

NOTICE OF DETERMINATION

TO: Office of Planning and Research
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FROM: Department of Water Resources
State Water Project Analysis Office
1416 9th Street, Room 1620
Sacramento, California 95814

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

PROJECT TITLE: Golden State Water Company 2020 Groundwater Substitution
Water Transfer (SWPAO #20759)

STATE CLEARINGHOUSE NUMBER(S): **SCH #2020050212**

LEAD AGENCY: City of Sacramento
1395 35th Avenue
Sacramento, CA 95822

LEAD AGENCY CONTACT PERSON: Scott Johnson
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RESPONSIBLE AGENCIES: Department of Water Resources (DWR)

RESPONSIBLE AGENCY CONTACT PERSON: Brian Heiland
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PROJECT LOCATION: Golden State Water Company (Golden State) is located in Sacramento County. The water will be delivered to the service areas of Dudley Ridge Water District (DRWD), Alameda County Water District (ACWD), County of Kings (KC), and Kern County Water Agency (KCWA). The Project will use existing State Water Project facilities.

I. PROJECT DESCRIPTION

Golden State is conducting a one-year 2020 groundwater substitution transfer. Golden State will pump up to an additional 2,500 acre-feet of groundwater from July through October 2020 to substitute for reduced deliveries of surface water under its pre-1914 water right. With a 13 percent stream flow depletion, up to 2,175 acre-feet of the forgone surface water will enter the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta (Delta). After Delta carriage water, DWR will export the water through State Water Project Banks Pumping Plant and deliver to DRWD, ACWD, KC and KCWA during summer and fall 2020.

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 (CEQA), has approved the proposed project on 10/21/2020, and makes the following determinations:

1. City of Sacramento filed a Notice of Determination pursuant to the CEQA and the State CEQA Guidelines.
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 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 City of Sacramento, City Clerk's Office, 915 "I" Street, Fifth Floor, Sacramento, CA 95814. 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

<i>Brian G. Heiland</i>	Brian G. Heiland for Pedro villalobos	10/21/2020
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Pedro Villalobos, Chief State Water Project Analysis Office		Date Governor's Office of Planning & Research

Oct 22 2020

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