

RESOLUTION NO. _____

**A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF
DIRECTORS OF THE LOST HILLS UTILITY
DISTRICT FINDING THE EXISTENCE OF AN
EMERGENCY CAUSED BY A STATEWIDE
DROUGHT AND PROHIBITING THE WASTAGE
OF WATER, IMPOSING RESTRICTIONS
ON THE USE OF WATER, IMPOSING
PENALTIES FOR VIOLATIONS OF
THIS RESOLUTION, AND ESTABLISHING THE
EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS RESOLUTION**

WHEREAS, the Lost Hills Utility District ("District") is a political subdivision of the State of California, duly organized pursuant to Health and Safety Code Sections 6400 et seq and with powers granted under California Water Code Sections 30000 et seq; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors ("Board") of the District previously adopted Ordinance No. 1-91 on March 1991 (the "Ordinance") implementing restrictions on water use due to an unprecedented drought within the State of California and the District and the District has never repealed that Ordinance; and

WHEREAS, by this resolution, the District intends to implement enforcement of the Ordinance and each of its terms and conditions, a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit "A" and by this reference made a part hereof; and

WHEREAS, in order to more effectively respond to the present drought, the Board wishes to further adopt additional restrictions.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Directors of the Lost Hills Utility District as follows:

1. That the foregoing recitals are true and correct and incorporated herein.

2. The Board hereby approves active enforcement of the Ordinance until further notice.

3. In addition to the restrictions on water use described in the Ordinance, including, without limitation, the progression of restrictions described therein, the Board further adopts the following restrictions:

(a) The use of water which allows substantial and unreasonable amounts of water to run into a gutter, ditch, or drain is hereby prohibited; and

(b) The excessive use, loss, or escape of water through breaks, leaks, or malfunctions in the water users plumbing or distribution facilities for any period of time after such escape of water should reasonably have been discovered and corrected is prohibited and it is hereby presumed that a period of forty-eight (48) hours after discovery is a reasonable time within which to correct such leak or break; and

(c) The washing of vehicles, building exteriors, sidewalks, driveways, parking areas, patios or other paved areas without the use of a positive shutoff nozzle on the hose which results in excessive runoff is hereby prohibited; and

(d) Irrigation utilizing individual sprinklers or sprinkler systems of lawns, gardens, or landscaped areas is prohibited except by a handheld hose with positive shutoff nozzle or a handheld faucet filled bucket of five (5) gallons or less or a drip irrigation system; and

(e) The emptying and refilling of water to swimming pools or spas is prohibited except upon approval of the Lost Hills Utility District;

(f) The operation of any ornamental fountain or other structure making similar use of water is prohibited unless the fountain uses a recycling system; and

(g) The washing of sidewalks, driveways, parking areas, courts, patios, or other paved areas is prohibited unless necessary for the health, safety, and welfare of the public.

4. The foregoing shall commence on May 2, 2014.

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PASSED AND ADOPTED this 1st day of May, 2014 at a regular meeting of
the Board of Directors of the Lost Hills Utility District by the following vote:

AYES: Directors, Clifford, Cortez, Biasterros, Garza

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Villasana

EMMA CLIFFORD, President
Board of Directors, Lost Hills
Utility District

ATTEST:

ANA CHAVEZ, Secretary,
Board of Directors, Lost Hills
Utility District

ORDINANCE NO. 1-91

AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE LOST HILLS SANITARY DISTRICT FINDING THE EXISTENCE OF AN EMERGENCY CAUSED BY AN EXISTING WATER SHORTAGE; PROHIBITING THE WASTAGE OF WATER; IMPOSING RESTRICTIONS ON THE USE OF WATER; PROVIDING FOR TERMINATION OF WATER SERVICE; IMPOSING PENALTIES FOR VIOLATION OF THIS ORDINANCE; AND ESTABLISHING EFFECTIVE DATE OF ORDINANCE

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE LOST HILLS SANITARY DISTRICT AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION I.
DEFINITIONS

The following terms when used in this Ordinance shall have the following respective meanings:

1. "Board of Directors" or "Board" shall mean the Board of Directors of the District.
2. "District" shall mean the Lost Hills Utility District.
3. "District water system" shall mean the water works belonging to the District serving domestic water to the customers thereof.
4. "Outdoor use" shall mean use of water in any area not surrounded on all sides by interconnected walls with an attached ceiling and floor, and use of water in buildings designed to hold or store vehicles such as garages, service bays, and service station fuel lanes.
5. "Water" shall mean water furnished through the District water system.
6. "Water service" shall mean the services, facilities and water furnished or available to premises of the District water system.

SECTION II
FINDINGS

1. The entire State of California is experiencing an unprecedented fifth consecutive year of below normal precipitation resulting in a drastic reduction in available water supplies.
2. The California Department of Water Resources has



declared that no agricultural water supplies will be available from the State Water Project which will create losses totalling approximately \$1.7 billion.

3. Water Supplied by the Kern River is estimated to be less than 30% of normal.

4. The local ground water supply, which is currently in a state of overdraft, will be severely impacted by significant increase in extractions throughout the usable ground water basin.

5. The water supply shortage presents a clear threat of large economic losses to growers and related increases in costs to consumers.

6. The governor of the State of California, after reviewing the findings of a special commission appointed by him to review the potential severity of the drought, has declared a statewide emergency.

7. Historically, the District's water system operates at maximum capacity from May through October of each year and District's consumers use the water at a faster rate than it can be produced during those months.

8. If District's storage tank fails to keep up with demand, District will be unable to supply its customers or to provide for emergency needs.

9. There is a persistent waste of water which results from outdoor water faucets and hoses left running when unnecessary or when unattended or used to flood irrigate outdoor vegetation or plants.

10. An emergency exists which threatens the integrity of the District's water system and its ability to serve water to its customers and thereby threatens the health and safety of the consumers of District's water.

SECTION III
WATER USE RESTRICTIONS

The Board of Directors of District hereby imposes the following restrictions on the outdoor use of water:

1. The running of water through an unattended outdoor water faucet is hereby prohibited unless connected to a hose equipped

with a nozzle containing an automatic shut-off valve or, in the case of watering outside plants and vegetation, equipped with a sprinkler attachment.

2. The running of water through a hose is hereby prohibited unless the hose is equipped with a nozzle containing an automatic shut-off valve or, in the case of watering outside plants and vegetation, equipped with a sprinkler attachment.

3. The nozzle on a hose shall be in the off position so that water cannot flow through it at all times when the hose is unattended or the hose is not being used or is temporarily not needed or the use to which it is being put has been temporarily interrupted.

SECTION IV
STAGED TERMINATION OF SERVICE

1. If the water restrictions set forth in Section III of this Ordinance fail, in the sole discretion of District, to reestablish the District's water system service capacity, District will restrict or terminate water service in the following stages until the District's water system capacity has, in District's sole discretion, been reestablished:

a. District will first restrict water service to the Berrenda Mesa Water District line, the Belridge line, and the North line and, thereafter, if said restrictions do not reestablish District's water system capacity, terminate water service to said lines.

b. If the restrictions or terminations described in Subparagraph "a" do not reestablish the capacity of District's water system, District will then restrict water service to its remaining customers in amounts and in the manner which District, in its sole discretion, deems most equitable under the circumstances then prevailing and with due regard to public health and safety.

c. If the restrictions or terminations described in Subparagraphs "a" and "b" fail to reestablish the capacity of District's water system, District will terminate water service to its remaining customers in the manner which District, in its sole

discretion, deems most equitable under the circumstances then prevailing and with due regard to public health and safety.

2. The length of termination and restriction of water service will depend on the circumstances existing as each termination or restriction is imposed.

3. District will endeavor to terminate or restrict water service as set forth herein at such times as to cause the least inconvenience to the affected customers. However, District shall have the right to terminate or restrict service as indicated herein at any time that District, in its sole discretion, deems necessary for the maintenance of the health and welfare of its customers and consumers and the preservation of the integrity of the water system. District shall not be liable for interruption of service or any loss or injury occasioned thereby.

SECTION V
VALIDITY

If any provision of this Ordinance or the application thereof to any person or circumstance is held invalid, no other provision of this Ordinance shall be affected thereby.

SECTION VI
PENALTY FOR VIOLATION

After the posting of this Ordinance as required herein, it is a misdemeanor for any person to use or apply water received from the District contrary to or in violation of the restrictions and prohibitions herein, until this Ordinance has been repealed or the emergency or threatened emergency has ceased, and, upon conviction thereof, that person shall be punished by imprisonment in the County Jail for not more than 30 days or by a fine of not more than \$600.00, or by both a fine and imprisonment.

SECTION VII
EFFECTIVE DATE OF ORDINANCE

This Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon its adoption by the Board and shall be posted by the Clerk at three public places within the District within 10 days of the date of adoption.

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PASSED AND ADOPTED this 7th day of March, 1991,

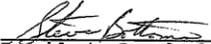
by the following vote:

AYES: DIRECTORS S. BOTTOMS, CORTEZ, M. BOTTOMS, FEWELL, CLIFFORD

NOES: NONE

ABSTAIN: NONE

ABSENT: NONE



President, Board of Directors
Lost Hills Utility District

ATTEST:



Secretary, Board of Directors
Lost Hills Utility District

RESOLUTION NO. 2330

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SHAFTER, CALIFORNIA, RELATING TO WATER CONSERVATION MEASURES

WHEREAS, on January 17, 2014, Governor Jerry Brown issued a drought state of emergency declaration in response to record-low water levels in California's rivers and reservoirs as well as an abnormally low snowpack; and

WHEREAS, the declaration puts into motion a variety of important policy and procedural directives that are key to implementing California's management of the driest year the State has seen since the keeping of records began in the 19th century; and

WHEREAS, the declaration calls on public agencies that manage or deliver water to implement a variety of measures, including implementing local water shortage contingency plans and updating urban and agricultural water management plans; and

WHEREAS, the declaration also requires the California Department of Water Resources to undertake a statewide water conservation program to encourage Californians to reduce water use by twenty percent; and

WHEREAS, on April 25, 2014, Governor Brown issued a second proclamation suspending the California Environmental Quality Act to allow for (1) the implementation of water reduction plans to reduce potable water usage for outdoor irrigation at recreational facilities and large institutional complexes; and (2) the adoption of emergency regulations by the State Water Resources Control Board relating to water conservation; and

WHEREAS, California Constitution article X, section 2 and California Water Code section 100 provide that because of conditions prevailing in the state of California (the "State"), it is the declared policy of the State that the general welfare requires that the water resources of the State shall be put to beneficial use to the fullest extent of which they are capable, the waste or unreasonable use of water shall be prevented, and the conservation of such waters is to be exercised with a view to the reasonable and beneficial use thereof in the interest of the people and the public welfare; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to California Water Code section 106, it is the declared policy of the State that the use of water for domestic use is the highest use of water and that the next highest use is for irrigation; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to California Water Code section 375, the City of Shafter (the "City") is authorized to adopt and enforce a water conservation program to reduce the quantity of water used by persons within its jurisdiction for the purpose of conserving the water supplies of the City; and

WHEREAS, the City is authorized to prescribe and define by ordinance restrictions, prohibitions, and exclusions for the use of water during a threatened or existing water shortage

and adopt and enforce a water conservation and regulatory program to: (i) prohibit the wastage of City water or the use of City water during such period; (ii) prohibit use of water during such periods for specific uses which the City may from time to time find nonessential; and (iii) reduce and restrict the quantity of water used by those persons within the City for the purpose of conserving the water supplies of the City; and

WHEREAS, on March 19, 1991, the City adopted Ordinance No. 432, amending the City Municipal Code section 8.40.010 to establish prohibitions on the use of excessive amounts of water and restrictions on irrigation of grass, lawns, ground cover, shrubbery, open ground, trees and gardens in the event of a water shortage; and

WHEREAS, because of the prevailing conditions in the State, the current statewide drought state of emergency, and the declared policy of the State, the City hereby finds and determines that it is necessary and appropriate for the City to develop a strategy for achieving more water conservation within the City to ensure that there is sufficient water for human consumption, sanitation, and fire protection.

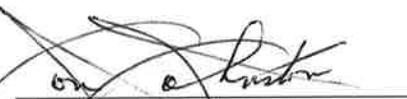
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the City Council of the City of Shafter, California, as follows:

Section 1. The City Council hereby finds that the above recitals are true and correct and incorporated herein.

Section 2. The City will undertake all efforts necessary to reduce water consumption by up to twenty percent at all City-owned parks and facilities.

Section 3. The City will develop a public outreach campaign for water customers to request that they undertake efforts to reduce their water consumption by up to twenty percent.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 17th DAY OF JUNE, 2014.



Jon Johnston, Mayor

ATTEST:


Christine Wilson, City Clerk

CERTIFICATE OF GOVERNING BODY'S ACTION

STATE OF CALIFORNIA)
) ss.
COUNTY OF KERN)

I, Christine Wilson, City Clerk of the City of Shafter, California, DO HEREBY CERTIFY that the above Resolution 2330, a Resolution of the City Council of the City of Shafter, was duly passed and adopted at a Regular Meeting held on the 17th day of June, 2014, by the following vote:

AYES: Alvarado, Colvard, Florez, Johnston, and Prout.
NOES: None.
ABSENT: None.
ABSTAINING: None.

DATED: June 17, 2014

(SEAL)



City Clerk of the City of Shafter

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NORTH KERN WATER STORAGE DISTRICT

February 19, 2014

ALL LANDOWNERS AND WATER USERS

MARCH 2014 WATER TOLLS

For the reasons described below, effective March 1, 2014 and until further notice, the water toll rates are:

Class 1	\$160.00/acre-foot
Class 2	\$165.00/acre-foot

[All water orders should be made 48-hours in advance]

The storms that provided significant precipitation to the northern portions of the State over the last few weeks provided only minimal precipitation in the southern Sierra including the Kern River watershed that supplies nearly all of North Kern's surface water supplies. Assuming normal precipitation for the remainder of the "wet" season, North Kern expects to receive almost no water from the Kern River during 2014 and it is becoming increasingly likely that that the 2012 through 2014 period will result in the lowest levels of combined Kern River runoff during any three-year period since records have been kept in the late 1800's.

Based on the conditions described above, as we did in 2013 (and to a somewhat lesser degree in 2012), North Kern will need to rely almost exclusively on pumped groundwater to meet 2014 irrigation demands. The same is true for other districts in the region and the very heavy volumes of regional groundwater pumping over the last several years have lowered groundwater levels, thereby increasing "pumping lifts", lowering pump efficiency and reducing pumping capacity, and increasing the costs to produce groundwater. To partially counteract higher pumping costs the Board of Directors has directed staff to implement measures to reduce other budgeted costs totaling approximately \$850,000.

Despite budget reductions, historically high water tolls are necessary for the District to balance its 2014 Budget and on February 18th the Board of Directors approved increases in water tolls effective March 1st as indicated above.

Landowners should also be aware that additional increases in water tolls may be necessary later this year to address District cash flow.

Additional consequences of the severe 2014 water supply situation are as follows:

1. **The District will have essentially no water available to Class 2 lands during the peak irrigation season.** Although the District should have limited quantities of water available to Class 2 landowners into April and again in November, as a result of the District's obligation to serve Class 1 lands, North Kern will have essentially no water available to Class 2 lands during the peak irrigation season (the District has programed in very limited temporary emergency Class 2 water supplies for May through October).

Notwithstanding the above, to assist Class 2 landowners in meeting their water needs the Board of Directors also approved a "landowner well water transportation program" for 2014 that allows landowners to convey well water from one location in the District to another location using the District's canal system. A copy of the agreement for this program - "Agreement for Delivery of Well Water" - is attached for your information. Please note that paragraphs 2 and 7 have changed from last year's agreement. If you would like to participate in the landowner well transportation program please complete the Agreement and return it to the District.

2. **Supplies to Class 1 Lands will be prorated.** Although the District has made substantial investments in well capacity to meet dry year demands, due to lower groundwater levels District well capacity will be incrementally lower this year than 2013. Consequently, the daily prorate instituted last year will be reinstated this spring through summer.

If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact us at the District.

Sincerely,



Richard A. Diamond, General Manager

Dana S. Munn, Engineer-Manager

Attachment:

Agreement for the Delivery of Well Water

KERN-TULARE Water District

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

KENT H. STEPHENS, PRESIDENT
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STEVEN C. DALKE, GENERAL MANAGER
SKYE GRASS, RESOURCES MANAGER
DAN ANTONINI, SUPERINTENDENT

June 13, 2014

Landowner and/or Water User

Subject: 2014 Water Supply Update

Kern-Tulare Water District has been able to put several additional water management programs in place and, as a result, is able to remove the maximum delivery rate limitation of 1.5 gpm/ac. However, the 1.0 ac-ft/ac for the 2014 calendar year remains in effect.

As always, the District's water supply is contingent upon water management programs performing as anticipated.

A current Kern-Tulare Water District prorate balances report is attached for your convenience.

Sincerely,



Steven C. Dalke
General Manager

February 3, 2014

***** 2014 WATER SUPPLY UPDATE*****

Delano-Earlimart Irrigation District

On January 13th we reported on the projected water supply for the 2014 water outlook. That report was not optimistic and our water supply outlook remains dismal. Prior to the recent rain and snow fall that occurred this last week, the San Joaquin River watershed stood at just 10 percent of the average accumulated precipitation for February 1st. We remain well below the driest year of record, 1923-24.

We have cautioned our water users that without significant rain and snowfall between now and the end of March, the District could be looking at a historically small water supply. Each week that goes by without snow in the Sierra deepens our concern. We were hopeful in mid-January that DEID water users would have a minimal supply of 0.2-0.4 acre-feet per acre. **We are now advising all DEID water users that supply projections have worsened. In short, without a "fabulous February" or "miracle March" DEID water users should plan on a zero water supply for the 2014 water year.**

The Board of Directors has directed the staff to continue to work toward finding some amount of water that can be made available in 2014 if it can be done efficiently and economically. We will keep you advised of our progress. In the meantime, we continue to urge those water users with unused 2013 water supply allocations to use this water prior to the end of February. On March 1st, which is the beginning of the new water year, all unused 2013 water allocations will be lost.

Please call the District office if you wish to discuss or have further questions.

February 25, 2014

***** 2014 WATER SUPPLY UPDATE*****

Delano-Earlimart Irrigation District

The Delano-Earlimart Irrigation District board of directors has determined that the beginning of the 2014 water year will be postponed indefinitely. We continue to work on a plan that will allow delivery of a minimal amount of banked water that we have available to us. We will be sending further information and details to all water users later this week.

Please be advised that all M&I and agricultural water deliveries will be terminated on February 28, 2014. Those with turnouts still running on February 28 will have their deliveries shut off sometime during that day. All M&I turnouts will also be terminated and locked off sometime on the 28th.

We will continue to keep you advised as the water year progresses.

April 7, 2014

***** 2014 WATER SUPPLY UPDATE*****

Delano-Earlimart Irrigation District

You have an accepted 2014 Request for Water Service with the Delano-Earlimart Irrigation District for the 2014 water year. Please be advised that **water deliveries will begin on Monday, April 14, 2014.**

The anticipated daily allocation for April is 0.3 gallons per minute per acre per day. **Please submit in person or call in your final water order (661-725-2526) for the week of the 14th (Monday through Sunday) not later than this Friday at 9:00 a.m.** Fax, email, or on-line orders will **not** be accepted this year.

Please refer to your copy of the Request for Water Service that you submitted for minimum and maximum projected flow rates that you may order. Remember that the daily flow allocation is an approximation. Your actual delivery may be more or less than your ordered amount based on the final amount of water available each day and the number of acres requesting water for that day. We appreciate your patience and understanding during this very challenging water year and invite your calls at any time if you have questions.

All water must be ordered for minimum 24 hours runs or multiples of 24 hours, with no mid-run changes in flow allowed. Refer to your copy of your submitted Request for Water Service for other important terms and conditions that are a part of this year's water run.

***** 2014 WATER SUPPLY UPDATE-PRORATE INCREASE*****

DEID has obtained additional water for the next three months, resulting in an increase in the District's 2014 prorate. **Our new flow rate target allocation is 0.56 gpm/acre/day effective Monday, May 5th.** That is almost double the target allocation that we started with in April.

Our experience during April was that not all eligible acres requested water deliveries every day, thus allowing us to increase flow rates to those that were taking water. We expect that to continue, so please ready your operations to take advantage of additional water that may be available on a daily basis.

For those currently taking water through a new 2-inch meter, the prorate increase may result in your daily flow allocation being 150 gpm or greater, in which case we will make your delivery through your 8-inch meter. You will want to discuss this with Erik when placing your water orders for May 5th and beyond.

All other operational rules remain in place: submission of your water orders in person, placed not later than 9:00 am at least 24 hours in advance, orders for Saturday, Sunday, and Monday must be placed by the previous Friday, 24 hours runs or multiples of 24 hours, with no mid-run changes in flow allowed. Please contact the office if you have any questions.

From: Dale Brogan <dbrogan@deid.org>
Sent: Wednesday, February 05, 2014 9:55 AM
To: Dale Brogan
Subject: 2014 water supply update from Delano-Earlimart Irrigation District



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2014 Water Supply Update - February 3, 2014

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Please call the District office if you wish to discuss or have further questions.

Sincerely,

Dale Brogan

Dale Brogan, General Manager
Delano-Earlimart Irrigation District

Our office hours are Monday through Friday, 7:30am - 3:30pm. Our phone number is (661) 725-2526. You can also contact us through our website, www.deid.org

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DEID Newsline

Dear Dale,

2014 Water Supply Update - February 14, 2014

The water supply for the 2014 water year remains uncertain. Current data still indicates a zero allocation from the Friant project and that is what we expect to hear when the Bureau of Reclamation formally announces the initial 2014 water allocation next Friday.

The District continues to work toward developing a plan for delivering water that we have previously banked in our various banking projects. The ability to deliver that water, approximately 20,000 acre-feet, remains a work in progress with many unanswered questions and concerns that are not in the District's control. We do expect to have a plan for the 2014 water year put together and announced to our growers during the last week in February, so stay tuned.

Thank you for your patience in this most challenging year.

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**Open Letter to Congressional Delegation
-Your Signature is Needed**

The following is a request from the California Water Alliance.

There is no need to tell you the extent, severity, and challenges of the drought we are all facing as a community statewide. But our elected officials need to be told, and now is the time. I'm writing you today to urge you to join with farmers and others who support farmers statewide in demanding our elected officials do their job and lead. Tensions are too high, time is too short, the crisis is too real, and this opportunity too great to be lost to their interpersonal feuding and party line politics.

Please sign the open letter to our entire delegation by clicking on the attached link to sign your name & city by 5 pm, Saturday, February 15, 2014. Scroll to the bottom for the signature line.

[Letter to Congressional Delegation](#)

If you have friends or neighbors who may also be interested in signing, please forward this email along to them. We do expect that the letter may end up being published, so keep in mind that by signing, you are agreeing to let us publish your name as someone who supports the letter.

We're willing to get the job done, now it's time they do as well. Thank you all for helping us get the word out.

Sincerely,

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Dale Brogan, General Manager
Delano-Earlimart Irrigation District

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From: Dale Brogan <dbrogan@deid.org>
Sent: Friday, March 21, 2014 9:50 AM
To: Dale Brogan
Subject: Delano-Earlimart Irrigation District 2014 water deliveries to begin mid-April



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DEID Newsline

Dear Dale,

DEID 2014 Water Year Set To Begin Mid-April

Following a number of meetings where the Delano-Earlimart Irrigation District board of directors assessed various options available to it and heard from a number of DEID water users, an operational plan has been put together that has as its goal to make available to our growers as much water as we can in 2014. Deliveries are expected to start mid-April, with Monday, April 14th the target date to begin.

As we have stated previously, the challenge with this year's delivery is attempting to deliver a very small daily amount of available water across a district the size of DEID. We believe that we have developed an equitable and workable plan, but it is far from optimal and no where near close to normal. The primary thing to remember is that we can only make water available on a daily flow basis which cannot be banked or saved and combined with other daily allocations. If you do not use your allocated flow on any given day, it is lost for that day and the remainder of the irrigation season.

Information on our 2014 operational plan is now in the mail, sent to all

irrigation water users as well as our M&I customers. Expect to see this in your mailbox within the next couple of days.

We encourage you to read the mailing very carefully. This is a year like no other, and we have developed a unique operating plan to meet the constraints that must be taken into account. Every water user that plans to take water from DEID in 2014 must return the "Request for Water Service" form that is included in the mailing by April 1st. Without this form, no water deliveries will be made.

We expect that there will be many questions about this year's operations. We encourage you to carefully read the packet that you will be receiving shortly in the mail form DEID and then, should you have further questions or concerns, do not hesitate to call or come by the office.

Be sure you return your "Request for Water Service" form not later than April 1, 2104.

Sincerely,

Dale Brogan
Dale Brogan, General Manager
Delano-Earlimart Irrigation District

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From: Dale Brogan <dbrogan@deid.org>
Sent: Tuesday, April 08, 2014 10:05 AM
To: Dale Brogan
Subject: Notice To Growers - Water Deliveries for 2014



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DEID Newsline

Dear Dale,

Attention Water Users

****Resent with corrected Subject line****

You have an accepted 2014 Request for Water Service with the Delano-Earlimart Irrigation District for the 2014 water year. Please be advised that **water deliveries will begin on Monday, April 14, 2014.**

The anticipated daily allocation for April is 0.3 gallons per minute per acre per day. **Please submit in person or call in your final water order (661-725-2526) for the week of the 14th (Monday through Sunday) not later than this Friday at 9:00 a.m.** Fax, email, or on-line orders will not be accepted this year.

Please refer to your copy of the Request for Water Service that you submitted for minimum and maximum projected flow rates that you may order. Remember that the daily flow allocation is an approximation. Your actual delivery may be more or less than your ordered amount based on the final amount of water available each day and the number of acres requesting water for that day. We appreciate

~~your patience and understanding during this very challenging water year and invite your calls at any time if you have questions.~~

All water must be ordered for minimum 24 hours runs or multiples of 24 hours, with no mid-run changes in flow allowed. Refer to your copy of your submitted Request for Water Service for other important terms and conditions that are a part of this year's water run.

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Subject: Increase Announced in 2014 Prorate - Sending mail server found on bl.spamcop.net



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DEID Newsline

Dear Dale,

Attention Water Users

DEID has obtained additional water for the next three months, resulting in an increase in the District's 2014 prorate. **Our new flow rate target allocation is 0.56 gpm/acre/day effective Monday, May 5th.** That is almost double the target allocation that we started with in April.

Our experience during April was that not all eligible acres requested water deliveries every day, thus allowing us to increase flow rates to those that were taking water. We expect that to continue, so please ready your operations to take advantage of additional water that may be available on a daily basis.

For those currently taking water through a new 2-inch meter, the prorate increase may result in your daily flow allocation being 150 gpm or greater, in which case we will make your delivery

through your 8-inch meter. You will want to discuss this with Erik when placing your water orders for May 5th and beyond.

All other operational rules remain in place: submission of your water orders in person, placed not later than 9:00 am at least 24 hours in advance, orders for Saturday, Sunday, and Monday must be placed by the previous Friday, 24 hours runs or multiples of 24 hours, with no mid-run changes in flow allowed. Please contact the office if you have any questions.

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From: Dale Brogan <dbrogan@deid.org>
Sent: Wednesday, June 04, 2014 4:11 PM
To: Dale Brogan
Subject: Projected DEID monthly water supply



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DEID Newsline

Dear Dale,

Attention Water Users

This email is to update our DEID water users with the latest projections of water supply by month for the remainder of the 2014 water year.

DEID had approximately 3,600 acre-feet available for delivery during May. That gave our water users a target allocation of 0.56 gallons per minute per acre per day. For June, July, and August, we expect the same amount will be available in each of those months as well.

We anticipate a smaller amount for September and October: approximately 2,900 acre-feet in each of those months.

The District anticipates no water deliveries for November through the following February unless we receive significant rain and snow during the winter months.

A reminder that not all eligible acres take water every day, meaning that we do have days where extra water is available. Please be sure to let Erik know if you can take additional water when you place your water orders.

Our goal remains to serve our growers as best we can in this difficult water year. Please do not hesitate to call if we can help or if you have any questions.

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From: Dale Brogan <dbrogan@deid.org>
Sent: Wednesday, June 25, 2014 4:20 PM
To: Dale Brogan
Subject: 2014 Prorate Decrease Announced



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DEID Newsline

Dear Dale,

Attention DEID Water Users

DEID is announcing a decrease in its projected 2014 water supply prorate for the foreseeable future. **Our new flow rate target allocation is 0.45 gpm/acre/day effective immediately.** This is a decrease from the 0.56 gpm/acre/day prorate that had been in effect since May 1st.

This decrease is the result of what is occurring throughout the District: a drop in well production. The yield from our recovery wells at the Turnipseed Basin Water Banking Project, part of our 2014 water supply, have dropped by 14 percent since June 1st. We can only hope that this trend does not continue.

Remember that we do have days where there is extra water in the system. No guarantees of course, but we encourage you to ready your operations to take advantage of additional water that may be available on a daily basis.

All other operational rules remain in place. Please contact the office if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

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February 21, 2014

Dear Water User:

Water Supply Update

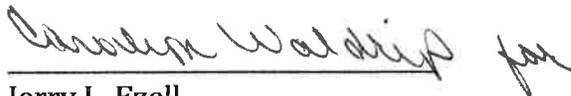
This is a follow-up to my January 16, 2014 letter regarding the water supply outlook for the water year starting March 1, 2014. The continued lack of rain and snow has resulted in a record year of drought for California.

On February 21, 2014 the Bureau of Reclamation declared a zero percent allocation to the district. This means that unless the weather pattern changes, it is very likely the district will not receive any water from our contract supply for the entire 2014 water year. This has never happened in the history of the federal project. The drought is considerably worse than the drought year of 1977. This is the third straight year that California has received less than the normal expected rainfall and that has resulted in very little water in the reservoirs and lakes.

During the 2014 water year the district will not have supplemental water available for purchase from the district. The district will have a supply of previously stored water from North Kern Water Storage District. This water will be allocated at 5% of the water user's base and will be available during the months of March, April and possibly a portion of May. It is anticipated this water will not be available in the heat of the hottest of the summer months June, July and possibly August. **Please check your March 31st billing statement** that will be sent to each water user showing the acre-feet of water available for your 2014 use. You may also contact the office after March 1st to get your allotment. The district water rate will be **\$150.00 per acre-foot**.

Starting in March all requests for water will be subject to the water available to the district on any given day. Daily water request will be approved on a first come first serve basis. Please be patient with the dispatcher as he manages the water requests verses available supply during this untypical water supply year. For this year, it is important that water requests be on a 48 hour notice and not the normal 24 hour notice.

Sincerely,



Jerry L. Ezell
General Manager

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May 15, 2014

Water Users,

The District has two special water supplies at a limited supply and flow rate, an **EMERGENCY SUPPLY** and a **SPECIAL 2014 SUMMER SUPPLY**. In addition the following rates are applied to **2" OUTLET USE**.

EMERGENCY SUPPLY

1. Limited Supply on a daily basis. Approximately 10 CFS over the entire District
 - a. First-come-first-served with following limitations:
 - i. 7.5 GPM/Acre maximum per turnout
 - ii. 5 days maximum continuous use
 - iii. 10 days maximum use per month
2. The cost to the water users is
 - a. \$150/Acft if water user is below 5% allocation. (water use come out of allocation)
 - b. \$680/Acft if water user is above 5% allocation.
3. May not be available on a daily basis. Typically the District will know with 48 hours' notice but the District cannot warrantee that this supply will be deliverable.

SPECIAL 2014 SUMMER SUPPLY

The District has a limited amount available of Special 2014 Summer Supply left over after the allocation process. This water will be on a first-come-first-serve basis for those who come in and pay for the water up front. The conditions of use of the water are the same as the water previously allocated.

1. The cost to the water users is \$680/Acft.
2. The water will be run on the following periods:
 - a. May 26 thru May 30
 - b. June 16 thru June 20
 - c. July 7 thru July 11
 - d. July 28 thru August 1

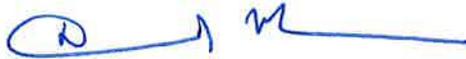
- e. Water users must take one quarter of their allocation in each period or lose it. Water users may transfer this water among other water users to minimize the impact the required time of use.

2" OUTLET USE

Usage of the 2" outlets will be billed as follows:

1. \$150/Acft if water user is below 5% allocation. (water use come out of allocation)
2. \$680/Acft if water user is above 5% allocation.
3. \$780/Acft for any usage above 0.5 Acft per month.

Very truly yours,



DANA S. MUNN
General Manager



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Notice to All Water Users

2014 Water Supply

January 13, 2014

First and foremost I would like to wish you a Happy New Year and to thank you for your cooperation as we bring the 2013 water year to a close. With regard to current operations, the District will continue recovery operations to January 31, 2014. Once recovery operations are complete, the District will initiate rehabilitation work on many of our District facilities to prepare for a dry 2014.

2014 Water Supply

With regard to our 2014 Water Supply, we are faced with the specter of yet another dry year for 2014. This will be the third consecutive dry year for the State and the State Water Project (SWP). On November 19, 2013, the California Department of Water Resources (DWR) announced an initial 5% allocation for State Water Contractors. At the January 8, 2014 Board Meeting the Board of Directors directed staff to add an additional 10% to the Contract Water Supply which will bring the current Contract allocation to 15%. We will keep you informed as to any changes to our 2014 water supply.

If our 5% SWP allocation holds, Semitropic will only receive 5% or 7,750 Acre feet of our 155,000 Acre-foot contractual annual entitlement from the State Water Project. Therefore, all Landowners and Water Users are **advised to prepare for a significantly dry 2014** and are hereby noticed that **the District will not be offering Non-Contract Water Service nor will the Landowners be able to create internal bank accounts**. Furthermore, given the critically dry conditions we are facing, **it is expected that our Banking Partners will request maximum recovery from the Semitropic Water Bank during the 2014 Recovery Period**.

As previously stated, **District Landowners will not be able to create internal bank accounts this year**. The District will facilitate the wheeling of water to the extent possible for use on your own land. If you intend to use District facilities to wheel groundwater within the District, please note that **the ability to wheel groundwater is limited to available capacity and that your pump-in must match your in-District demand**. Therefore, you must contact the District Dispatcher prior to pumping into the District. Requests to pump in for Tuesday through Friday must be called in by 8am the day before. Requests to pump in for Saturday through Monday must be called in by 8am Friday. A failure to notify the District for authorization to pump in will be treated as an unauthorized change and you will be charged accordingly and you may be liable for damages should your unauthorized act result in any damage to District facilities or District landowners.

Please keep in contact with our Dispatcher if you have any questions regarding the status of the District's water supply or restrictions relative to wheeling capacity. Thank you for your continued cooperation and we will do all that we can to serve your water needs.

Jason Gianquinto
 General Manager

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Notice to Water Users
2014 Water Supply
February 3, 2014

2014 Water supply:

On January 31, 2014 the State Department of Water Resources issued notice that the allocation for State Water Contractors is reduced to 0%. A 0% allocation to all State Water Contractors is unprecedented in the history of the State Water Project and is a reflection of the fact that 2014 is turning out to be the driest year on record for California. Despite the 0% allocation, **the District will maintain the 15% allocation to our Contract Water Users through the use of the District's banked water assets.**

System Shutdown:

On Wednesday February 5th PG&E will be shutting down the District's principal point of service from 6:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Therefore, the District will be unable to provide any water service or electrical service to those growers that receive District power. We expect to have the majority of the District back on-line Thursday, February 6th with the exception of the East Plant (Turnouts S-67 to S-133) which is expected to be back on-line by Friday, February 7th.

We apologize for the inconvenience and will work diligently to minimize the length of the system shutdown. If you have specific needs during the shutdown, please call the District Dispatcher to see if there is a way that the District can assist in meeting your water needs.

Please keep in contact with our Dispatcher if you have any questions regarding the status of the District's water supply or restrictions relative to wheeling capacity.

Thank you for your continued cooperation and we will do all that we can to serve your water needs.

/s/ Jason Gianquinto, General Manager