docs/pet\\_info.pdf](http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/waterrights/publications_forms/docs/pet_info.pdf)  
(2) Division of Water Rights fee, per the Water Rights Fee Schedule, available at: [http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/waterrights/water\\_issues/programs/fees/](http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/waterrights/water_issues/programs/fees/)  
(3) Department of Fish and Wildlife fee of \$850 (Pub. Resources Code, § 10005)

**Attachment No. 1  
to Petition for Change Involving Water Transfers  
License 3066 (Application 763)  
Held by Reclamation District No. 108**

**GENERAL**

The purpose of this Petition for Change Involving Water Transfers (Petition) is to: (1) add the State Water Project's (SWP) Harvey O. Banks Pumping Plant and the Central Valley Project's (CVP) CW "Bill" Jones Pumping Plant as points of diversion, (2) add San Luis Reservoir as a point of rediversion, (3) add a portion of the service area of the CVP as an additional place of use, and (4) add municipal, industrial, and domestic purposes of use under Reclamation District No. 108's (District) License 3066 (Application 763). This Petition is being filed to facilitate a temporary transfer (2021 Water Transfer) of up to a total of 40,000 acre-feet (AF) of surface water proposed to be made available from the District during May through September 2021. This proposed transfer quantity will be made available by crop idling/shifting (up to 40,000 AF), for use by participating entities within the San Luis & Delta-Mendota Water Authority (SLDMWA) in order to provide an additional water supply for irrigation, municipal, industrial, and domestic purposes. The quantity of surface water to be made available for transfer by crop idling/shifting involves only the consumptive use savings as a result of actions within the District's boundaries. Absent the proposed temporary transfer, the District would divert the entire quantity of surface water proposed for transfer from the Sacramento River pursuant to its water right and its Sacramento River Settlement Contract with the U.S. Bureau of Reclamation (Reclamation).

**POINT OF DIVERSION OR REDIVERSION**

**POINT OF DIVERSION**

***Present Points of Diversion:***

**Wilkins Slough Pumping Plant**

By California Coordinate System of 1983, Zone 2, North 2,130,572 feet and East 6,610,675 feet, being within SW $\frac{1}{4}$  of SE $\frac{1}{4}$  of projected Section 35, T14N, R1E, MDB&M.

**Steiner Bend North Plant**

By California Coordinate System of 1983, Zone 2, North 2,125,881 feet and East 6,617,851 feet, being within SE $\frac{1}{4}$  of SE $\frac{1}{4}$  of projected Section 1, T13N, R1E, MDB&M.

**Steiner Bend South Plant**

By California Coordinate System of 1983, Zone 2, North 2,122,208 feet and East 6,613,791 feet, being within NW $\frac{1}{4}$  of SW $\frac{1}{4}$  of projected Section 12, T13N, R1E, MDB&M.

**Emery Poundstone Pumping Plant**

By California Coordinate System of 1983, Zone 2, North 2,105,148 feet and East 6,608, 242 feet, being within SW $\frac{1}{4}$  of SW $\frac{1}{4}$  of projected Section 26, T13N, R1E, MDB&M.

**El Dorado Bend Plant**

North 53° East 6,200 feet from a point on Sycamore Slough at the intersection of the South boundary of Rancho Jimeno and the West line of Section 31, T12N, R2E, MDB&M, being within NE $\frac{1}{4}$  of SE $\frac{1}{4}$  of projected section 30, T12N, R2E, MDB&M

***Proposed Additional Points of Diversion:***

No change in the present points of diversion is proposed. The District proposes to add the following points of diversion:

**Banks Pumping Plant via the Clifton Court Forebay**

N 2,126,440 ft., E 6,256,425 ft., California Coordinate System Zone 3, NAD 83, being within the NW  $\frac{1}{4}$  of SE  $\frac{1}{4}$  of Projected Section 20, T1S, R4E, MDB&M. This proposed additional point of diversion is identified on maps filed with the Division of Water Rights (Division) under Application 5630.

**CW “Bill” Jones Pumping Plant**

N 2,121,505 ft., E 6,255,368 ft., California Coordinate System Zone 3, NAD 83, being within the NE  $\frac{1}{4}$  of SW  $\frac{1}{4}$  of Projected Section 29, T1S, R4E, MDB&M. This proposed additional point of diversion is identified on maps filed with the Division under Application 5626.

**POINT OF REDIVERSION**

***Proposed Additional Point of Rediversion:***

The District proposes to add the following point of rediversion, which will assist in the temporary retention of transfer water for later use by the participating entities within SLDMWA during periods that coincide with demands or other operational constraints:

**San Luis Reservoir**

N 1,845,103 ft., E 6,393,569 ft., California Coordinate System Zone 3, NAD 83, being within the SW  $\frac{1}{4}$  of SE  $\frac{1}{4}$  of Projected Section 15, T10S, R8E, MDB&M. This proposed additional point of rediversion is identified on maps filed with the Division under Application 5630.

**PLACE OF USE**

***Present:***

A net of 22,663 acres irrigated in any one year hereunder and under Licenses 3066 and 3067 within a gross area of 38,510 acres, all within the service area of Reclamation District No. 108 within T11N, R1E; T12N, R1 and R2E; T13N, R1W and 1E; and T14N, R1W and 1E, MDB&M, as shown on map dated April 17, 2007 filed with the State Water Board.

***Proposed:***

No change in the present place of use is proposed. The District proposes to add a portion of the service area of the CVP as the proposed additional place of use in order to facilitate the temporary water transfer to the SLDMWA. This portion of the service area of the CVP is shown on Map 214-208 – 12581 on file with the Division under Application 5626.

**GENERAL INFORMATION**

Surface water will be made available for transfer from the District by crop idling/shifting, consistent with the current *Draft Technical Information for Preparing Water Transfer Proposals*, dated December 2019 (Draft Technical Information) published by the Department of Water Resources (DWR) and Reclamation. The Draft Technical Information has been developed to address the concerns of DWR and Reclamation relative to the potential impacts that water transfers may have on other legal users, instream beneficial uses, and the overall economy and environment. The District will submit a proposal to DWR and Reclamation for a water transfer to participating entities within the SLDMWA during 2021, which includes detailed information relative to monitoring and reporting elements, historical cropping data, and associated maps. DWR and Reclamation will conduct an extensive review of these documents in order to ensure that the quantity of water proposed to be made available by the District meets the relevant criteria to demonstrate a reduction in surface water use will occur as a result of the proposed temporary transfer. Absent the proposed temporary transfer to SLDMWA, crops would not be idled/shifted to make surface water available for SLDMWA; thus, the District would have diverted surface water to meet its irrigation demands.

Crop idling/shifting water transfers involve surface water made available for transfer by reducing the consumptive use of surface water applied for irrigation. As indicated above, the District is preparing a water transfer proposal for submittal to DWR and Reclamation to provide the information required pursuant to the Draft Technical Information, which includes supporting documentation to determine the quantity of surface water to be made available by crop idling/shifting. Following submittal of a proposal for the 2021 Water Transfer, DWR and Reclamation will evaluate the fields proposed to be idled/shifted for the temporary transfer. Evaluation and approval by DWR and Reclamation of the lands to be idled/shifted and verification of the quantity of surface water made available will ensure the proposed transfer does not result in any unreasonable and adverse impacts to the environment or third parties. In

accordance with the Draft Technical Information and the *Final Long-Term Water Transfers Environmental Impact Statement/Environmental Impact Report* (Final EIS/EIR) prepared by SLDMWA and Reclamation, dated September 2019, the District's crop idling/shifting will incorporate relevant mitigation measures that minimize impacts on threatened species, including the Giant Garter Snake.

As a result of the proposed temporary transfer, the flow in the Sacramento River downstream of the District's present points of diversion will increase by up to 40,000 AF over what would have occurred absent the proposed transfer. These increases will occur during the period that surface water is made available by the District or if possible, during the following months thereafter through releases by Reclamation for conveyance to SLDMWA. If excess capacity is available in Shasta Reservoir, the Delta is in balanced conditions, and regulatory requirements are being met, Reclamation may temporarily hold the quantity of surface water made available by the District, until export capacity at the SWP's Banks Pumping Plant or the CVP's Jones Pumping Plant is available, which is typically during July, August, or September. This "backing up" of transfer water would decrease releases from Shasta Reservoir early in the irrigation season, such as during May and June, and increase releases later in the season. Reclamation would only consider operations to facilitate and accommodate "backing up" of transfer water if those operations avoid temperature impacts, and possibly aid with overall temperature management, consistent with the Final EIS/R. In fact, this temporary retention of water in Shasta Reservoir, as a result of surface water made available by the District, may provide a benefit for fisheries during the early portion of the irrigation season. Shasta Reservoir would continue to be operated in accordance with regulatory requirements, such as flow and temperature requirements established by various agencies including the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration's National Marine Fisheries Service, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, and State Water Resources Control Board, for the protection of downstream resources. During the period when it is possible for the increased flows in the Sacramento River to reach the proposed additional points of diversion for the proposed transfer, these flows will be a small percentage of the total flow and will be water that would be diverted by the District absent this proposed transfer. The District's reduced diversions will provide additional flows during the proposed transfer period, up to a maximum of approximately 500 cfs. Therefore, there will be no injury to other legal water users, water quality, or return flows; in fact, these increased flows may provide benefits for fisheries and wildlife and may result in a positive effect to the water users between the present points of diversion and the proposed additional points of diversion.

See files of the State Water Resources Control Board for more information regarding other legal water users, which may include the Delta water users, the Central Valley Project, and the SWP. Discussions with the Department of Fish and Wildlife (DFW) staff regarding the Petition occurred on February 10 and 26, and March 1, 2021 in order to discuss the proposed water transfer, including the overall process/review of the Petition and associated documentation by DFW and other agencies. In addition, the District has notified Yolo County representatives to discuss the proposed temporary transfer, consistent with Yolo County Ordinance No. 1195. Further, the District is providing notification to the Colusa Groundwater Authority GSA and



Yolo Subbasin GSA, which are the groundwater sustainability agencies formed pursuant to the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act. Documentation of the District's notifications to Yolo County representatives, Colusa Groundwater Authority GSA and the Yolo Subbasin GSA will be provided to DWR and Reclamation, in accordance with the Draft Technical Information. Coordination with DFW staff is continuing in order to obtain any comments; and DFW staff have been provided a copy of this Petition for review. The Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board (CVRWQCB) has also been contacted and were provided information regarding the proposed temporary water transfer; CVRWQCB staff are currently reviewing the Petition. Copies of this Petition have been provided to Bridget Gibbons (916-767-3993) of DFW and Michelle Snapp (916-464-4824) of the CVRWQCB for review and comment.

## ENVIRONMENTAL INFORMATION FOR PETITIONS

This form is required for all petitions.

Before the State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) can approve a petition, the State Water Board must consider the information contained in an environmental document prepared in compliance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). This form is not a CEQA document. If a CEQA document has not yet been prepared, a determination must be made of who is responsible for its preparation. As the petitioner, you are responsible for all costs associated with the environmental evaluation and preparation of the required CEQA documents. Please answer the following questions to the best of your ability and submit any studies that have been conducted regarding the environmental evaluation of your project. If you need more space to completely answer the questions, please number and attach additional sheets.

### DESCRIPTION OF PROPOSED CHANGES OR WORK REMAINING TO BE COMPLETED

For a petition for change, provide a description of the proposed changes to your project including, but not limited to, type of construction activity, structures existing or to be built, area to be graded or excavated, increase in water diversion and use (up to the amount authorized by the permit), changes in land use, and project operational changes, including changes in how the water will be used. For a petition for extension of time, provide a description of what work has been completed and what remains to be done. Include in your description any of the above elements that will occur during the requested extension period.

See Attachment No. 1

Insert the attachment number here, if applicable:

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**Coordination with Regional Water Quality Control Board**

For change petitions only, you must request consultation with the Regional Water Quality Control Board regarding the potential effects of your proposed change on water quality and other instream beneficial uses. (Cal. Code Regs., tit. 23, § 794.) In order to determine the appropriate office for consultation, see: [http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/waterboards\\_map.shtml](http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/waterboards_map.shtml). Provide the date you submitted your request for consultation here, then provide the following information.

Date of Request

2/25/2021

Will your project, during construction or operation, (1) generate waste or wastewater containing such things as sewage, industrial chemicals, metals, or agricultural chemicals, or (2) cause erosion, turbidity or sedimentation?

Yes  No

Will a waste discharge permit be required for the project?

Yes  No

If necessary, provide additional information below:

Michelle Snapp (916-464-4824) of the Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board was contacted in order to discuss the proposed temporary water transfer; and no comments were provided at this time. A copy of this petition has been provided to Ms. Snapp concurrently with the submittal of this petition to the Division of Water Rights.

Insert the attachment number here, if applicable:

**Local Permits**

For temporary transfers only, you must contact the board of supervisors for the county(ies) both for where you currently store or use water and where you propose to transfer the water. (Wat. Code § 1726.) Provide the date you submitted your request for consultation here.

Date of Contact

3/10/2021

For change petitions only, you should contact your local planning or public works department and provide the information below.

Person Contacted:

Date of Contact:

Department:

Phone Number:

County Zoning Designation:

Are any county permits required for your project? If yes, indicate type below.  Yes  No

- Grading Permit
- Use Permit
- Watercourse
- Obstruction Permit
- Change of Zoning
- General Plan Change
- Other (explain below)

If applicable, have you obtained any of the permits listed above? If yes, provide copies.  Yes  No

If necessary, provide additional information below:

Not Applicable.

Insert the attachment number here, if applicable:

**Federal and State Permits**

Check any additional agencies that may require permits or other approvals for your project:

- Regional Water Quality Control Board     Department of Fish and Game
- Dept of Water Resources, Division of Safety of Dams     California Coastal Commission
- State Reclamation Board     U.S. Army Corps of Engineers     U.S. Forest Service
- Bureau of Land Management     Federal Energy Regulatory Commission
- Natural Resources Conservation Service

Have you obtained any of the permits listed above? If yes, provide copies.     Yes     No

For each agency from which a permit is required, provide the following information:

Agency	Permit Type	Person(s) Contacted	Contact Date	Phone Number
Not Applicable.				

If necessary, provide additional information below:

Not Applicable.

Insert the attachment number here, if applicable:

**Construction or Grading Activity**

Does the project involve any construction or grading-related activity that has significantly altered or would significantly alter the bed, bank or riparian habitat of any stream or lake?     Yes     No

If necessary, provide additional information below:

Not Applicable.

Insert the attachment number here, if applicable:

**Archeology**

- Has an archeological report been prepared for this project? If yes, provide a copy.  Yes  No
- Will another public agency be preparing an archeological report?  Yes  No
- Do you know of any archeological or historic sites in the area? If yes, explain below.  Yes  No

If necessary, provide additional information below:

Not Applicable.

Insert the attachment number here, if applicable:

**Photographs** See Attachment No. 1.

For all petitions other than time extensions, attach complete sets of color photographs, clearly dated and labeled, showing the vegetation that exists at the following three locations:

- Along the stream channel immediately downstream from each point of diversion
- Along the stream channel immediately upstream from each point of diversion
- At the place where water subject to this water right will be used

**Maps** See Attachment No. 1.

For all petitions other than time extensions, attach maps labeled in accordance with the regulations showing all applicable features, both present and proposed, including but not limited to: point of diversion, point of rediversion, distribution of storage reservoirs, point of discharge of treated wastewater, place of use, and location of instream flow dedication reach. (Cal. Code Regs., tit. 23, §§ 715 et seq., 794.)

Pursuant to California Code of Regulations, title 23, section 794, petitions for change submitted without maps may not be accepted.

**All Water Right Holders Must Sign This Form:**

I (we) hereby certify that the statements I (we) have furnished above and in the attachments are complete to the best of my (our) ability and that the facts, statements, and information presented are true and correct to the best of my (our) knowledge. Dated  at .

*Kyle Knutson*

Water Right Holder or Authorized Agent Signature

Water Right Holder or Authorized Agent Signature

**NOTE:**

- **Petitions for Change** may not be accepted unless you include proof that a copy of the petition was served on the Department of Fish and Game. (Cal. Code Regs., tit. 23, § 794.)
- **Petitions for Temporary Transfer** may not be accepted unless you include proof that a copy of the petition was served on the Department of Fish and Game and the board of supervisors for the county(ies) where you currently store or use water and the county(ies) where you propose to transfer the water. (Wat. Code § 1726.)

**Attachment No. 1**  
**to Environmental Information for**  
**Petition for Change Involving Water Transfers**  
**License 3065 and 3066 (Application 576 and 763)**  
**Held by Reclamation District No. 108**

DESCRIPTION OF PROPOSED CHANGES

Reclamation District No. 108 (District) is petitioning to temporarily add two points of diversion, a point of rediversion, a place of use, and purposes of use to the water right identified above in order to transfer up to 50,000 AF for use by participating entities within the San Luis & Delta-Mendota Water Authority (SLDMWA) by groundwater substitution and by crop idling/shifting. The State Water Project's (SWP) Banks Pumping Plant and the Central Valley Project's (CVP) CW "Bill" Jones Pumping Plant are proposed to be added as points of diversion; San Luis Reservoir is proposed to be added as a point of rediversion; and a portion of the service area of the CVP is proposed to be added as a place of use. The purposes of use proposed to be added are municipal, industrial, and domestic, in addition to the existing purpose of use for irrigation. These proposed additions would authorize the transfer of water to SLDMWA in order to provide an additional water supply during the current drier hydrologic conditions. There are no changes to the District's existing points of diversion, place of use, or purpose of use.

The quantity of surface water proposed to be made available by groundwater substitution, up to 10,000 AF prior to subtracting streamflow depletion loss, involves the use of groundwater pumped upon overlying lands in exchange for a like amount of surface water that will remain instream for diversion at the proposed additional points of diversion. The quantity of surface water proposed to be made available for transfer by crop idling/shifting, up to 40,000 AF, involves only the consumptive use savings as a result of actions within the District's boundaries. These proposed quantities would be made available by the District during May through September 2021. Absent the proposed temporary transfer, the District would have diverted the total proposed transfer quantity of 50,000 AF from the Sacramento River pursuant to its Licenses 3065 and 3066. The proposed temporary transfer does not involve any construction or other physical changes to the District's facilities.

Petitions for temporary transfer of water pursuant to Water Code Section 1725 are exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). The U.S. Bureau of Reclamation (Reclamation) and SLDMWA have prepared a *Final Long-Term Water Transfers Environmental Impact Statement/Environmental Impact Report* (Final EIS/EIR), dated September 2019, pursuant to the requirements under the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) and CEQA. A copy of the Final EIS/EIR, dated September 2019, is available at: < [https://www.usbr.gov/mp/nepa/nepa\\_project\\_details.php?Project\\_ID=18361](https://www.usbr.gov/mp/nepa/nepa_project_details.php?Project_ID=18361) > Based on the requirements associated with the Final EIS/EIR, and in accordance with the Draft Technical Information for Preparing Water Transfer Proposals, dated December 2019 published by the Department of Water Resources and Reclamation, the District will implement the relevant, applicable measures for the proposed 2021 Water Transfer.

### PHOTOGRAPHS

The present points of diversion and the proposed additional points of diversion and rediversion include existing facilities that are well known and documented with the Division of Water Rights (Division). In addition, the present and proposed places of use are also well known and documented with the Division. Therefore, for these reasons, the District respectfully requests that said documentation be made a part of the record for the petition.

### MAPS

The present points of diversion and place of use are shown on a map filed with the Division for License 3065 and 3066. The proposed additional point of diversion for the SWP's Banks Pumping Plant and the proposed additional point of rediversion for San Luis Reservoir are shown on maps filed with the Division for Application 5630. The proposed additional point of diversion for the CVP's Jones Pumping Plant is shown on maps filed with the Division for Application 5626. The proposed additional place of use is a portion of the CVP service area, as shown on Map 214-208 – 12581 on file with the Division under Application 5626. The District respectfully requests that said maps be made a part of the record for the petition.