

STATE OF CALIFORNIA  
STATE WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD

In the Matter of Temporary Urgency )	ORDER: 85- 8
Change Order Regarding Permit 12721 )	
(Application 5626) and 13 other Permits) )	
U. S. BUREAU OF RECLAMATION, )	SOURCE: Various sources
Permittee )	COUNTIES: Alameda, Sacramento,
_____ )	Shasta, Trinity

ORDER VALIDATING ISSUANCE OF  
TEMPORARY URGENCY CHANGE ORDER

BY THE BOARD:

The U. S. Bureau of Reclamation (Bureau) having filed a petition for a temporary urgency change in point of diversion and point of rediversion pursuant to Chapter 6.6 (commencing with Section 1435), Part 2, Division 2 of the Water Code; the Board having consulted with the Department of Water Resources and the Department of Fish and Game; Board Member Finster having concluded from available information that the Bureau qualifies for a temporary urgency change and having issued a temporary urgency change order, subject to review and validation by the Board as provided by Water Code Section 1435; the Board finds as follows:

Substance of the Proposed Change

1. On August 30, 1985, the Bureau filed a petition for a temporary urgency change in the point of diversion and point of rediversion under the 14 water right permits specified in Table I below:

TABLE I  
WATER RIGHT PERMITS COVERED BY  
THE PETITION FOR TEMPORARY URGENCY CHANGE

<u>Application</u>	<u>Permit</u>
5626	12721
5628	11967
9363	12722
9364	12723
9368	12727
13370	11315
13371	11316
15374	11968
15375	11969
15764	12860
16767	11971
17374	11973
17376	12364
18115	13776

The petition requests that, in addition to the points of diversion and rediversion specified in the permits, the permittee be allowed to divert or redivert water temporarily under said permits at the California Aqueduct Intake for the Banks Pumping Plant at the following location:

California Coordinates, Zone 3, N486,035; E 1,695,057; within  
NW 1/4 of SE 1/4 of projected Section 20, T1S, R4E, MDB&M.

2. The petition for a temporary urgency change requests that the diversion and rediversion at the Banks Pumping Plant be authorized from September 1, 1985 or when approved by the Board to October 15, 1985 with the total amount diverted or rediverted not to exceed 12,800 acre-feet of water into storage in San Luis Reservoir.

#### Temporary Urgency Need

The urgent need to utilize facilities of the State Water Project is due to the fact that this year has been classified as a dry year under the Four-Basins Index. This fact along with certain unavoidable operational outages on the Federal facilities for transporting water to San Luis Reservoir, has resulted in the Federal portion of San Luis Reservoir storage to be the lowest since the 1977 drought and the 1981 slide on the San Luis Reservoir Dam. Normal Central Valley Project procedure is to maintain a minimum storage of 250,000 acre-feet on September 1 in the Federal portion of San Luis Reservoir storage. Use of the State's Banks Pumping Plant will allow the Federal project to place 12,800 acre-feet more water into storage in the San Luis Reservoir to aid in meeting this objective and the normal demands in the coming water year.

#### California Environmental Quality Act

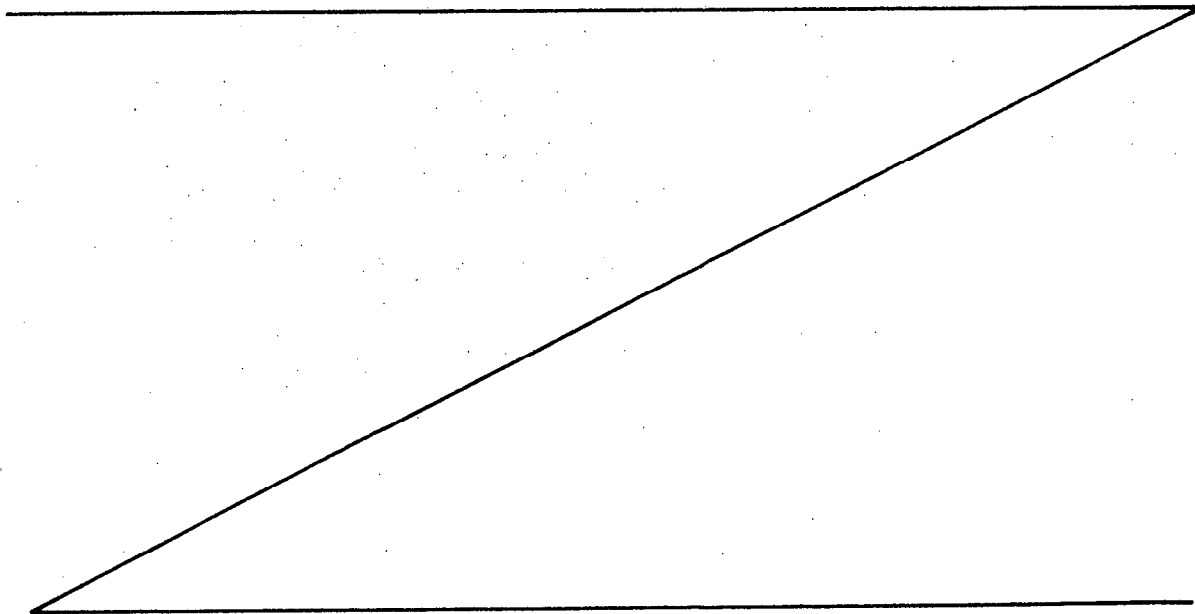
4. An environmental analysis has shown that the project consists of the operation of an existing public facility involving negligible or no expansion of use beyond that previously existing and that no significant environmental impacts will result.

Action by Board Member Finster

5. In accordance with the authorization of Water Code Section 1435, the Board has adopted Resolution 84-2 delegating authority to an individual Board member to approve temporary changes on projects where no detrimental effects are indicated. Water Section 1435(b) requires the Board, at its next regular meeting, to review and validate any change order issued by an employee.

6. In accordance with the delegation of authority in Resolution 84-2, Board Member Finster issued a change order allowing a temporary change in the point of diversion and point of rediversion, subject to several specified conditions.

7. The Board concurs with the findings of Board Member Finster as specified in the order dated September 19, 1985.



NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED that issuance of the order allowing a temporary urgency change in point of diversion and point of rediversion for the permits listed in Table 1 except Permits 12727 and 11973 which are for direct diversion of water only, is validated subject to the terms and conditions specified in the order.

#### CERTIFICATION

The undersigned, Executive Director of the State Water Resources Control Board, does hereby certify that the foregoing is a full, true, and correct copy of an order duly and regularly adopted at a meeting of the State Water Resources Control Board held on October 17, 1985.

Aye: Raymond V. Stone  
Darlene E. Ruiz  
E. H. Finster  
Eliseo M. Samaniego

No: None

Absent: None

Abstain: None

*Raymond Walsh*

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Raymond Walsh  
Interim Executive Director

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