
State Water Resources Control Board

SEVENTH AMENDED NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The State Water Resources Control Board
Administrative Hearings Office is holding
a Public Hearing on the pending Petitions for Change of Water Right
Permits 16478, 16479, 16481, and 16482
(Applications 5630, 14443, 14445A, and 17512, respectively) of the

Department of Water Resources.

The case-in-chief portion of the Public Hearing
will continue on September 15, 18, 19, 22, 29, & 30,
and October 1, 6, 9, 10, 14, 15, 16 (reserved for site visit), 20, 23, 27,
28, & 29, 2025.

All hearing days begin at 9:00 a.m., unless otherwise indicated,
and will be held by Zoom Webinar. Representatives of parties will receive an individual
invitation to join the hearing by e-mail from Zoom.

**Parties or interested members of the public who would like to watch this hearing
without participating may do so through the Administrative Hearings Office
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LANGUAGE SERVICES AND ACCESSIBILITY:

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PURPOSE OF HEARING

The State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board or Board) Administrative Hearings Office (AHO) is conducting a public hearing about the Delta Conveyance Project. The purpose of the hearing is to gather evidence that the State Water Board will consider to determine whether to approve change petitions filed by the Department of Water Resources (DWR or Petitioner) to add two new points of diversion and rediversion to water right Permits 16478, 16479, 16481, and 16482 (Applications 5630, 14443, 14445A, and 17512, respectively) (SWP Permits) and, if so, terms and conditions the Board should include in the amended permits.

BACKGROUND

On February 22, 2024, the State Water Board's Division of Water Rights (Division) received petitions for change from DWR to add two new points of diversion and points of rediversion to water right Permits 16478, 16479, 16481, and 16482, which are associated with the State Water Project (SWP). The proposed new points of diversion and points of rediversion would consist of screened intakes 2.3 miles apart located on the lower Sacramento River between Freeport and Sutter Slough. The proposed new intakes are part of the Delta Conveyance Project, which would allow DWR to divert water from the Sacramento River in the northern portion of the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta Estuary (Delta) and convey the water through a tunnel to existing water distribution facilities in the southern Delta. A more detailed description of the Delta Conveyance Project and the associated petitions for change can be found in the July 31, 2024 Notice of Public Hearing.

This hearing is being conducted in accordance with the procedural requirements in the July 31, 2024 Notice of Public Hearing as amended by subsequent rulings and notices.

REVISIONS TO HEARING DATES

The AHO has scheduled additional case-in-chief hearing days on **October 20, 23, 27, 28, & 29, 2025**. The AHO reserves **October 16, 2025**, as a tentative date for a site visit. The AHO will issue a separate notice with information about the site visit upon confirmation of an itinerary and dates.

HEARING SCHEDULE AND DEADLINES

Deadlines / Schedule	Date and Time
Hearing continues with remaining parties' cases-in-chief.	September 15, 18, 19, 22, 29, & 30, and October 1, 6, 9, 10, 14, 15, 16 (reserved for site visit), 20, 23, 27, 28, & 29, 2025, starting at 9:00 a.m.
Deadline for Protestants to submit written offer of exhibits into the evidentiary record.	November 3, 2025.
Deadline for evidentiary objections to Protestants' offer of exhibits.	November 17, 2025.

Deadline for replies to evidentiary objections to Protestants' offer of exhibits.	December 1, 2025.
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Date: September 12, 2025



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