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## State Water Resources Control Board

### Notice of Water Right Application A033508

The City of Monterey has filed an application to appropriate water by permit with the State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board), Division of Water Rights. The project associated with the application is located in Monterey County and would divert water from the Lake El Estero stream system.

#### Summary of Water Right Application A033508

**Date of Filing:** The application was filed with the State Water Board on July 18, 2025.

**Source of Water:** The source of water is Lake El Estero, which is tributary to the Pacific Ocean.

**Diversion Method and Amount:** Water will be diverted to underground storage in the Seaside Groundwater Basin and will be limited to 500 acre-feet per year at a rate not to exceed 8.24 cubic feet per second.

**Season of Diversion:** The season for diversion of water to storage is January 1 to December 31 of each year.

**Points of Diversion:** The point where water will be diverted is located at North 2,114,106 feet and East 5,715,164 feet by California Coordinate System, Zone 4, North American Datum 1983, within the Northeast quarter of the Northwest quarter of Section 29, Township 15 South, Range 1 East, Mount Diablo Base and Meridian.

**Purpose of Use:** The purpose of use for water is municipal.

**Place of Use:** The place of use for water is the Monterey District Service Area of California American Water, which totals 33,950 acres and includes the cities of Monterey, Pacific Grove, Del Rey Oaks and Carmel by the Sea, and portions of the City of Seaside and unincorporated Monterey County.

#### Application Documents

Documentation related to applications was previously available through the State Water Board's electronic Water Rights Information Management System (eWRIMS) database, but that system is currently unavailable. For access to the application documents, please contact Monica Vazquez at [Monica.Vazquez@waterboards.ca.gov](mailto:Monica.Vazquez@waterboards.ca.gov) or (916) 319-0613 (email is the preferred means of communication).

## Procedure for Filing Protests

Pursuant to Water Code section 1330, any interested person may file a protest against the approval of the subject application. Protests should be submitted via email to the staff contact listed below but may also be submitted via regular mail or hand delivered. If protests are sent by mail or hand delivered, please provide a courtesy email to the staff contact listed below. For hand delivery, please contact the State Water Board's Water Rights Records Room at [dwr@waterboards.ca.gov](mailto:dwr@waterboards.ca.gov) or (916) 341-5300 to make an appointment. Protests must be received by the Division of Water Rights or postmarked by **October 24, 2025**, with copy provided to the applicant. The State Water Board may, for good cause shown, allow additional time to file a protest. For more information regarding protests, please refer to the following web page:

[https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/waterrights/water\\_issues/programs/applications/docs/protests.pdf](https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/waterrights/water_issues/programs/applications/docs/protests.pdf)

## Contact Information

Please direct all requests and inquiries regarding this notice to Monica Vazquez at [Monica.Vazquez@waterboards.ca.gov](mailto:Monica.Vazquez@waterboards.ca.gov) or (916) 319-0613 (email is the preferred means of communication). Correspondence sent by mail should be addressed to:

State Water Resources Control Board, Division of Water Rights,  
Attn: Monica Vazquez, P.O. Box 2000, Sacramento, CA 95812-2000

All written correspondence directed to the applicant should be addressed to:

City of Monterey, Attn: Kevin Anderson,  
580 Pacific St Rm 7, Monterey, CA, 93940-2806

**Date of Notice:** The date that this public notice was issued is August 25, 2025.