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Scott River Watershed: Curtailments in Effect for All Surface Water and Groundwater Diversions

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This is a message from the State Water Resources Control Board.

To: Scott River Water Right Holders (sent to water right holders for which the Board has email addresses and to the Scott-Shasta Drought E-mail List)

The purpose of this email is to provide notification that all surface water and groundwater diversions in the Scott River watershed must immediately cease unless they are approved under a petition or meet an exception as described below. Flows in the Scott River are below the July flow requirement of 50 cubic feet per second (cfs). As of 4:00 pm on July 13, 2022, the flow at the United States Geological Survey (USGS) Fort Jones gage was 35.8 cubic feet per second (cfs), with a declining trend that is anticipated to continue.

All surface water and groundwater diverters are required to cease diversions immediately and may not resume diversions until otherwise informed by the State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board or Board). However, the following diversions may continue consistent with the commitments or approvals made in the associated petitions: (1) Scott River overlying or adjudicated groundwater diversions that are approved or listed as pending on the Board's Scott-Shasta Local Cooperative Solutions website (https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/waterrights/water_issues/programs/drought/scott_ shasta rivers/ilcs.html); or (2) diversions that meet an exception to curtailment as described in the Emergency Regulation (diversion is non-consumptive under section 875.1, for human health and safety under section 875.2, or for minimum livestock requirements under section 875.3) and have filed the appropriate forms with the State Water Board for approval. If a pending Scott River overlying or adjudicated groundwater local cooperative solution petition is removed from the pending list on the Board's website or is denied, the subject water right is immediately curtailed. Water right holders shall maintain records of any continued

This is Addendum 35 to: Order for Reported Water Rights in the Scott River Watershed issued September 9, 2021, Order WR 2021-0083-DWR, and Order WR 2021-0084-DWR (Curtailment Orders). This addendum reimposes all curtailments identified in the Curtailment Orders above. Please note that this and previous addenda also include those who were later sent one of the above orders.

diversions under the petitions described above and provide such records to the

State Water Board upon request.

The State Water Board will continue to monitor flows, flow forecasts, and watershed conditions regularly to determine if further adjustments to curtailments are appropriate.

To stay informed on future updates related to curtailments and the ongoing Emergency Regulation effort in the Scott River and Shasta River watersheds, please:

- Monitor your email if you have subscribed to the "<u>Scott-Shasta Drought</u>" email list under "Water Rights"; and/or
- Visit our <u>Scott River and Shasta River Drought Response website</u>
 (https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/drought/scott_shasta_rivers/). If an email list notice is issued on the weekend or holiday, the website will not be updated until the following business day due to limitations on implementing such updates.

If you have questions regarding this email, please contact staff at: <u>ScottShastaDrought@waterboards.ca.gov</u> or leave a message at our dedicated Scott River and Shasta River Drought phone line at: (916) 327-3113.

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