November 12, 2014

The State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) is lifting the water right curtailments for post-1914 water rights in the Sacramento and San Joaquin River watersheds with a priority date of December 31, 1953, and earlier. This action is based on reduced diversion demands after October 31st, and the switch in diversion demand from direct diversion to storage. Unless otherwise directed in a future email list notification, all curtailed water rights in the Sacramento and San Joaquin watersheds with a priority date of December 31, 1953, and earlier, 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. This notice also does not relieve a right holder of responsibility to comply with other curtailments, like Term 91 Curtailment and Curtailment Orders for Deer Creek. 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, or if lifting of remaining curtailments is appropriate. 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.