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February 18, 2022

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

Subject:

Plumas Mutual Water Company Petition for Change Involving

Water Transfer under License 7296 (Application 480)

Dear Mr. Ekdahl:

On behalf of Plumas Mutual Water Company (Company), enclosed are the following documents relative to a Petition for Change Involving Water Transfer (Petition) under Company's License 7296 (Application 480):

- 1. Petition for Change Involving Water Transfers Form with Attachment (one original and one copy).
- 2. Environmental Information Form with Attachment (one original and one copy).
- 3. Check in the amount of \$4,745.00 to cover the Petition fees, which is based on a total quantity proposed to be made available for transfer, up to 5,500 acre-feet (AF).
- 4. Check in the amount of \$850.00 to cover the fee for the Department of Fish and Wildlife.

The Company is petitioning to temporarily add a point of diversion, point of rediversion, place of use, and purposes of use to its License 7296 in order to transfer up to a total of 5,500 AF to participating State Water Contractor (SWC) Agencies by groundwater substitution. As you are aware, time is of the essence to process this Petition for the implementation of the water transfer to the SWC Agencies; and we appreciate your attention to this Petition.

Following your review of the Petition, please call if you have any questions or require additional information.

Sincerely,

MBK ENGINEERS

Kyle Knutson

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3832.22/ERIK EKDAHL PMWC PETITION FOR 2022 TRANSFER 2022-02-18

#### **Enclosures**

cc:

Steve Danna, Plumas Mutual Water Company (via e-mail)

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Samuel Boland-Brien, Division of Water Rights (via e-mail)

Anna Fock, DWR SWPAO (via e-mail)

Andy Chu, DWR SWPAO (via e-mail)

Michelle Snapp, CVRWQCB (via e-mail)

Bridget Gibbons, Department of Fish and Wildlife (via e-mail)

Board of Supervisors, County of Yuba (via certified mail)

Board of Supervisors, County of Kings (via certified mail)

Board of Supervisors, County of San Joaquin (via certified mail)

Board of Supervisors, County of Santa Clara (via certified mail)

Board of Supervisors, County of Riverside (via certified mail)

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Board of Supervisors, County of Santa Barbara (via certified mail)

Please indicate County where your project is located here:

Yuba

#### 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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Application	480 Permit 249	License 7296	Statement
I (we) hereby petition for	r change(s) noted above and descr	ibed as follows:	
Point of Diversion or to ¼-¼ level and Californ Present:  See Attachment	a Coordinate System (NAD 83).	and identify points using both Po	ublic Land Survey System descriptions
Proposed: See Attachment	√o. 1		
Place of Use – Identify Present: See Attachment	area using Public Land Survey System No. 1	descriptions to 1/4-1/4 level; for in	igation, list number of acres irrigated.
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Purpose of Use			
Present: Irrigation			
Proposed: Irrigation, Munici	al, Industrial, Domestic		
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Upstream Location:	Not Applicable		
Downstream Location:			
List the quantities dedic	ated to instream flow in either:	cubic feet per second or	gallons per day:
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#### Amount of Water to be Transferred

Upto 5,500 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 37.00 cubic feet per second or million gallons per day.			
<b>General Information</b> – 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?			
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?			
Have you attached an analysis that shows the proposed temporary change or longterm transfer will not unreasonably affect fish, wildlife, or other instream beneficial uses?			
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.  Not Applicable			
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.  See Attachment No. 1			
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 2 - 14 - 2022 at 1001 Features River BLVD, Plumes Lawe CA 95961  Right Holder or Authorized Agent Signature  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/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 7296 (Application 480) Held by Plumas Mutual Water Company

#### **PURPOSE OF PETITION**

The purpose of this Petition for Change Involving Water Transfers (Petition) is to: (1) add Oroville Dam as a point of diversion, (2) add the State Water Project's (SWP) Harvey O. Banks Pumping Plant and Barker Slough Pumping Plant as points of diversion and points of rediversion, (3) add San Luis Reservoir, Castaic Dam, Perris Dam, and Pyramid Dam as points of rediversion, (3) add a portion of the service area of the SWP as an additional place of use, and (4) add municipal, industrial, and domestic purposes under Plumas Mutual Water Company's (Company) License 7296 (Application 480). This Petition is being filed to facilitate a temporary transfer (2022 Water Transfer) of up to 5,500 acre-feet (AF) of surface water from the Company within May through September 2022, which will be made available by groundwater substitution, prior to subtracting streamflow depletion loss, to participating State Water Contractor (SWC) Agencies in order to provide an additional water supply for irrigation, municipal, industrial, and domestic purposes. Groundwater substitution involves the use of groundwater pumped to produce crops within the Company in exchange for a like amount of surface water that will remain instream for diversion at the proposed additional point of diversion. Absent the proposed temporary transfer, the Company would divert the entire quantity of surface water proposed for transfer from the Feather River pursuant to its water right. Annual water right reports submitted to the Division of Water Rights (Division) for License 7296, 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.

#### POINT OF DIVERSION OR REDIVERSION

#### **POINT OF DIVERSION**

#### Present Point of Diversion:

No change in the present point of diversion is proposed. The Company's authorized point of diversion under License 7296 is listed below:

	Located Within*				
<u>Description</u> *	1/4, 1/4	Sec	$\underline{\mathbf{T}}$	<u>R</u>	
South 1,940 feet from the NW corner of	SW,	6	13N	4E	
Section 6, T13N, R4E	NW	U	1311	TL	

#### Proposed Additional Points of Diversion:

<sup>\*</sup> All references to Section, Township, and Range are to the MDB&M.

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

#### 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 of Water Rights (Division) under Application 5630.

#### **Barker Slough Pumping Plant**

N 567,682, E 2,017,761, California Coordinate System Zone 2, within the NE ¼ of SW ¼ of Projected Section 18, T5N, R2E, MDB&M. This proposed additional point of diversion is identified on maps filed with the Division of Water Rights (Division) under Application 5630.

#### Oroville Dam

North 681,581 feet and East 2,145,832 feet, California Coordinate System of 1983, Zone 2, being within the NW¼ of NW¼ of said Section 1, T19N, R4E, MDB&M. This proposed additional point of diversion is identified on maps filed with the Division under Application 5630.

#### **POINT OF REDIVERSION**

#### Proposed Additional Points of Rediversion:

The Company proposes to add the following points of rediversion:

#### 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.

#### Castaic Dam

North 2,012,680 feet and East 6,378,993 feet, California Coordinate System of 1983 in Zone 5, being within the N¼of SW¼ of projected Section 18, T5N, R16 W, SBB&M. This proposed additional point of rediversion is identified on maps filed with the Division under Application 5630.

#### Perris Dam

North 2,254,478 feet and East 6,275,612 feet, California Coordinate System of 1983 in Zone 6, being within the N ½ of SE ¼ of projected Section 4, T4S, R3 W, SBB&M. This

proposed additional point of rediversion is identified on maps filed with the Division under Application 5630.

#### **Pyramid Dam**

North 2,057,463 feet and East 6,331,046 feet, California Coordinate System of 1983 in Zone 5, being within the SW ¼ of NW ¼ of projected Section 2, T6N, R18 W, SBB&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 is 4,300 acres within the boundaries of Reclamation District No. 784 on the easterly side of Feather River in Townships 13 and 14 North, Ranges 3 and 4 East, MDB&M, as shown on a map contained in the Division's files for License 7296.

#### Proposed:

No change in the present place of use is proposed. The Company proposes to add a portion of the service area of the SWP as the proposed additional place of use in order to facilitate the temporary water transfer to the participating SWC Agencies. This portion of the service area of the SWP is shown on Map 1878 - 1, 2, 3, and 4 on file with the Division under Application 5630.

#### PROPOSED NEW USERS

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

Dudley Ridge Water District c/o Rick Besecker Provost & Pritchard Engineering Group, Inc.

286 W. Cromwell Avenue Fresno, CA 93711-6162

County of Kings c/o Ethan Warren 1001 Chase Avenue Corcoran, CA 93212

Metropolitan Water District of Southern California c/o James Bodnar 700 N. Alameda Street Los Angeles, CA 90112

Alameda County Water District c/o Leonard Ash 43885 S. Grimmer Boulevard Fremont, CA 94538

Zone 7 Water Agency c/o Sal Segura100 N. Canyons Parkway Livermore, CA 94551

Santa Clara Valley WD c/o Dana Jacobsen5750 Almaden Expressway San Jose, CA 95118 Kern County Water Agency c/o Lauren Bauer P. O. Box 58 Bakersfield, CA 93302

Palmdale Water District Peter Thompson 2029 East Avenue Q Palmdale, CA 93550

Napa County Flood Control and Water Conservation District c/o Chris Silka 804 First St. Napa, CA 94559-2623

Antelope Valley East Kern Water Agency c/o Tom Barnes 6500 W. Avenue N Palmdale, CA 93551

San Bernadino Valley MWD c/o Bob Tincher 380 E. Vanderbilt Way San Bernadino, CA 92408

Tulare Lake Water Storage District c/o Ethan Warren 1001 Chase Avenue Corcoran, CA 93212

#### **GENERAL INFORMATION**

Surface water will be made available for transfer from the Company's groundwater substitution, 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 the U.S. Bureau of Reclamation (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(s) to DWR for a water transfer to the SWC Agencies during 2022, which includes detailed information relative to historical groundwater pumping, groundwater well characteristics, groundwater monitoring and reporting elements, and associated maps. DWR 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 the SWC Agencies, groundwater would not be pumped by the Company for its groundwater substitution program to make surface water available for the SWC Agencies; 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 agreement with DWR identifying the terms and conditions for the 2022 Water Transfer to document that the relevant findings are made by DWR, in accordance with the Draft Technical Information and other requirements. The executed agreement will identify an up-to transfer quantity to be made available by groundwater substitution, which will be less than or equal to the quantity identified in this Petition.

Only wells which have been approved by DWR will be used for the proposed temporary transfer. In accordance with Water Code Section 1745.10, the Company does not believe the proposed transfer to the SWC Agencies by groundwater substitution will result in an overdraft of the underlying groundwater basin. As a condition of participation in the proposed temporary transfer, the Company has developed groundwater monitoring, reporting, and mitigation plans to ensure the proposed transfer does not result in any unreasonable and adverse impacts to the groundwater basin or third parties. As described above, the requirements of the monitoring program are outlined in the Draft Technical Information and will be implemented by the Company accordingly. The program also includes review of groundwater level monitoring data relative to potential land subsidence, in accordance with the Draft Technical Information. To account for anticipated streamflow depletion, DWR will apply a factor of 13% to the amount of groundwater pumped pursuant to the Company's proposed groundwater substitution transfer in accordance with the Draft Technical Information. Evaluation and approval by DWR of the groundwater monitoring, reporting, and mitigation plans will be obtained for the Company's groundwater substitution program. In addition, the Company is providing notification to the Yuba County Water Agency Groundwater Sustainability Agency (GSA), which is the groundwater sustainability agency formed pursuant to the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act that covers the area where groundwater substitution pumping is proposed to occur within the Company. Documentation of the Company's notification to the GSA, including a determination from the GSA that the proposed

2022 Water Transfer is consistent with the Groundwater Sustainability Plan, will be provided to DWR, in accordance with the Draft Technical Information.

As a result of the proposed temporary transfer, the flow in the Feather River downstream of the Company's present point of diversion will increase by up to 5,500 AF, prior to reductions for streamflow depletion, during the period of the transfer over 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 DWR for conveyance to the participating SWC Agencies. The increased flow in the Feather River to the proposed additional point of diversion and rediversion 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 37 cfs. Therefore, there will be no injury to other legal water users, water quality, or return flows; in fact, these increased flows may provide benefits for fisheries and wildlife and may result in a positive effect to the water users between the present point of diversion and the proposed additional point of diversion.

On May 28, 1971, the Company executed an Agreement on Diversion of Water from the Feather River with DWR (Agreement), for the purpose of a water rights settlement associated with the operation of Oroville Dam, specifically relative to the Company's License 7296. The proposed quantity for the 2022 Water Transfer is based on a 100% supply under the Agreement with DWR. As the transfer period approaches, if it appears the supply under the Company's Agreement will be less than 100%, the transfer quantity may be reduced. The Company's beneficial use of water from the Feather River during 2022 will include diversions for its crop water demands and surface water made available for transfer by groundwater substitution.

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

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#### **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:	1

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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		Date of Request			
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. Provide the date you submitted your request for consultation here, then provide the following information.		02/14/20	22		
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?	С	) Yes	•	No	
Will a waste discharge permit be required for the project?	C	) Yes	$\odot$	No	
If necessary, provide additional information below:  Michelle Snapp (916-464-4824) 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. Snapp concurrently with the submittal of this petition to the Division of Water Rights.					
Insert the attachment number here, if applicable: 1					
Local Permits					
For temporary transfers only, you must contact the board of supervisors for the		Date of	Conta	ct	
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.		02/18/20	)22		
<u>For change petitions only</u> , you should contact your local planning or public works d information below.	epar	tment an	d provi	de the	
Person Contacted: Not Applicable Date of Contact:					
Department: Phone Number:					
County Zoning Designation:					
Are any county permits required for your project? If yes, indicate type below.	Y	′es (	O No		
Grading Permit Use Permit Watercourse	bstr	uction Pe	ermit		
Change of Zoning General Plan Change Other (explain b	elow	/)			
If applicable, have you obtained any of the permits listed above? If yes, provide cop	oies.	OY	es C	) No	
If necessary, provide additional information below:  Not Applicable					
Insert the attachment number here, if applicable:					

# Check any additional agencies that may require permits or other approvals for your project: Regional Water Quality Control Board Department of Fish and Game California Coastal Commission Dept of Water Resources, Division of Safety of Dams 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. No Yes For each agency from which a permit is required, provide the following information: 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 Yes ( No altered or would significantly alter the bed, bank or riparian habitat of any stream or lake? If necessary, provide additional information below: Not Applicable Insert the attachment number here, if applicable:

**Federal and State Permits** 

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	
If necessary, provide additional information below:  Not Applicable	
Insert the attachment number here, if applicable:	
Photographs	
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 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.)	g all
Pursuant to California Code of Regulations, title 23, section 794, petitions for change submitted without ma may not be accepted.	ps
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 best of my (our) knowledge. Dated 2-14-2022 at 1001 Feather River Bub, Plums to CA 95961  Water Right Holder of Authorized Agent Signature  Water Right Holder or Authorized Agent Signature	the

#### 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 7296 (Application 480) Held by Plumas Mutual Water Company

#### DESCRIPTION OF PROPOSED CHANGES

Plumas Mutual Water Company (Company) is petitioning to temporarily add a points of diversion, points of rediversion, place of use, and purposes of use to the water right identified above in order to transfer up to 5,500 AF to participating State Water Contractor (SWC) Agencies by groundwater substitution. Oroville Dam is proposed to be added as a point of diversion; the State Water Project's (SWP) Banks Pumping Plant and Barker Slough Pumping Plant are proposed to be added as points of diversion and points of rediversion; San Luis Reservoir, Castaic Dam, Perris Dam, and Pyramid Dam are proposed to be added as points of rediversion; and a portion of the service area of the SWP is proposed to be added as a place of use. The additional 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 the SWC Agencies during May through September 2022. The proposed 2022 Water Transfer will provide the SWC Agencies with an additional water supply during the current drier hydrologic conditions. There is no change to the Company's existing point of diversion, place of use, or purpose of use.

The quantity of surface water proposed to be made available by groundwater substitution involves the use of groundwater pumped upon overlying lands in exchange for a like amount of surface water that will remain instream for diversion at the proposed additional point of diversion. Absent the proposed temporary transfer, the Company would have diverted the total proposed transfer quantity of 5,500 AF of surface water from the Feather River pursuant to its License 7296. 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). In accordance with the Draft Technical Information for Preparing Water Transfer Proposals, dated December 2019, published by the Department of Water Resources and U.S. Bureau of Reclamation, the Company will implement the relevant, applicable measures for the proposed 2022 Water Transfer.

#### **PHOTOGRAPHS**

The present point of diversion and the proposed additional points of diversion and point of 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 point of diversion and place of use are shown on a map filed with the Division for License 7296. The proposed additional points of diversion for the SWP's Banks Pumping Plant, Barker Slough Pumping Plant and Oroville Reservoir, and the proposed additional point of rediversion for San Luis Reservoir, Castaic Dam, Perris Dam, and Pyramid Dam 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

## Plumas Mutual Water Company License 7296 Attachment No. 1 to Environmental Information Form

shown on Map 1878 - 1, 2, 3, and 4 on file with the Division under Application 5630. The Company respectfully requests that said maps be made a part of the record for the petition.



