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Temporary Suspension of Monthly Reporting Requirement Pursuant to Order WR 2015-0002-DWR

On February 4, 2015, the Deputy Director for Water Rights issued Order WR 2015-0002-DWR (Informational Order) to 1,061 Statement holders in the Sacramento and San Joaquin watersheds and Delta. This Informational Order, adopted as part of the integrated emergency drought response and extended in force through September 13, 2016, requires among other things affected diverters to report their water diversions for each month by the fifth day of the succeeding month.

Even though the Informational Order remains in force, the Division of Water Rights recognizes that early cumulative precipitation for the current water year and coincident seasonal reduction in diversions have reduced pressure on the Sacramento-San Joaquin watershed.

In light of the current conditions, but mindful of the potential for on-going drought, the Division hereby exercises its discretion and temporarily suspends, beginning with the October 2016 reporting period, the requirement for monthly reporting of water diversions under Order WR 2015-0002-DWR.

The Division will continue to monitor conditions and will make future decisions with respect to monthly reporting as conditions develop. This temporary suspension does not affect the enforceability of the order, as to responses previously required, or for the other annual reporting responsibilities of all water users under their water rights.