To Whom It May Concern:

NOTICE OF PROBABLE CURTAILMENT OF WATER DIVERSION DURING 2018 (TERM 91)

Your Permit (APPLICATION NO. A0) contains a term (Standard Term 91) that prohibits diversion of water under specified conditions. These conditions occur when Supplemental Project Water (SPW) from the Central Valley Project or the State Water Project (Projects) is being released to meet water quality standards and other in-basin entitlements in the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta Watershed. The Division of Water Rights (Division) is giving this advance notice to advise affected diverters of the probability of a water diversion curtailment under Term 91, if weather conditions remain on their current pattern.

The complex calculations to determine when Term 91 may go into effect are simplified in a graph that may be accessed from the following web page:


Term 91 requires that you cease diverting water under your permit or license when the Projects are releasing SPW to achieve Delta water quality objectives and the Delta is in balanced condition. That SPW condition is depicted on the Term 91 Graph when SPW (shown in blue) turns negative (goes below the black dotted line). The graphic depiction is accompanied by a Delta Condition Status box showing when the Delta is in balanced or excess condition. Curtailments under Term 91 may go into effect when SPW is positive and the Delta is in balanced condition.

If you plan to use water during a Term 91 curtailment period, you must arrange to obtain an alternate source of water such as a more senior water right that is not under curtailment, ground water, or contract water purchased from agencies with available water.

1 SPW is defined as water imported by the Projects plus water released from Project storage which is in excess of export diversions, Project carriage water, and Project in-basin deliveries.
Please note, a water right may be curtailed based on specific terms in the right, lack of water available in the watershed, or the need to maintain flows for public trust uses. At times, one or more bases of curtailment may be applicable for a specific water right. The most restrictive conditions of all applicable curtailments govern diversions under the water right when this occurs.

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Sincerely,

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