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# State Water Resources Control Board

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### NOTICE OF PETITION FOR TEMPORARY URGENCY CHANGE FOR LICENSES 10191 AND 10192 OF CITY OF LOS ANGELES, DEPARTMENT OF WATER AND POWER

COUNTY: MONO

STREAM SYSTEM: RUSH CREEK

EFFECTIVE DATE: March 26, 2009

City of Los Angeles, Department of Water and Power, 111 N. Hope Street, Room 1468  
Los Angeles, CA 90051-0100, filed a petition with the State Water Resources Control Board  
(State Water Board) requesting approval of a Temporary Urgency Change to the subject  
licenses pursuant to California Water Code section 1435.

The petition requests the following:

- 1) Authorization to lower the required baseflow releases to Rush Creek by 14 cubic feet per second (cfs) (from 36 cfs to 22 cfs) during the period March 16 through May 15, 2009 to conserve water in Grant Lake for maintaining lower temperature flow releases for downstream fisheries.
- 2) Approval of change in Lee Vining Creek baseflow and ramping rates from required flows for the purpose of conducting an instream flow habitat mapping study. Under Schedule A, Lee Vining Creek baseflows would be as follows for the following dates in April and May 2009: April 30 – 12 cfs; May 1 – 20 cfs; May 2 – 28 cfs; May 3 and 4 – 37 cfs; and May 5 – 54 cfs. Under the alternative, Schedule B, Lee Vining Creek baseflows would be as follows for the following dates in April and May 2009: April 30 – 54 cfs; May 1 and 2 – 37 cfs; May 3 28 cfs; May 4 – 20 cfs; and May 5 – 12 cfs.

Required baseflow releases down Lee Vining Creek will resume on May 6. The ramping rates between each change in flow may be higher than the prescribed 20-percent daily change during ascending and 15-percent during descending limbs, or 10 cfs, whichever is greater depending on available diversion facility supply flow. The current required minimum instream flow for Lee Vining Creek is 40 cfs until March 31, 2009. After March 31, required flows are based on the runoff year forecast.

The requested changes under the petition will only apply to Lee Vining Creek and Rush Creek.

**Summary of Existing Licenses**

Sources:	(1) Lee Vining Creek, (2) Walker Creek, (3) Parker Creek, (4) Rush Creek
Points of Diversion:	(1) Within the NE ¼ of NW ¼ of Section 20, T1N, R26E; (2) Within the NW ¼ of NW ¼ of Section 4, T1S, R26E; (3) Within the SW ¼ of NW ¼ of Section 9, T1S, R26E; (4) Within the NW ¼ of NW ¼ of Section 15, T1S, R26E, all within MDB&M
Points of Rediversion:	Grant Lake, within the SW ¼ of NW ¼ of Section 15, T1S, R26E; Long Valley Reservoir, within the SE ¼ of NW ¼ of Section 19, T4S, R30E; Tinemaha Reservoir, within the NE ¼ of NW ¼ of Section 26, T10S, R34E; Los Angeles Aqueduct intake, within the NE ¼ of SW ¼, T11S, R34E; and Haiwee Reservoir, within the SW ¼ of NE ¼ of Section 2, T21S, R37E, all within MDB&M
Amount:	16,000 acre-feet per annum
Season:	January 1 through December 31
Purpose of Use:	Municipal and power use
Place of Use:	Within the service area of the Department of Water and Power, City of Los Angeles, as shown on map on file with the Division of Water Rights.

**Petition for Change**

Pursuant to California Water Code section 1438(a), the State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) may issue a temporary change order in advance of public notice. The State Water Board approved this Temporary Urgency Change on March 26, 2009 by Order WR 2009-0024.

Pursuant to California Water Code section 1438(d), any interested party may file an objection to the approval of this Order. **Objections must be received by the Division of Water Rights by 5:00 p.m. on April 30, 2009.** For more information regarding this project, including procedures for filing objections, please contact Greg Brown at (916) 323-1847 or by e-mail at [gbrown@waterboards.ca.gov](mailto:gbrown@waterboards.ca.gov).

Date of Notice: **April 9, 2009**