November 19, 2014

NOTICE OF TEMPORARY LIFTING OF CURTAILMENTS FOR DIVERSIONS IN THE SACRAMENTO-SAN JOAQUIN WATERSHED

The State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) has temporarily lifted the water right curtailments for post-1953 permits and licenses in the Sacramento and San Joaquin River watersheds beginning immediately and continuing until further notice. The temporary authorization for diversion is based on this week’s rain event and associated projected runoff. All diversions during this time period must be in accordance with the State Water Board’s October 3, 2014 letter and email notification.

During this diversion opportunity, you must comply with all terms and conditions of your water right, especially season of diversion and bypass conditions. This notice also does not relieve your responsibility to comply with other curtailments, like Term 91 Curtailment and Curtailment Orders for Deer Creek. You should keep a record of your 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 the temporary diversion opportunity should continue. Please monitor your email and our website for further updates on when diversions are authorized, and when curtailments are in place. If an email list notice is issued on the weekend, the website will not be updated until the following Monday due to service limitations.