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Mr. Erik Ekdahl, Deputy Director Division of Water Rights State Water Resources Control Board P.O. Box 2000 Sacramento, CA 95812-2000

#### Subject: Conaway Preservation Group Petition for Change Involving Water Transfer under License 904B (Application 1199B)

Dear Mr. Ekdahl:

MARC VAN CAMP, P.E.

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LEE G. BERGFELD, P.E. BEN TUSTISON, P.E. THOMAS ENGLER, P.E., CFM MICHAEL MONCRIEF, P.E. NICOLE ORTEGA-JEWELL, PMP

Don Trieu, P.E. Darren Cordova, P.E. Nathan Hershey, P.E., P.L.S.

WALTER BOUREZ, III, P.E.

On behalf of Conaway Preservation Group (CPG), enclosed are the following documents relative to a Petition for Change Involving Water Transfer (Petitions) under CPG's License 904B (Application 1199B):

- 1. Petition for Change Involving Water Transfers Form with an Attachment (one original and one copy).
- 2. Environmental Information Form with an Attachment (one original and one copy).
- 3. Check in the amount of \$7,039 to cover the Petition fees which is based on a total quantity proposed to be made available for transfer, up to 10,088 acre-feet (AF).
- 4. Check in the amount of \$850 to cover the fee for the Department of Fish and Wildlife.

CPG is petitioning to temporarily add points of diversion, points of rediversion, place of use, and purposes of use to its License 904B in order to transfer up to a total of 10,088 AF for use by participating entities within the San Luis & Delta-Mendota Water Authority (SLDMWA). CPG proposes to make surface water available for transfer through crop idling/shifting. As you are aware, time is of the essence to process this Petition for the implementation of the water transfer to the SLDMWA; and we appreciate your attention to this temporary transfer Petition.

Please call if you have any questions or require additional information.

Sincerely, MBK ENGINEERS

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#### 2441.22/Letter to Erik Ekdahl for CPG 2021 WT 1199B\_02.17.2022 Enclosures

Mike Hall, Conaway Preservation Group (via e-mail) cc: Andrew Hitchings, Somach, Simmons & Dunn (via e-mail) Samuel Boland-Brien, Division of Water Rights (via e-mail) Anna Fock, Department of Water Resources (via e-mail) Andy Chu, Department of Water Resources (via e-mail) Adam Nickels, U.S. Bureau of Reclamation (via e-mail) Natalie Taylor, U.S. Bureau of Reclamation (via e-mail) Michelle Snapp, CVRWQCB (via e-mail) Bridget Gibbons, Department of Fish and Wildlife (via e-mail) Briana Seapy, Department of Fish and Wildlife (via e-mail) Board of Supervisors, County of Yolo (via certified mail) Board of Supervisors, County of Fresno (via certified mail) Board of Supervisors, County of Kings (via certified mail) Board of Supervisors, County of Merced (via certified mail) Board of Supervisors, County of San Joaquin (via certified mail) Board of Supervisors, County of San Benito (via certified mail) Board of Supervisors, County of Santa Clara (via certified mail) Board of Supervisors, County of Stanislaus (via certified mail)

Please indicate County where your project is located here:

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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

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# 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.

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	Temporary Urgency Wat. Code, § 1435Temporary Change Wat. Code, § 1725Long-term Transfer Wat. Code, §§ 382, 1735Instream Flow Dedication Wat. Code, § 1707									
Арр	lication 11	199B	Permit	614B	License	90	4B	Statement		
I (we) here	by petition for ch	nange(s) note	d above and o	described	as follows	:				
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Present:	See Attachment No. 1									
Proposed:	See Attachment No. 1									
Place of U	<b>se</b> – Identify area	using Public L	and Survey Sy	stem descr	iptions to 1/	4-1/4 level;	for irrigatio	n, list numb	er of acres	irrigated.
Present:	See Attachment No. 1									
Proposed:	See Attachment No. 1	I								
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San Luis & Dal	ta Mendota Mater Auth	acrity								

San Luis & Delta-Mendota Water Autr Attn: Frances Mizuno P.O. Box 2157 Los Banos, CA 93635 (209) 832-6200

RECEIVED CHL#18467 \$ 850.00 2/18/22 D CHL#18469 \$ 7,039.00 MJ

#### Amount of Water to be Transferred

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Upto 10088 acre-feet will be transferred. If the basis of right is direct diversion, the av maximum 30-day period of use is Up to 40 cubic feet per second or mil		
General Information - Provide the following information, if applicable to your proposed of	hange(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?	<b>⊙</b> Yes	O 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	O 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?	⊙ <sup>Yes</sup>	O No
I (we) have access to the proposed point of diversion or control the proposed place of use ownership lease verbal agreement		of: agreement
If by lease or agreement, state name and address of person(s) from whom access has be	en obtain	ed.
Not Applicable		
Give name and address of any person(s) taking water from the stream between the prese rediversion and the proposed point of diversion or rediversion, as well as any other person affected by the proposed change.		
See Attachment No. 1		
All Right Holders Must Sign Below: I (we) declare under penalty of perjury that this invo which would have been consumptively used or stored in the absence of the proposed tem above is true and correct to the best of my (our) knowledge and belief.		
Dated 2/15/22 at WODDLAND, CA 95776		
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Right Holder or Authorized Agent Signature Right Holder or Authorized	Agent Si	gnature
NOTE: All petitions must be accompanied by: (1) the form Environmental Information for Petitions, available at: http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/waterrights/publications_forms/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/
(3) Department of Fish and Wildlife fee of \$850 (Pub. Resources Code, § 10005)

## Attachment No. 1 to Petition for Change Involving Water Transfers License 904B (Application 1199B) Held by Conaway Preservation Group

#### **GENERAL**

The purpose of this Petition for Change Involving Water Transfers (Petition) is to: (1) add Shasta Dam as a point of diversion, (2) add the State Water Project's (SWP) Harvey O. Banks Pumping Plant and the Central Valley Project's (CVP) CW "Bill" Jones Pumping Plant as points of diversion and points of rediversion, (3) add San Luis Reservoir as a point of rediversion, (4) add a portion of the service area of the CVP as an additional place of use, and (5) add municipal, industrial, and domestic purposes of use under Conaway Preservation Group's (Company) License 904B (Application 1199B). This Petition is being filed to facilitate a temporary transfer (2022 Water Transfer) of up to a total of 10.088 acre-feet (AF) of surface water proposed to be made available from the Company during May through September 2022. This proposed transfer quantity will be made available by crop idling/shifting, for use by participating entities within the San Luis & Delta-Mendota Water Authority (SLDMWA) in order to provide an additional water supply for irrigation, municipal, industrial, and domestic purposes. The quantity of surface water to be made available for transfer by crop idling/shifting involves only the consumptive use savings as a result of actions within the Company's boundaries. Water made available for transfer will remain instream for diversion at the proposed additional points of diversion, or when necessary, temporarily retained in Shasta Reservoir for rediversion at the proposed additional points of rediversion. Absent the proposed temporary transfer, the Company would divert the entire quantity of surface water proposed for transfer from the Sacramento River pursuant to its water right and in accordance with its Sacramento River Settlement Contract with the U.S. Bureau of Reclamation (Reclamation). Annual water right reports submitted to the Division of Water Rights (Division) for License 904B, covering the period of 2016-2020 which are years of full water supply under the Settlement Contract, demonstrate that the Company typically diverts and uses more surface water under that license than the amount proposed for the 2022 Water Transfer. The Company accounts for its surface water diversions and use under its water rights, including License 904B, in accordance with accounting methods relied upon by the Division considering several factors associated with each water right. Those factors include, but are not limited to, water right priorities, seasons of diversion, direct diversion rates, places of use, points of diversion, annual diversion limitations, and other relevant terms and conditions associated with each of the Company's water rights. For example, diversions are accounted in order of water right priority starting with the senior water right that has the same authorized diversion season as when the diversion occurred, and identifying a diversion quantity that is the lesser of the diversion or the authorized rate of direct diversion. In the case that the diversion rate is greater than the authorized direct diversion rate, then the diversions over the authorized rate are accounted for under the water right with the next priority date using the same methodology. Collectively, the diversions reported under the Company's water rights are equal to the quantities diverted by the Company.

## POINT OF DIVERSION OR REDIVERSION

## POINT OF DIVERSION

## Present Points of Diversion:

By California Coordinate System of 1983, Zone 2, North 2,008,200 feet and East 6,667,300 feet, being within NE¼ of NW¼ of projected Section 34, T10N, R3E, MDB&M.

#### **Proposed Additional Points of Diversion:**

No change in the present points of diversion is proposed. The Company proposes to add the following points of diversion:

#### Shasta Dam

S39°58'13" W, 1,626.41 feet from E<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> Corner of Section 15, T33N, R5W, MDB&M, being within the NE<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> of SE<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> of said Section 15, in Shasta County. This proposed additional point of diversion is identified on maps filed with the Division under Application 5626.

#### 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 ¼ of SE ¼ 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.

## **CW "Bill" Jones Pumping Plant**

N 2,121,505 ft., E 6,255,368 ft., California Coordinate System Zone 3, NAD 83, being within the NE ¼ of SW ¼ of Projected Section 29, T1S, R4E, MDB&M. This proposed additional point of diversion is identified on maps filed with the Division under Application 5626.

## **POINT OF REDIVERSION**

## Proposed Additional Point of Rediversion:

The Company proposes to add the following point of rediversion, which will assist in the temporary retention of transfer water for later use by the participating entities within SLDMWA during periods that coincide with demands or other operational constraints:

### 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 ¼ of SE ¼ of Projected Section 20, T1S, R4E, MDB&M. This proposed additional point of rediversion is identified on maps filed with the Division under Application 5630.

#### **CW "Bill" Jones Pumping Plant**

N 2,121,505 ft., E 6,255,368 ft., California Coordinate System Zone 3, NAD 83, being within the NE ¼ of SW ¼ of Projected Section 29, T1S, R4E, MDB&M. This proposed additional point of rediversion is identified on maps filed with the Division under Application 5626.

#### San Luis Reservoir

N 1,845,103 ft., E 6,393,569 ft., California Coordinate System Zone 3, NAD 83, being within the SW ¼ of SE ¼ of Projected Section 15, T10S, R8E, MDB&M. This proposed additional point of rediversion is identified on maps filed with the Division under Application 5630.

## PLACE OF USE

### Present:

The present place of use under License 904B is 20,544 acres, located within T9N, R2E; T9N, R3E; T10N, R2E and T10N, R3E, MDB&M, as shown on map dated September 22, 2015 filed with the Division.

#### Proposed:

No change in the present place of use is proposed. The Company proposes to add a portion of the service area of the CVP as the proposed additional place of use in order to facilitate the temporary water transfer to the SLDMWA. This portion of the service area of the CVP is shown on Map 214-208 – 12581 on file with the Division under Application 5626.

## **GENERAL INFORMATION**

Surface water will be made available for transfer from the Company by crop idling/shifting, consistent with the current *Draft Technical Information for Preparing Water Transfer Proposals*, dated December 2019 (Draft Technical Information) published by the Department of Water Resources (DWR) and Reclamation. The Draft Technical Information has been developed to address the concerns of DWR and Reclamation relative to the potential impacts that water transfers may have on other legal users, instream beneficial uses, and the overall economy and environment. The Company will submit a proposal to DWR and Reclamation

for a water transfer to participating entities within the SLDMWA during 2022, which includes detailed information relative to historical cropping data, and associated maps. DWR and Reclamation will conduct an extensive review of these documents in order to ensure that the quantity of water proposed to be made available by the Company meets the relevant criteria to demonstrate a reduction in surface water use will occur as a result of the proposed temporary transfer. Absent the proposed temporary transfer to SLDMWA, crops would not be idled/shifted to make surface water available for SLDMWA; thus, the Company would have diverted surface water to meet its irrigation demands. The Company will provide the Division with a copy of the executed agreements with Reclamation and/or DWR identifying the terms and conditions for the 2022 Water Transfer to document that the relevant findings are made by those agencies, in accordance with the Draft Technical Information and other requirements. Those executed agreements will identify an up-to transfer quantity to be made available by crop idling/shifting, which will be less than or equal to the quantities identified in this Petition.

Crop idling/shifting water transfers involve surface water made available for transfer by reducing the consumptive use of surface water applied for irrigation. As indicated above, the Company is preparing a water transfer proposal for submittal to DWR and Reclamation to provide the information required pursuant to the Draft Technical Information, which includes supporting documentation to determine the quantity of surface water to be made available by crop idling/shifting. Details regarding specific fields and crops to be idled/shifted for the transfer are currently being decided by growers within the Company. In order to make 10,088 AF of surface water available for transfer, a maximum of 3.363 acres of rice will be idled for the proposed 2022 Water Transfer based on the current evapotranspiration of applied water rate for rice identified by DWR and Reclamation (3.0 AF/acre, which for 3,363 acres of rice results in a quantity of 10,088 AF). However, growers are evaluating the potential idling of other crops such as sunflowers, alfalfa, and melons. If crops other than rice are included in the transfer, then the participating acreage will be in proportion to the evapotranspiration of applied water for crops as defined in the Draft Technical Information. The acreages of crops irrigated under License 904B during prior years are shown in water right reports filed with the Division. For reference, during recent years, the irrigated acreage of rice has been approximately 8,500 acres and the irrigated acreage of other crops has been approximately 10,500 acres. Following determination of specific fields participating in the proposed transfer, including the associated crop history for those fields, the Company will submit a proposal for the 2022 Water Transfer to DWR and Reclamation; and those agencies will evaluate the fields proposed to be idled/shifted for the temporary transfer. Evaluation and approval by DWR and Reclamation of the lands to be idled/shifted and verification of the quantity of surface water made available will ensure the proposed transfer does not result in any unreasonable and adverse impacts to the environment or third parties. In accordance with the Draft Technical Information and the Final EIS/EIR, the Company's crop idling/shifting will incorporate relevant mitigation measures that minimize impacts on threatened species, including the Giant Garter Snake.

As a result of the proposed temporary transfer, the flow in the Sacramento River downstream of the Company's present points of diversion will increase by up to 10,088 AFover what would have occurred absent the proposed transfer. These increases will occur during the period that surface water is made available by the Company or if possible, during

the following months thereafter through releases by Reclamation for conveyance to SLDMWA. If excess capacity is available in Shasta Reservoir, the Delta is in balanced conditions, and regulatory requirements are being met, Reclamation may temporarily hold the quantity of surface water made available by the Company, until export capacity at the SWP's Banks Pumping Plant or the CVP's Jones Pumping Plant is available, which is typically during July, August, or September. This "backing up" of transfer water would decrease releases from Shasta Reservoir early in the irrigation season, such as during May and June, and increase releases later in the season when conditions and operations permit. such as possibly during October or November. Reclamation would only consider operations to facilitate and accommodate "backing up" of transfer water if those operations avoid temperature impacts, and possibly aid with overall temperature management, consistent with the Final EIS/R and other relevant requirements. In fact, this temporary retention of water in Shasta Reservoir, as a result of surface water made available by the Company, may provide an incidental benefit for fisheries during the early portion of the irrigation season as a result of the temporary retention of transfer water in Shasta Reservoir that would not have existed absent the transfer. The benefits associated with potential temporary retention of transfer water in Shasta Reservoir are considered by Reclamation through its planning efforts during late spring, generally following decisions by growers regarding quantities planned to be made available for transfer as indicated in water transfer proposals. Shasta Reservoir would continue to be operated in accordance with regulatory requirements, such as flow and temperature requirements established by various agencies including the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration's National Marine Fisheries Service, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, and State Water Resources Control Board, for the protection of downstream resources. During the period when it is possible for the increased flows in the Sacramento River to reach the proposed downstream additional points of diversion for the proposed transfer, these flows will be a small percentage of the total flow and will be water that would be diverted by the Company absent this proposed transfer. The Company's reduced diversions will provide additional flows during the proposed transfer period, up to a maximum of approximately 40 cfs. Therefore, there will be no injury to other legal water users, water quality, or return flows; in fact, these increased flows may provide incidental benefits for fisheries and wildlife and may result in a positive effect to the water users between the present points of diversion and the proposed downstream additional points of diversion.

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 Central Valley Project, and the SWP. Discussions with the Department of Fish and Wildlife (DFW) staff regarding the Petition occurred on February 14, 2022 in order to discuss the proposed water transfer, including the overall process/review of the Petition and associated documentation by DFW and other agencies. In regard to groundwater substitution, initial comments received from DFW staff included concerns relative to streamflow depletion factor and consistency with/consideration of Groundwater Sustainability Plans. Future discussions relative to streamflow depletion are planned, and as mentioned above, a determination from the GSA that the proposed 2022 Water Transfer is consistent with the Groundwater Sustainability Plan will be obtained. The Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board (CVRWQCB) has also been contacted and were provided information regarding the proposed temporary water transfer. DFW and CVRWQCB

have been provided a copy of this Petition for review. Specifically, copies of this Petition have been provided to Briana Seapy (916-508-3345) and Bridget Gibbons (916-767-3993) of DFW and Michelle Snapp (916-464-4824) of the CVRWQCB for review and comment.

State of California 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

# 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). <u>This form is not a CEQA document.</u> If a CEQA document has not yet been prepared, a determination must be made of who is responsible for its preparation. <u>As the petitioner, you are responsible for all costs associated with the environmental evaluation and preparation of the required CEQA documents.</u> 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

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## Coordination with Regional Water Quality Control Board

For change petitions only, you must request consultation with the Water Quality Control Board regarding the potential effects of you	Date of Request				
change on water quality and other instream beneficial uses. (Cal. tit. 23, § 794.) In order to determine the appropriate office for cor http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/waterboards_map.shtml. Provide date you submitted your request for consultation here, then provid information.	02/14/2022				
Will your project, during construction or operation, (1) generate w wastewater containing such things as sewage, industrial chemica or agricultural chemicals, or (2) cause erosion, turbidity or sedime	0	Yes	0	No	
Will a waste discharge permit be required for the project?		0	Yes	$\odot$	No
If necessary, provide additional information below:					
Michelle Snapp (916-464-4824) of the Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Boa temporary water transfer; and no comments were provided at this time. A copy of this petisubmittal of this petition to the Division of Water Rights.					h the
Insert the attachment number here, if applicable: 1					
Local Permits					
For temporary transfers only, you must contact the board of supe	rvisors for the		Date of C	ontac	t
county(ies) both for where you currently store or use water and w to transfer the water. (Wat. Code § 1726.) Provide the date you s your request for consultation here.		02/18/2022			
For change petitions only, you should contact your local planning information below.	or public works de	epartr	nent and p	provid	e the
Person Contacted: Not Applicable. Date of	of Contact:				
Department: Phone	e Number:				
County Zoning Designation:					
Are any county permits required for your project? If yes, indicate t	type below.	) Ye	es O	No	
Grading Permit Use Permit Waterco	ourse O	bstru	ction Perm	nit	
Change of Zoning General Plan Change	Other (explain be	elow)			
If applicable, have you obtained any of the permits listed above?	lf yes, provide cop	ies.	O Yes	O	No
If necessary, provide additional information below:					
Not 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 Boa	State Reclamation Board U.S. Army Corps of Engineers U.S. Forest Service							
Bureau of Land Manag	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. O Yes O 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:								

Insert the attachment number here, if applicable:

## **Construction or Grading Activity**

Not Applicable.

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

If necessary, provide additional information below:

## Archeology

Has an archeological report been prepared for this project? If yes, provide a copy.	OYes	No
Will another public agency be preparing an archeological report?	OYes	• No
Do you know of any archeological or historic sites in the area? If yes, explain below.	O <sup>Yes</sup>	• 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 See Attachment No. 1.

<u>For all petitions other than time extensions</u>, 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 rediversion, 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 3 - 15 - 23 at 3 - 15 - 23 at 3 - 15 - 23.

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Water Right Holder or Authorized Agent Signature

Water Right Holder or Authorized Agent Signature

NOTE:

- <u>Petitions for Change</u> 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.)
- <u>Petitions for Temporary Transfer</u> 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.)

# Attachment No. 1 to Environmental Information for Petition for Change Involving Water Transfers License 904B (Application 1199B) Held by Conaway Preservation Group

## DESCRIPTION OF PROPOSED CHANGES

Conaway Preservation Group (Company) is petitioning to temporarily add points of diversion, points of rediversion, a place of use, and purposes of use to the water right identified above in order to transfer up to 10,088 AF for use by participating entities within the San Luis & Delta-Mendota Water Authority (SLDMWA) by crop idling/shifting. Shasta Dam is proposed to be added as a point of diversion; the State Water Project's (SWP) Banks Pumping Plant and the Central Valley Project's (CVP) CW "Bill" Jones Pumping Plant are proposed to be added as a point of rediversion; San Luis Reservoir is proposed to be added as a point of rediversion; San Luis Reservoir is proposed to be added as a place of use. The purposes of use proposed to be added are municipal, industrial, and domestic, in addition to the existing purpose of use for irrigation. These proposed additions would authorize the transfer of water to SLDMWA in order to provide an additional water supply during the current drier hydrologic conditions. There are no changes to the Company's existing points of diversion, place of use, or purpose of use.

The quantity of surface water proposed to be made available for transfer by crop idling/shifting, up to 10,088 AF, involves only the consumptive use savings as a result of actions within the Company's boundaries. These proposed quantities would be made available by the Company during May through September 2022. Water made available for transfer will remain instream for diversion at the proposed additional points of diversion, or when necessary, temporarily retained in Shasta Reservoir for rediversion at the proposed additional points of rediversion. Absent the proposed temporary transfer, the Company would have diverted the total proposed transfer quantity of 10,088 AF from the Sacramento River pursuant to its License 904B and in accordance with its Sacramento River Settlement Contract with the U.S. Bureau of Reclamation (Reclamation). The proposed temporary transfer does not involve any construction or other physical changes to the Company's facilities.

Petitions for temporary transfer of water pursuant to Water Code Section 1725 are exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). Reclamation and SLDMWA have prepared a *Final Long-Term Water Transfers Environmental Impact Statement/Environmental Impact Report* (Final EIS/EIR), dated September 2019, pursuant to the requirements under the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) and CEQA. A copy of the Final EIS/EIR, dated September 2019, is available at: <

<u>https://www.usbr.gov/mp/nepa/nepa\_project\_details.php?Project\_ID=18361</u> > Based on the requirements associated with the Final EIS/EIR, and in accordance with the Draft Technical Information for Preparing Water Transfer Proposals, dated December 2019 published by the Department of Water Resources and Reclamation, the Company will implement the relevant, applicable measures for the proposed 2022 Water Transfer.

Conaway Preservation Group License 904B Attachment No. 1 to Environmental Information Form

#### **PHOTOGRAPHS**

The present points of diversion and the proposed additional points of diversion and rediversion 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, the Company respectfully requests that said documentation be made a part of the record for the petition.

#### MAPS

The present points of diversion and place of use are shown on a map filed with the Division for License 904B. The proposed additional point of diversion for the SWP's Banks Pumping Plant and the proposed additional point of rediversion for San Luis Reservoir are shown on maps filed with the Division for Application 5630. The proposed additional point of diversion for the CVP's Jones Pumping Plant is shown on maps filed with the Division for Application 5626. The proposed additional place of use is a portion of the CVP service area, as shown on Map 214-208 – 12581 on file with the Division under Application 5626. The Company respectfully requests that said maps be made a part of the record for the petition.

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