
State Water Resources Control Board

Notice of Minor Change to Water Right Application A031774

A minor change has been initiated under Water Code section 1700.4 to make minor changes to water right application A031774 of Larry W. Thatcher. The project associated with the application and minor change is in Tehama County and would divert water from the Cottonwood Creek stream system.

Summary of Water Right Application A031774

Date of Filing: The application was filed with the State Water Board on June 5, 2009.

Source of Water: The source of water is an Unnamed Stream, which is tributary to South Fork Cottonwood Creek thence Cottonwood Creek thence the Sacramento River.

Season of Diversion: The season for diversion of water is from November 1 of each year through April 30 of the succeeding year.

Diversion Method and Amount: Water will be collected to onstream storage in Lowell Reservoir and will be limited to 64.5 acre-feet per year.

Point of Diversion: The point where water will be diverted is Lowell Reservoir Dam, located at North 1,948,155 feet and East 6,402,908 feet by California Coordinate System, Zone 1, North American Datum 1983, within the Northeast quarter of the Southwest quarter of Section 20, Township 27 North, Range 6 West, Mount Diablo Base and Meridian.

Purposes of Use: The purposes of use for water are recreational, fire protection, fish culture, and domestic.

Place of Use: The place of use for recreational, fire protection, and fish culture use of water is at Lowell Reservoir, located within the Northeast quarter of the Southwest quarter of Section 20, Township 27 North, Range 6 West, Mount Diablo Base and Meridian. The place of use for domestic use of water is within the Northwest quarter of the Southwest quarter of Section 20, Township 27 North, Range 6 West, Mount Diablo Base and Meridian.

Summary of Minor Change

Source of Water: The source of water will not change.

Season of Diversion: The season for diversion of water will not change.

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Diversion Method and Amount: The diversion method will not change. The maximum amount of water collected to onstream storage will change to 45 acre-feet per year.

Point of Diversion: The point where water will be diverted will not change.

Purposes of Use: The purposes of use for water will change by removing domestic use and adding incidental domestic use.

Places of Use: The places of use for water will not change.

Application and Minor Change Documents

Documentation related to applications and minor changes 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 and minor change documents, please contact Phillip Zoucha at Phillip.Zoucha@waterboards.ca.gov or (916) 323-4641 (email is the preferred means of communication).

Procedure for Filing Comments

Pursuant to Water Code section 1700.4, any interested person may submit comments regarding the proposed minor change. Comments should be submitted via email to the staff contact listed below but may also be submitted via regular mail or hand delivered. If comments 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 or (916) 341-5300 to make an appointment. Comments must be received by the Division of Water Rights or postmarked by **September 5, 2025**.

Contact Information

Please direct all requests and inquiries regarding this notice to Phillip Zoucha at (916) 323-4641 or Phillip.Zoucha@waterboards.ca.gov. Written correspondence should be addressed to:

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Attn: Phillip Zoucha, P.O. Box 2000, Sacramento, CA 95812-2000

Date of Notice: The date that this public notice was issued is August 21, 2025.