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Subject: Summary of San Joaquin River diversion report for West Stanislaus Irrigation District

During the year of 2011, West Stanislaus irrigation District (WSID) diverted under its license #003957 a total of 60,471 acre-feet of water at a maximum rate of 245 cubic feet per second. WSID is unable to divert all of the water to which it is entitled from the San Joaquin River pursuant to its license for several reasons. First, water levels during the summer period have been reduced by operation of the Central Valley Project Friant Division, and low water levels prevent the district from pumping the full diversion amount to which it is entitled. Additionally, pumping and mechanicals failure during the irrigation season sometimes limit the district's ability to utilize its licensed right. Also, water quality problems restrict the use of the district's appropriative rights for some purposes. WSID obtains water from the Central Valley Project and also draws from groundwater to accommodate for these problems. These additional amounts of water provided by the CVP and groundwater, as set forth below, should be added to the total amount of water appropriated by the district, and be counted towards its maximum beneficial use under its license.

Table 1. 2011 Diversions for West Stanislaus Irrigation District.

Month	WSID SJR Diverted Vol, AF	CVP Diverted Vol, AF	Ground Water Diversions, AF	*Total SJR Appropriations, AF
January	0	0	0	0
February	121	788	0	909
March	1,024	1	0	1,025
April	6,429	0	0	6,429
May	10,387	83	0	10,470
June	9,111	337	0	9,448
July	11,814	2,810	0	14,624
August	11,055	1,842	0	12,897
September	6,514	0	0	6,514
October	1,415	0	0	1,415
November	1,750	0	0	1,750
December	851	0	0	851
Total	60,471	5,861	0	66,332

*2011 SJR Diversion Including CVP Diversions, and Ground Water Diversions.

In addition, the amounts shown in the tables on pages 1 and 2 do not include (1) the amounts that would have been used on fallow land, (2) canal evaporation, and (3) conservation, which WSID is entitled to count as a part of its beneficial use of water pursuant to California law. WSID is in the process of calculating those amounts

In addition, in 1928 WSID entered into an agreement with Burkhard Investment Company¹ as amended June 7, 1939, wherein the parties acknowledged that the Burkhard lands had installed diversion and irrigation works to divert 45 cfs of riparian water for irrigation of riparian land. In that agreement, WSID agreed to “pump the said water to which the [Burkhard land] is entitled. . .” for irrigation. That agreement is still binding between the parties, and imposes upon WSID the continuing obligation to dedicate 45 cfs of pumping capacity to the Burkhard riparian lands. Water diversion and use for the White Lakes Mutual Water Company is represented by a Statement of Water Diversion and Use filed by that entity.

¹ The White Lake Mutual Water Company was formed on September 11, 1941, and represents the Burkhard properties by virtue of its Articles of Incorporation and Bylaws.