

October 5, 2021

INTERIM AUTHORIZATION OF CONTINUED DIVERSIONS FOR MINIMUM HUMAN HEALTH AND SAFETY

Dear Petitioner:

The State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board), Division of Water Rights (Division) has received your Petition to Increase Human Health and Safety Diversions (petition). Pursuant to California Code of Regulations, title 23, section 878.1, subdivisions (b)(2) and (d), a petition may be submitted to the Deputy Director for the Division of Water Rights (Deputy Director) to request approval of continued diversions of an amount greater than 55 gallons per capita per day (GPCD), or on a basis that is not quantifiable in GPCD, to support minimum human health and safety needs. The State Water Board is working to expeditiously review all pending petitions related to the drought emergency.

Pursuant to California Code of Regulations, title 23, section 878.1, subdivision (e), the Deputy Director or his designee grants you interim authorization to continue diverting under your water right if it is currently curtailed or becomes curtailed in the future while your petition is being reviewed by the Division. Diversions that occur when your water right is curtailed must be in accordance with the terms and conditions of your water right and your petition until your petition is approved or denied.

During the pendency of this interim authorization, the Division will evaluate your petition for completeness and will notify you if additional information is required. Information regarding the status of your petition will be made available on the [Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta \(Delta\) Watershed Drought](#) webpage. Your petition and any additional information you provide at the Division's request will be a part of the public record and available for public review. Public comments and other information relevant to your petition may be considered during the review process or following approval to determine if reconsideration is appropriate.

Please note that your petition may be approved subject to conditions requiring the implementation of additional conservation measures or reporting requirements.

E. JOAQUIN ESQUIVEL, CHAIR | EILEEN SOBECK, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

If you have any questions or need to provide additional information regarding your petition, please contact Division staff at Bay-Delta@waterboards.ca.gov or (916) 319-0960.

Sincerely,

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