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SCH #: _____

Project Title: Empire West Side Irrigation District Transfer of SWP Table A Contract Amount from Tulare Lake Basin

Lead Agency: Empire West Side Irrigation District

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Project Location: Stratford, Kings County
City *County*

Project Description (Proposed actions, location, and/or consequences).

EWSID proposes to accept a permanent transfer of 617 acre-feet (AF) of State Water Project (SWP) Table A Contract amount from TLBWSD. Both EWSID and TLBWSD are agricultural water purveyors with water supply contracts with the California Department of Water Resources (DWR) for surface water supplies from the SWP. Ceil W Howe III, Erica J Howe, Ceil W Howe Jr., Geraldine M Howe, and Westlake Farms are landowners and have farming operations in TLBWSD, and have requested to permanently transfer the SWP Table A Contract amount associated with their lands in TLBWSD to a landowner and farming operation (Tachi Farms) in EWSID. The boards of directors of both districts have agreed to support the transfer of the SWP Table A Contract amount as requested by Westlake Farms

Identify the project's significant or potentially significant effects and briefly describe any proposed mitigation measures that would reduce or avoid that effect.

No siginificant impacts will result from the project.

If applicable, describe any of the project's areas of controversy known to the Lead Agency, including issues raised by agencies and the public.

Provide a list of the responsible or trustee agencies for the project.

Tulare Lake Basin Water Storage District
California Department of Water Resources