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Ms. Barbara Evoy, Deputy Director  
Division of Water Rights  
State Water Resources Control Board  
P.O. Box 2000  
Sacramento, CA 95812-2000

**Subject: South Sutter Water District's Petition for Change Involving Water Transfer under License 11118 (Application 14804)**

Dear Ms. Evoy:

On behalf of South Sutter Water District (District), enclosed are the following documents relative to a Petition for Change Involving Water Transfers under the District's License 11118 (Application 14804):

1. Petition for Change Involving Water Transfers Form with Attachment (original and one copy).
2. Environmental Information Form with Attachments (original and one copy).
3. Check in the amount of \$3,797 to cover the Petition fee.
4. Check in the amount of \$850 to cover the Department of Fish and Wildlife fee.

The purpose of this petition is to authorize the temporary transfer up to 6,000 acre-feet of water during approximately July through September 2015 from the District to the participating State Water Contractor (SWC) Agencies through the release of previously stored water. The intended use of this water is to provide additional water supplies for irrigation, municipal, industrial, and domestic uses within the SWC Agencies' service areas. The District's Petition and proposed 2015 Water Transfer are consistent with the Governor's State of Emergency Drought Proclamation dated January 17, 2014 and subsequent Proclamation of a Continued State of Emergency dated April 25, 2014, and Executive Order B-29-15 issued on April 1, 2015. Thus, as stated in the April 25, 2014 Proclamation, the 30-day comment period provided in Section 1726(f) of the Water Code is suspended and a 15-day comment period is to be provided for temporary water transfers under Water Code Section 1725, which includes this Petition. As you

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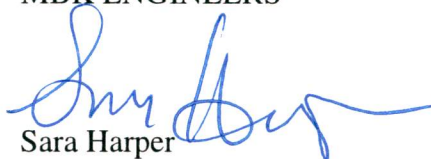
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are aware, time is of the essence to process this Petition for the implementation of the water transfer to the participating SWC Agencies; and we appreciate your attention to this Petition.

In accordance with Water Code Section 1725, copies of the Petition have been sent to the counties in which water is currently used and stored, and to the counties in which water is proposed to be used. In addition, copies of the Petition also have been transmitted to Lauren Mulloy of the California Department of Fish and Wildlife, Northern Central Region; Elizabeth Lee of the Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board; and Craig Trombly, Nancy Quan, and Chris Bonds of the California Department of Water Resources.

Please call either Marc Van Camp, Darren Cordova, or me at (916) 456-4400 if you have any questions.

Sincerely,  
MBK ENGINEERS



Sara Harper

SH/ak/nl

5025.15/BARBARA EVOY 2015-05-22

Enclosures

- cc: Mr. Brad Arnold, GM, SSWD (via e-mail)  
Mr. Kevin O'Brien, SSWD Counsel (via e-mail)  
Ms. Andrea Clark, SSWD Counsel (via e-mail)  
Lauren Mulloy, DFW (via certified mail)  
Elizabeth Lee, CRWQCB (via certified mail)  
Mr. Craig Trombly, DWR (via e-mail)  
Ms. Nancy Quan, DWR SWPAO (via e-mail)  
Mr. Chris Bonds, DWR (via e-mail)  
Board of Supervisors, County of Sutter (via certified mail)  
Board of Supervisors, County of Placer (via certified mail)  
Board of Supervisors, County of Yuba (via certified mail)  
Board of Supervisors, County of Nevada (via certified mail)  
Board of Supervisors, County of Stanislaus (via certified mail)  
Board of Supervisors, County of Kern (via certified mail)  
Board of Supervisors, County of Kings (via certified mail)  
Board of Supervisors, County of Los Angeles (via certified mail)  
Board of Supervisors, County of San Bernardino (via certified mail)  
Board of Supervisors, County of Riverside (via certified mail)  
Board of Supervisors, County of Orange (via certified mail)  
Board of Supervisors, County of San Diego (via certified mail)  
Board of Supervisors, County of Santa Barbara (via certified mail)  
Board of Supervisors, County of Santa Clara (via certified mail)  
Board of Supervisors, County of Ventura (via certified mail)

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Please indicate County where your project is located here:

See Attachment

MAIL FORM AND ATTACHMENTS TO: State Water Resources Control Board DIVISION OF WATER RIGHTS P.O. Box 2000, Sacramento, CA 95812-2000 Tel: (916) 341-5300 Fax: (916) 341-5400 http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/waterrights

PETITION FOR CHANGE INVOLVING WATER TRANSFERS

Separate petitions are required for each water right. Mark all areas that apply to your proposed change(s). Incomplete forms may not be accepted. Location and area information must be provided on maps in accordance with established requirements. (Cal. Code Regs., tit. 23, § 715 et seq.) Provide attachments if necessary.

- Point of Diversion, Point of Rediversion, Place of Use, Purpose of Use, Temporary Urgency, Temporary Change, Long-term Transfer, Instream Flow Dedication

Application 14804 Permit License 11118 Statement

I (we) hereby petition for change(s) noted above and described as follows:

Point of Diversion or Rediversion - Provide source name and identify points using both Public Land Survey System descriptions to 1/4-1/4 level and California Coordinate System (NAD 83).

Present: See Attachment No. 1 Proposed: See Attachment No. 1

Place of Use - Identify area using Public Land Survey System descriptions to 1/4-1/4 level; for irrigation, list number of acres irrigated.

Present: See Attachment No. 1 Proposed: See Attachment No. 1

Purpose of Use

Present: Irrigation, Domestic, and Incidental Power Proposed: See Attachment No. 1

Instream Flow Dedication - Provide source name and identify points using both Public Land Survey System descriptions to 1/4-1/4 level and California Coordinate System (NAD 83).

Upstream Location: Not applicable Downstream Location: Not applicable

Table with 12 columns for months (Jan-Dec) and rows for cubic feet per second and gallons per day.

Will the dedicated flow be diverted for consumptive use at a downstream location? Yes No If yes, provide the source name, location coordinates, and the quantities of flow that will be diverted from the stream.

Proposed New User(s) Provide the names, addresses, and phone numbers for all proposed new user(s) of the water right.

See Attachment No. 1

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**Amount of Water to be Transferred**

acre-feet will be transferred. If the basis of right is direct diversion, the average rate of diversion for the maximum 30-day period of use is  cubic feet per second or million gallons per day.

**General Information** – Provide the following information, if applicable to your proposed change(s).

Have you attached an analysis which documents that the amount of water to be transferred or exchanged would have been consumptively used or stored in the absence of the proposed temporary change or long-term transfer?  Yes  No

Have you attached an analysis of any changes to streamflow, water quality, timing of diversion or use, return flows, or effects on legal users from the proposed temporary change or long-term transfer?  Yes  No

Have you attached an analysis that shows the proposed temporary change or long-term transfer will not unreasonably affect fish, wildlife, or other instream beneficial uses?  Yes  No

I (we) have access to the proposed point of diversion or control the proposed place of use by virtue of:  
 ownership  lease  verbal agreement  written agreement

If by lease or agreement, state name and address of person(s) from whom access has been obtained.

Give name and address of any person(s) taking water from the stream between the present point of diversion or rediversion and the proposed point of diversion or rediversion, as well as any other person(s) known to you who may be affected by the proposed change.

**All Right Holders Must Sign Below:** I (we) declare under penalty of perjury that this involves only the amount of water which would have been consumptively used or stored in the absence of the proposed temporary change, and that the above is true and correct to the best of my (our) knowledge and belief.

Dated  at

  
Right Holder or Authorized Agent Signature

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Right Holder or Authorized Agent Signature

**NOTE: All petitions must be accompanied by:**  
(1) the form Environmental Information for Petitions, available at: [http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/waterrights/publications\\_forms/docs/pet\\_info.pdf](http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/waterrights/publications_forms/docs/pet_info.pdf)  
(2) Division of Water Rights fee, per the Water Rights Fee Schedule, available at: [http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/waterrights/water\\_issues/programs/fees/](http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/waterrights/water_issues/programs/fees/)  
(3) Department of Fish and Wildlife fee of \$850 (Pub. Resources Code, § 10005)

**Attachment No. 1  
to Petition for Change Involving Water Transfers  
to License 11118 (Application 14804)  
held by South Sutter Water District**

**PURPOSE OF PETITION**

The purpose of this Petition for Change Involving Water Transfers (Petition) is to; (1) add the State Water Project's (SWP) Harvey O. Banks Pumping Plant, SWP's Barker Slough Pumping Plant, and San Luis Reservoir as points of rediversion, (2) add a portion of the service area of the SWP as an additional place of use, and (3) add municipal and industrial as additional purposes of use under South Sutter Water District's (District) License 11118 (Application 14804). This petition is being filed to facilitate a temporary water transfer of up to 6,000 acre-feet (AF) of surface water from the District, which will be made available by reservoir release, to participating State Water Contractor (SWC) Agencies in order to provide an additional water supply for irrigation, municipal, industrial, and domestic purposes. The District proposes a reservoir release transfer of up to 6,000 AF from Camp Far West Reservoir (Reservoir) and Camp Far West Diversion Dam (Diversion Dam) under its License 11118. Absent the proposed temporary transfer, the District would have released the stored water for delivery to the District's service area or retained that water in storage. The proposed 2015 Water Transfer is consistent with the Governor's State of Emergency Drought Proclamation dated January 17, 2014, subsequent Proclamation of a Continued State of Emergency dated April 25, 2014, and Executive Order B-29-15 issued on April 1, 2015.

**POINT OF DIVERSION OR REDIVERSION**

**POINT OF DIVERSION**

***Present Point of Diversion:***

No change to the present point of diversion is proposed. The District's authorized point of diversion under License 11118 is listed below:

**Camp Far West Dam** - North 60° 30' West 4,450 feet from SE corner of Section 21, T14N, R6E, MDB&M, being within NE ¼ of SW ¼ of said Section 21 (California Coordinate System, Zone 2, N 504,600 and E 2,194,500);

**POINT OF REDIVERSION**

***Present Point of Rediversion:***

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No change to the present point of redirection is proposed. The District's authorized point of redirection under License 11118 is listed below:

**Camp Far West Diversion Dam** – South 400 feet and West 2,850 feet from the corner NE corner of Section 29, T14N, R6E, MDB&M., being within the NE  $\frac{1}{4}$  of NW  $\frac{1}{4}$  of said Section 29 (California Coordinate System, Zone 2, N 501,550 and E 2,189,600), as shown on the map filed with the Division of Water Rights (Division).

***Proposed Points of Rediversion:***

The District proposes to add the following points of redirection:

**Banks Pumping Plant via the Clifton Court Forebay**

N 2,126,440 ft., E 6,256,425 ft., California Coordinate System Zone 3, NAD 83, being within the NW  $\frac{1}{4}$  of SE  $\frac{1}{4}$  of Projected Section 20, T1S, R4E, MDB&M. This proposed additional point of diversion is identified on maps filed with the Division under Application 5630.

**Barker Slough Pumping Plant**

N 567,682, E 2,017,761, California Coordinate System Zone 2, within the NE  $\frac{1}{4}$  of SW  $\frac{1}{4}$  of Projected Section 18, T5N, R2E, MDB&M. This proposed additional point of diversion is identified on maps filed with the Division under Application 5630.

**San Luis Reservoir**

N 1,845,103 ft., E 6,393,569 ft., California Coordinate System Zone 3, NAD 83, being within the SW  $\frac{1}{4}$  of SE  $\frac{1}{4}$  of Projected Section 15, T10S, R8E, MDB&M. This proposed additional point of diversion is identified on maps filed with the Division under Application 5630.

**PLACE OF USE**

***Present:***

The present place of use is 59,000 net acres within a gross acreage of 65,796 acres, within the boundaries of the District; and Irrigation of a net acreage of 4,180 acres (including 102 acres located outside of District boundaries and served by contract) within Camp Far West Irrigation District (CFWID) and a power plant located on the Conveyance Canal within the NW  $\frac{1}{4}$  of SW  $\frac{1}{4}$  of Section 1, T13N, R5E, MDB&M, as shown on the map filed with the Division.

***Proposed:***

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No change in the present place of use is proposed. The District proposes to add a portion of the SWP service as an additional place of use in order to facilitate the temporary water transfer. This portion of the service area of the SWP is shown on Map 1878 – 1 thru 4 on file with the Division under Application 5630.

**PURPOSE OF USE**

***Present:***

The present purposes of use are irrigation, domestic, and incidental power.

***Proposed:***

No change in the present purposes of use is proposed. The District proposes to add municipal and industrial as purposes of use.

**PROPOSED NEW USERS**

The proposed new users will be water users within the following SWC Agencies listed below:

Central Coast Water Authority  
Ray Stokes  
255 Industrial Way  
Buellton, CA 93427-9565

County of Kings  
c/o Jacob Westra  
1001 Chase Avenue  
Corcoran, CA 93212

Dudley Ridge Water District  
c/o Rick Besecker  
Provost & Pritchard Engineering Group, Inc.  
286 W. Cromwell Avenue  
Fresno, CA 93711-6162

Kern County Water Agency  
Lara Kimm  
P. O. Box 58  
Bakersfield, CA 93302

Metropolitan Water District of Southern  
California  
Steve Hirsch  
1121 L. Street, Suite 900  
Sacramento, CA 95814-3974

Napa County Flood Control and Water  
Conservation District  
Phillip M. Miller, PE  
804 First St.  
Napa, CA 94559-2623

Oak Flat Water District  
Anthea Hansen  
P.O. Box 1596  
Patterson, CA 95363

Palmdale Water District  
Jon Pernula  
2029 East Avenue Q  
Palmdale, CA 93550

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Santa Clara Valley Water District  
Francis Brewster  
5750 Almaden Expressway  
San Jose, CA 95118

**GENERAL INFORMATION**

The District's Reservoir and facilities (i.e., Diversion Dam, canals, service area, etc.) are located within Yuba, Nevada, Placer and Sutter counties. The District proposes to transfer up to 6,000 AF of surface water between approximately July 1, 2015 and September 30, 2015 through reservoir release. The Reservoir fills and spills in most years of operation. Releases made at the Reservoir flow downstream to the Diversion Dam, where water is diverted to CFWID, the fish flow bypass release structure and the District's main canal for deliveries within the District's service area. Except at times when the Reservoir is spilling, Camp Far West Dam (Dam) controls flows in the Bear River. Under normal operations, the District releases from the Reservoir only the quantity of water required to meet the fish bypass flow requirement, their obligation to CFWID, deliveries within the District's service area, and any releases required under its Bay-Delta Settlement Agreement (Settlement Agreement) with the Department of Water Resources and CFWID. Under historical operational conditions and absent a water transfer, all water not utilized for meeting the in-stream fish flow requirement and obligations to CFWID, would have been diverted to the District's main canal for delivery to its service area. Therefore; absent the proposed transfer, all water proposed to be transferred would be delivered for use within the District's service area. If circumstances occur such that water was not delivered through the District's main canal in absence of a water transfer, the water would be retained in storage.

The proposed temporary transfer will not result in a shift in timing of releases from the Reservoir. Absent the transfer, the District would release the transfer quantity of up to 6,000 AF from the Reservoir for diversion into the main canal during the months of July, August and September for consumptive uses within the District. Thus, the timing and quantity of stored water released from the Reservoir would be the same as compared with the conditions absent the proposed temporary transfer. However, the proposed transfer will result in an increase in stream flow in the Bear River below the Diversion Dam during the proposed transfer period from approximately July 1 through September 30.

The water released for the proposed transfer will be in addition to the required fish bypass flow and any releases required under the District's Settlement Agreement. Therefore, the flow in the channel between the Diversion Dam and the proposed points of rediversion will be higher during the transfer period than would occur absent the proposed transfer. The release pattern for the proposed temporary transfer quantity will be coordinated with the Department of Fish and Wildlife (DFW), and fisheries biologists to minimize fishery concerns within the Bear River.



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Each year, landowners receive supplemental surface water supplies as a result of the District's Reservoir releases. Irrigation requirements above the supplemental surface water supply provided by the District are met through groundwater pumping within the District. The quantity of supplemental surface water supplied to landowners varies from year to year based on hydrologic and other factors. The quantity of supplemental surface water to be delivered to District landowners in 2015, assuming the proposed transfer, will be within historical levels. Landowners within the District will not alter their cropping patterns as a result of the proposed transfer. The District operates its outflow structures to maintain surface water levels within delivery and drainage channels to facilitate deliveries upstream for use by its growers. The outflow structures during the 2015 proposed temporary transfer will be operated to maintain water levels at their historical levels. Therefore, because there will be no change in landowner or District operations, and there will be no change in the timing, quality, or quantity of tailwater as a result of the transfer.

As previously identified, the releases made pursuant to the proposed temporary transfer will not reduce the water supply available to other users. In addition, according to the Division's eWRIMS website database, no active authorized points of diversion exist along the Bear River from the Diversion Dam to the confluence with the Feather River.

As further identified in the attached Environmental Information Form for Petitions, accompanying this Petition, the information below identifies that the proposed water transfer will not adversely affect fish, wildlife, or other instream beneficial uses. The principal concern of effects on instream beneficial uses resulting from the proposed water transfer relate to the potential for deleterious artificial attraction of fish species of concern into the lower Bear River. Possible effects on wildlife and other beneficial uses resulting from the proposed transfer are considered negligible or positive due to increased water available for wildlife and riparian habitats. Under present conditions, the lower Bear River does not provide suitable habitats for anadromous fish known to occur elsewhere in the Feather River system: fall-run Chinook salmon, spring-run Chinook salmon, steelhead trout, and green sturgeon. The latter three species are listed by the federal government as threatened species under the Endangered Species Act. Reproduction of the salmonid species in the lower Bear River is limited by silted spawning gravels, high winter flood flows, and high water temperatures (SWRCB Order WR 2000-10). Additionally, habitats are unsuitable for green sturgeon due to the lack of deep pools and cool water necessary for reproduction.

Because the proposed transfer would increase instream flows in the lower Bear River, there is the potential for these fish species to be artificially attracted from the Feather River into the Bear River where habitats are hostile and fish production would be poor compared to those fish remaining in the Feather River. This potential circumstance is dependent on the timing of the increased flows relative to the seasonal presence of the fish species of concern. The analyses of potential effects on fish included an examination of the life cycle periodicity of anadromous fish in the Feather River system, the magnitude and timing of the instream flows in the lower Bear River resulting from the proposed transfer, the timing and magnitude of Feather River

flows during the proposed transfer, and physical habitat conditions for anadromous fish in the lower Bear River.

The timing of the proposed transfer would be during July, August, and September. This period avoids the primary life cycle timing of the upstream migration and reproduction of anadromous fish in the Feather River. Upstream migration and spawning of steelhead and fall-run Chinook salmon occur during the fall and winter. Upstream migration of spring-run Chinook primarily occurs during the spring, and to a lesser extent, the early fall with reproduction occurring during the early fall. Green sturgeon upstream migration occurs during the winter and spring with reproduction occurring during the spring. The proposed water transfer period avoids adverse impacts to these species by timing the increased instream flows when the fish are not seasonally present.

Because the proposed transfer would occur during July, August, and September, water temperature data during this period within the Reservoir and the river downstream of the Dam were examined to determine suitability for anadromous fish. Prior studies conducted for the District demonstrated that the water temperatures in front of the Dam at both the power outlet and the low-water outlet during the summer and early fall exceed the range for successful salmonid reproduction. Additionally, water temperatures recorded downstream of the Dam at the District's diversion facility showed that water temperatures do not cool to tolerable levels for salmon spawning until mid- to late-November. These circumstances are attributable to the fact that the Reservoir is a relatively low-elevation impoundment and subject to high summer water temperatures and intense solar radiation. Prior studies demonstrated that a shift in water layers in the reservoir does not occur until the late fall/early winter as early, cooler water runoff enters the reservoir. Therefore, increased reservoir releases during July, August, and September resulting from the proposed water transfer would not be expected to lower water temperatures in the lower Bear River to a tolerable range for anadromous fish and, therefore, would not attract fish into the river if the fish were present during that period. Additionally, juvenile anadromous fish would not be expected to be present during July, August, and September due to unsuitably high water temperatures and lack of or inferior physical rearing habitats, a condition attributable to a river channel formed by very high and frequent winter-time scouring flows.

Based on the above, the proposed releases for the water transfer during July, August, and September would not adversely impact fishery resources because the fish species of concern are not seasonally present, and the combination of low proportional contribution to the Feather River flows and unsuitably warm water temperatures would be unlikely to inadvertently attract fish into the Bear River if the fish were present.

See files of the State Water Resources Control Board for more information regarding other legal water users, which may include the Delta water users, the CVP, the SWP, and the Cities of Sacramento and West Sacramento. The Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board (CVRWQCB) was contacted in order to discuss the proposed temporary water transfer; and no comments were provided at this time. DFW was contacted in order to discuss the proposed

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temporary water transfer; and no comments were provided at this time. Copies of this petition have been provided for review and comment to Lauren Mulloy (916-358-2909) of DFW and Elizabeth Lee (916-464-4787) of the CVRWQCB.

## ENVIRONMENTAL INFORMATION FOR PETITIONS

This form is required for all petitions.

Before the State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) can approve a petition, the State Water Board must consider the information contained in an environmental document prepared in compliance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). This form is not a CEQA document. If a CEQA document has not yet been prepared, a determination must be made of who is responsible for its preparation. As the petitioner, you are responsible for all costs associated with the environmental evaluation and preparation of the required CEQA documents. Please answer the following questions to the best of your ability and submit any studies that have been conducted regarding the environmental evaluation of your project. If you need more space to completely answer the questions, please number and attach additional sheets.

### DESCRIPTION OF PROPOSED CHANGES OR WORK REMAINING TO BE COMPLETED

For a petition for change, provide a description of the proposed changes to your project including, but not limited to, type of construction activity, structures existing or to be built, area to be graded or excavated, increase in water diversion and use (up to the amount authorized by the permit), changes in land use, and project operational changes, including changes in how the water will be used. For a petition for extension of time, provide a description of what work has been completed and what remains to be done. Include in your description any of the above elements that will occur during the requested extension period.

See Attachment No. 1

Insert the attachment number here, if applicable:

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**Coordination with Regional Water Quality Control Board**

For change petitions only, you must request consultation with the Regional Water Quality Control Board regarding the potential effects of your proposed change on water quality and other instream beneficial uses. (Cal. Code Regs., tit. 23, § 794.) In order to determine the appropriate office for consultation, see: [http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/waterboards\\_map.shtml](http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/waterboards_map.shtml). Provide the date you submitted your request for consultation here, then provide the following information.

Date of Request

Will your project, during construction or operation, (1) generate waste or wastewater containing such things as sewage, industrial chemicals, metals, or agricultural chemicals, or (2) cause erosion, turbidity or sedimentation?

Yes  No

Will a waste discharge permit be required for the project?

Yes  No

If necessary, provide additional information below:

Elizabeth Lee (916-464-4787) of the Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board was contacted in order to discuss the proposed temporary water transfer; and no comments were provided at this time. A copy of this petition has been provided to Ms. Lee concurrently with the submittal of this petition to the Division of Water Rights.

Insert the attachment number here, if applicable:

**Local Permits**

For temporary transfers only, you must contact the board of supervisors for the county(ies) both for where you currently store or use water and where you propose to transfer the water. (Wat. Code § 1726.) Provide the date you submitted your request for consultation here.

Date of Contact

For change petitions only, you should contact your local planning or public works department and provide the information below.

Person Contacted:

Date of Contact:

Department:

Phone Number:

County Zoning Designation:

Are any county permits required for your project? If yes, indicate type below.  Yes  No

- Grading Permit       Use Permit       Watercourse       Obstruction Permit
- Change of Zoning       General Plan Change       Other (explain below)

If applicable, have you obtained any of the permits listed above? If yes, provide copies.  Yes  No

If necessary, provide additional information below:

Insert the attachment number here, if applicable:

**Federal and State Permits**

Check any additional agencies that may require permits or other approvals for your project:

- Regional Water Quality Control Board     Department of Fish and Game
- Dept of Water Resources, Division of Safety of Dams     California Coastal Commission
- State Reclamation Board     U.S. Army Corps of Engineers     U.S. Forest Service
- Bureau of Land Management     Federal Energy Regulatory Commission
- Natural Resources Conservation Service

Have you obtained any of the permits listed above? If yes, provide copies.     Yes     No

For each agency from which a permit is required, provide the following information:

Agency	Permit Type	Person(s) Contacted	Contact Date	Phone Number
Not Applicable				

If necessary, provide additional information below:

Not Applicable

Insert the attachment number here, if applicable:

**Construction or Grading Activity**

Does the project involve any construction or grading-related activity that has significantly altered or would significantly alter the bed, bank or riparian habitat of any stream or lake?     Yes     No

If necessary, provide additional information below:

Not Applicable

Insert the attachment number here, if applicable:

**Archeology**

Has an archeological report been prepared for this project? If yes, provide a copy.  Yes  No

Will another public agency be preparing an archeological report?  Yes  No

Do you know of any archeological or historic sites in the area? If yes, explain below.  Yes  No

If necessary, provide additional information below:

Not Applicable

Insert the attachment number here, if applicable:

**Photographs** See Attachment No. 1

For all petitions other than time extensions, attach complete sets of color photographs, clearly dated and labeled, showing the vegetation that exists at the following three locations:

- Along the stream channel immediately downstream from each point of diversion
- Along the stream channel immediately upstream from each point of diversion
- At the place where water subject to this water right will be used

**Maps**

For all petitions other than time extensions, attach maps labeled in accordance with the regulations showing all applicable features, both present and proposed, including but not limited to: point of diversion, point of diversion, distribution of storage reservoirs, point of discharge of treated wastewater, place of use, and location of instream flow dedication reach. (Cal. Code Regs., tit. 23, §§ 715 et seq., 794.)

Pursuant to California Code of Regulations, title 23, section 794, petitions for change submitted without maps may not be accepted.

**All Water Right Holders Must Sign This Form:**

I (we) hereby certify that the statements I (we) have furnished above and in the attachments are complete to the best of my (our) ability and that the facts, statements, and information presented are true and correct to the best of my (our) knowledge. Dated 5/22/2015 at MBK Engineers.

  
Water Right Holder or Authorized Agent Signature

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Water Right Holder or Authorized Agent Signature

**NOTE:**

- **Petitions for Change** may not be accepted unless you include proof that a copy of the petition was served on the Department of Fish and Game. (Cal. Code Regs., tit. 23, § 794.)
- **Petitions for Temporary Transfer** may not be accepted unless you include proof that a copy of the petition was served on the Department of Fish and Game and the board of supervisors for the county(ies) where you currently store or use water and the county(ies) where you propose to transfer the water. (Wat. Code § 1726.)

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**to License 11118 (Application 14804)**  
**held by South Sutter Water District**

DESCRIPTION OF PROPOSED CHANGES

South Sutter Water District (District) is proposing a transfer of up to 6,000 acre-feet (AF) of previously stored water to participating State Water Contractor (SWC) Agencies. Under the proposed transfer, up to 6,000 AF of previously stored water would be released from Camp Far West Reservoir (Reservoir) and the Camp Far West Diversion Dam (Diversion Dam). This water would flow downstream in the Bear River, thence the Feather River, thence the Sacramento River to the Delta where it would be rediverted at the State Water Project's Banks Pumping Plant, Barker Slough Pumping Plant, and/or San Luis Reservoir for use within the service area of the participating SWC Agencies. In absence of the proposed transfer, this water would be delivered to District landowners or retained in storage. The proposed temporary transfer does not involve any construction or other physical changes to District facilities.

Petitions for temporary transfer of water pursuant to Water Code Section 1725 are exempt from CEQA. In addition, the Governor's Proclamation of a Continued State of Emergency dated April 25, 2014 and Executive Order B-29-15 issued on April 1, 2015 suspends environmental review required by CEQA to allow water transfers to be expedited. The U.S. Bureau of Reclamation (Reclamation) and San Luis & Delta-Mendota Water Authority (Authority) have prepared an Environmental Impact Statement/Environmental Impact Report (EIS/EIR) regarding Long-Term Water Transfers for the period of 2015 through 2024, pursuant to the requirements under the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) and CEQA. Although the EIS/EIR did not attempt to address the District's proposed 2015 Water Transfer to the SWC Agencies directly, the EIS/EIR includes a water transfer from the District to the Authority. A copy of the Final EIS/EIR is available at:  
<[http://www.usbr.gov/mp/nepa/nepa\\_projdetails.cfm?Project\\_ID=18361](http://www.usbr.gov/mp/nepa/nepa_projdetails.cfm?Project_ID=18361)>.

PHOTOGRAPHS

The present and proposed points of diversion include existing facilities that are well known and documented with the Division of Water Rights (Division). In addition, the present and proposed places of use are also well known and documented with the Division. Therefore, for these reasons, photographs of the present and proposed points of diversion and places of use are not included.



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Petitions for Change Involving Water Transfers

MAPS

The present point of diversion, points of rediversion, and place of use are shown on a map filed with the Division for License 11118. The proposed additional points of rediversion for the SWP's Harvey O. Banks Pumping Plant, SWP's Barker Slough Pumping Plant, and San Luis Reservoir are shown on maps filed with the Division for Application 5630. The proposed additional place of use is a portion of the SWP service area, as shown on Map 1878 -1 thru 4 on file with the Division under Application 5630.