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The State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) is lifting the water right curtailment for all post-1914 water right permits and licenses in the Russian River watershed. This action is based on reduced diversion demands after October 31st, water conservation savings in the watershed, and recent increases in tributary flows. Unless otherwise directed in a future email list notification, all curtailed permits and licenses in the Russian River watershed may commence diversions. Water right holders must comply with all terms and conditions of their water right, including the season of diversion and bypass conditions. All water right holders should keep a record of their diversions since such diversions are still subject to prior rights. Any diversion in violation of terms and conditions or of these notices is subject to enforcement.

The State Water Board will be monitoring weather forecasts and stream gages to determine if curtailments should be re-imposed in the future. Please monitor your email and our website for future updates. If an email list notice is issued on the weekend, the website will not be updated until the following Monday due to service limitations.

If you have questions, please contact our Drought Year Curtailment Hotline at: (916) 341-5342.