



State Water Resources Control Board

NOTICE OF ADDITIONAL STATUS CONFERENCE

The State Water Resources Control Board
Administrative Hearings Office
will hold a status conference on
the petitions for partial assignment of State-Filed Applications 12919 and 12920
and
Water-Right Applications 12919C and 12920B of

**Mendocino County Russian River Flood Control and Water Conservation
Improvement District.**

**The status conference will begin on
January 30, 2023, at 1:00 p.m.**

and will be held by Zoom teleconference.

This status conference is in addition to the status conference currently scheduled for
March 21, 2023, at 1:00 p.m.

You may participate in the Zoom teleconference by using the link:

<https://waterboards.zoom.us/j/92710898515?pwd=OFhVNSsxbG5wSW5GaVdWeVpFdE5BQT09> with Meeting ID: 927 1089 8515 and Passcode: 531454

or by calling in at:

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Interested members of the public who would like to watch this hearing without participating may do so through the Administrative Hearings Office YouTube channel, accessible by clicking on “Watch AHO Hearings” at:

https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/water_issues/programs/administrative_hearings_office/

BACKGROUND

On August 20, 2021, the Administrative Hearings Office (AHO) of the State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board or Board) issued a Notice of Status Conference regarding the petitions for partial assignment of State-Filed Applications 12919 and 12920 and water-right Applications 12919C and 12920B of Mendocino County Russian River Flood Control and Water Conservation Improvement District

E. JOAQUIN ESQUIVEL, CHAIR | EILEEN SOBECK, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

(Mendocino District). Additional background information about Mendocino District's petitions for partial assignment and application for a permit to appropriate water is included in the August 20 notice.

The AHO held status conferences in this matter on November 2, 2021; February 15, 2022; August 19, 2022; and December 20, 2022.

The hearing officer's October 31, 2022, procedural ruling set the following deadlines for Mendocino District and protestants:

December 2, 2022, at 12 p.m.: Mendocino District shall submit a revised preliminary water availability analysis for the petitions for partial assignment of state-filed Applications 12929 and 12920 and water-right Applications 12919C and 12920B to the AHO, with a copy to the service list.

January 15, 2023, at 12 p.m.: Protestants shall submit in writing to the Mendocino District and the AHO, with a copy to the service list, any objections to or comments on the revised preliminary water availability analysis submitted by the Mendocino District.

March 15, 2023, at 12 p.m.: Mendocino District shall submit to the Division and the AHO, with a copy to the service list, any amendments to the petitions for partial assignment of state-filed Applications 12919 and 12920 or water-right Applications 12919C and 12920B.

April 15, 2023, at 12 p.m.: Mendocino District shall publicly release and submit to the AHO a Notice of Intent or Notice of Preparation for a CEQA document for the petitions for partial assignment of state-filed Applications 12919 and 12920 or water-right Applications 12919C and 12920B, with a copy to the service list.

Because the Mendocino District has not yet submitted a revised preliminary water availability analysis for the petitions for partial assignment of state-filed Applications 12929 and 12920 and water-right Applications 12919C and 12920B to the AHO, the hearing officer **vacates** the **January 15, 2023** deadline for protestants to submit objections or comments on the revised preliminary water availability analysis.

JANUARY 30, 2023 STATUS CONFERENCE

The AHO hearing officer will hold a status conference on **January 30, 2023, at 1 p.m.** by Zoom teleconference, in addition to the status conference to be held on **March 21, 2022, at 1 p.m.** No in-person appearances will be allowed. The status conference will be held and electronically recorded by Zoom teleconference. The AHO will not retain a court reporter for the status conference. Any party may arrange for a court reporter at the party's own expense.

During the status conference, the AHO hearing officer will ask Mendocino District to provide an update on its progress since the December 20 status conference. The hearing officer will also consider when to re-set the deadline for protestants to submit

objections or comments on Mendocino District's revised preliminary water availability analysis.

Parties are not required to file status conference statements. If any party wants to file a status conference statement, then the party shall file the status conference statement with the AHO, and serve copies of it on the other parties listed in the attached service list.

Date: January 4, 2023

/s/ Nicole L. Kuenzi
Nicole Kuenzi, Hearing Officer

Attachments:
- Service List

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