

## NOTICE OF DETERMINATION

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Governor's Office of Planning & Research

**Sep 30 2020**

**STATE CLEARINGHOUSE**

FROM: Department of Water Resources  
State Water Project Analysis Office  
1416 9<sup>th</sup> Street, Room 1620  
Sacramento, California 95814

SUBJECT: Filing of Notice of Determination in Compliance with §21108 of the  
Public Resources Code

PROJECT TITLE: Conveyance of 2020 Water Transfer from El Dorado Irrigation  
District to Westlands Water District (SWPAO #20753)

STATE CLEARINGHOUSE NUMBER(S): **SCH #2020039045**

LEAD AGENCY: El Dorado Irrigation District  
2890 Mosquito Road  
Placerville, CA 95667

LEAD AGENCY CONTACT PERSON:  
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Hydroelectric Compliance Analyst  
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RESPONSIBLE AGENCY: Department of Water Resources (DWR)

RESPONSIBLE AGENCY CONTACT PERSON: Brian Heiland  
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PROJECT LOCATION: El Dorado County and the service area of Westlands Water  
District (Westlands). The Project will use existing State Water Project (SWP) facilities.

### I. PROJECT DESCRIPTION

El Dorado Irrigation District (District) has requested that DWR convey up to 8,421 acre-feet of transfer water to Westlands made available by additional releases from Caples Lake and Silver Lake that otherwise would be added to storage in Jenkinson Lake. The District also has a separate conveyance agreement (SWPAO #20-752) with DWR and Westlands regarding the transfer of stored releases from Weber Reservoir. The combined maximum transfer amount from Caples Lake, Silver Lake, and Weber Reservoir will be 8,421 acre-feet. The point of transfer will be Folsom Lake Reservoir. The transfer water will flow to the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta, where DWR will

export the transfer water through the SWP Banks Pumping Plant and convey it to Westlands' service area through the California Aqueduct.

**II. DEPARTMENT'S ACTION**

In order to implement this project, DWR must approve an agreement for the conveyance of transfer water.

**III. DETERMINATIONS**

This is to advise that DWR, acting as a responsible State agency under the California Environmental Quality Act, has approved the proposed project on 9/29/2020, and makes the following determinations:

1. The District prepared a Negative Declaration (ND) pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act of 1970 (CEQA) and the State CEQA Guidelines in March 2020.
2. DWR has determined that said project in its approved form will not have a significant effect on the environment.
3. Mitigation measures were not adopted by the Lead Agency pursuant to Public Resources Code Section 21081.
4. A Statement of Overriding Considerations was not adopted for the project, pursuant to Section 15093 of the State CEQA Guidelines.
5. Findings were not made pursuant to the provisions of Public Resources Code Section 21081 in CEQA.

**IV. LOCATION OF RECORD**

DWR's decision and determination is based on the documents described herein, which are available for review at the office of the District, 2890 Mosquito Road, Placerville, California 95667. The custodian of the administrative record for DWR is Kora Bitcon, (916) 653-9313 at the Bonderson Building, 901 P Street, Room 145, Sacramento, California 95814.

**APPROVED:**

DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES

Pedro Villalobos  
Pedro Villalobos, Chief  
State Water Project Analysis Office

9/29/2020  
Date