



State Water Resources Control Board



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NOTICE OF PETITIONS FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

PERMITS 15254 AND 15255
(APPLICATIONS 16950 AND 21443)

PETITIONS FILED: June 17, 2004

STREAM SYSTEM: Big Grizzly Creek

COUNTY: Plumas

Notice is hereby given that the California Department of Water Resources (DWR) filed petitions for extension of time for Permits 15254 and 15255. The State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) will determine whether an order approving the time extensions should be issued for permitted Applications 16950 and 21443, if so, whether conditions are needed in the permits to protect the environment, the public interest, and downstream water users. This notice provides a description of the project and also describes the procedure and time frame for submittal of protests against the petitions. This notice may be viewed at the Division of Water Rights' (Division) website at www.waterboards.ca.gov. Any correspondence directed to the petitioners should be mailed to:

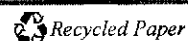
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Description of Project: Water is collected to storage in an onstream reservoir, behind a 115-foot high earth dam, creating the 84,371 acre-feet (af) capacity Lake Davis (aka Grizzly Valley Reservoir). Water is released through the dam outlet works for streamflow enhancement purposes and for irrigation to supply prior water right holders recognized by DWR. Water is also released via a 16-inch pipeline and conveyed from the reservoir to a water treatment plant for delivery to the City of Portola and the Grizzly Lake Retreat Improvement District.

Summary of PERMIT 15254 (APPLICATION 16950):

County: Plumas.
Source: Big Grizzly Creek tributary to Middle Fork Feather River.
Point of
Diversion: Grizzly Valley Dam: North 204,280 feet and East 2,427,790 feet, California Coordinate System, Zone 1, within NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of section 2, T23N, R13E, MDB&M.

California Environmental Protection Agency



Point of

Rediversion: Grizzly Ice Pond: North 187,900 feet and East 2,441,300 feet, California Coordinate System, Zone 1.

Amount: 49,000 af per year.

Season: October 1 to June 30.

Purpose: Municipal, recreational, incidental domestic, irrigation, streamflow enhancement.

Place of Use: Recreational and incidental domestic uses at Lake Davis and adjacent lands in T23N and T24N, R13E, MDB&M; enhancement of streamflow, recreational and incidental domestic uses in the natural channel of Big Grizzly Creek downstream from the reservoir; municipal use in Plumas County urban areas; and irrigation of 9,300 net acres within a gross area of 1,645,000 acres in Plumas County, as shown on map filed with the State Water Board.

Summary of PERMIT 15255 (APPLICATION 21443):

County: Plumas.

Source: Big Grizzly Creek tributary to Middle Fork Feather River.

Point of

Diversion: Grizzly Valley Dam: North 204,280 feet and East 2,427,790 feet, California Coordinate System, Zone 1, within NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of section 2, T23N, R13E, MDB&M.

Point of

Rediversion: Grizzly Ice Pond: North 187,900 feet and East 2,441,300 feet, California Coordinate System, Zone 1.

Amount: 34,000 af per year.

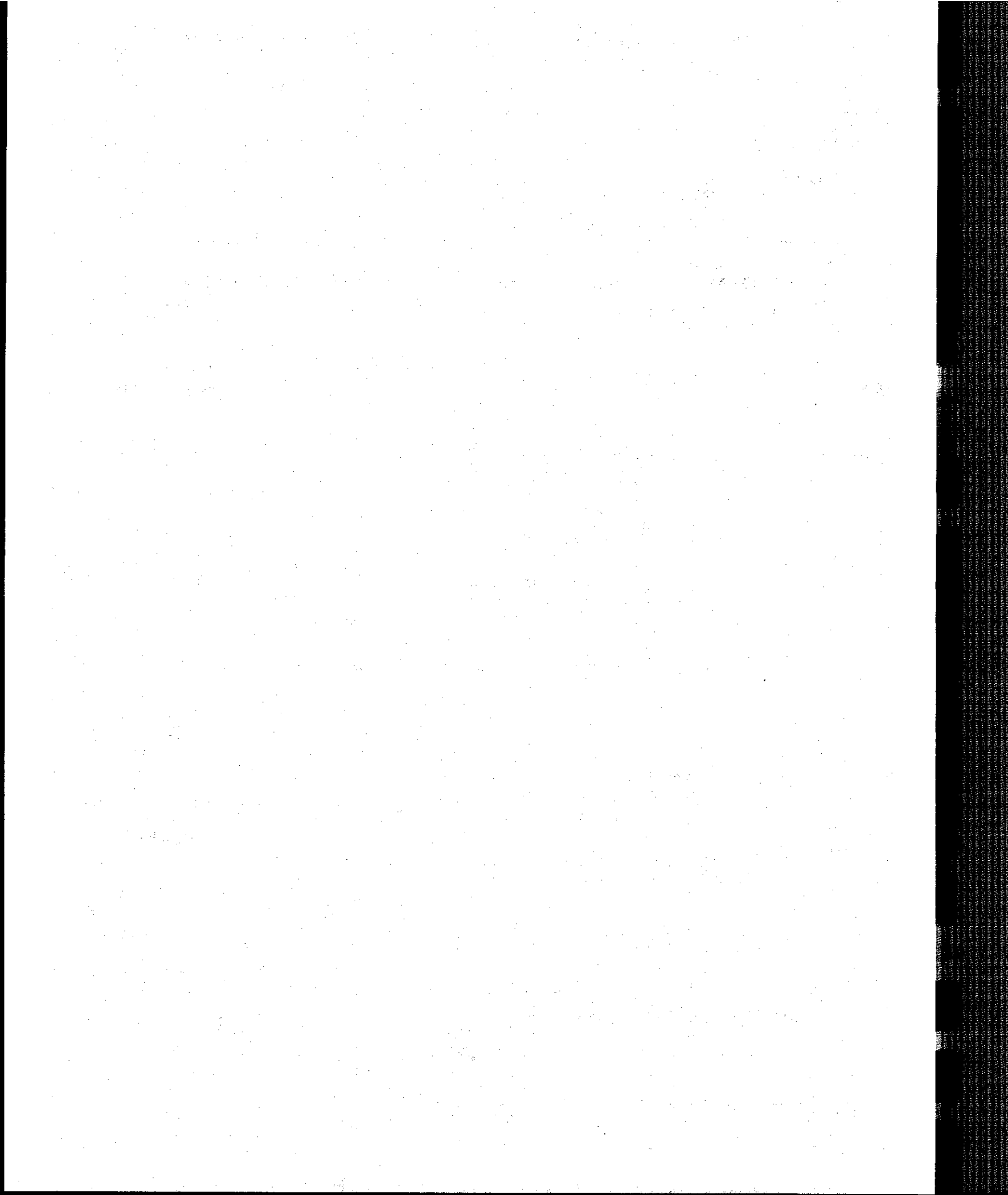
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Petition Summary for Permits 15254 and 15255.

The Petitioner filed a petition for extension of time for Permits 15254 and 15255. The State Water Project facilities at Lake Davis are complete and no further construction is required as part of the petition for time extension. DWR seeks additional time to put the water developed under Permits 15254 and 15255 to beneficial use at Lake Davis and within Plumas County. DWR anticipates that water use at Lake Davis will increase in the future as the area continues to develop. Diversion to storage at Lake Davis is dependent on end of season storage and specific hydrologic



conditions in any particular year. Diversions to storage have not reached maximum permitted quantities. DWR's current operations at Lake Davis are impacted by the California Department of Fish and Game's (DFG) efforts to control Northern Pike discovered at Lake Davis in 1994. DWR indicates that if it is called upon by DFG at a future date to drain Lake Davis for Northern Pike control, limiting the ability of DWR to divert water to storage could impact the ability to refill the lake.

DWR seeks a 20-year extension of time.

Environmental Information

DWR prepared a Notice of Exemption dated August 17, 2004 for the petitions. If you are not filing a protest, but wish to submit information that indicates the project may cause a significant effect on the environment, please send this information to Steven Herrera, State Water Board, Division of Water Rights; P.O. Box 2000; Sacramento, CA 95812-2000. This information will be reviewed in accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act.

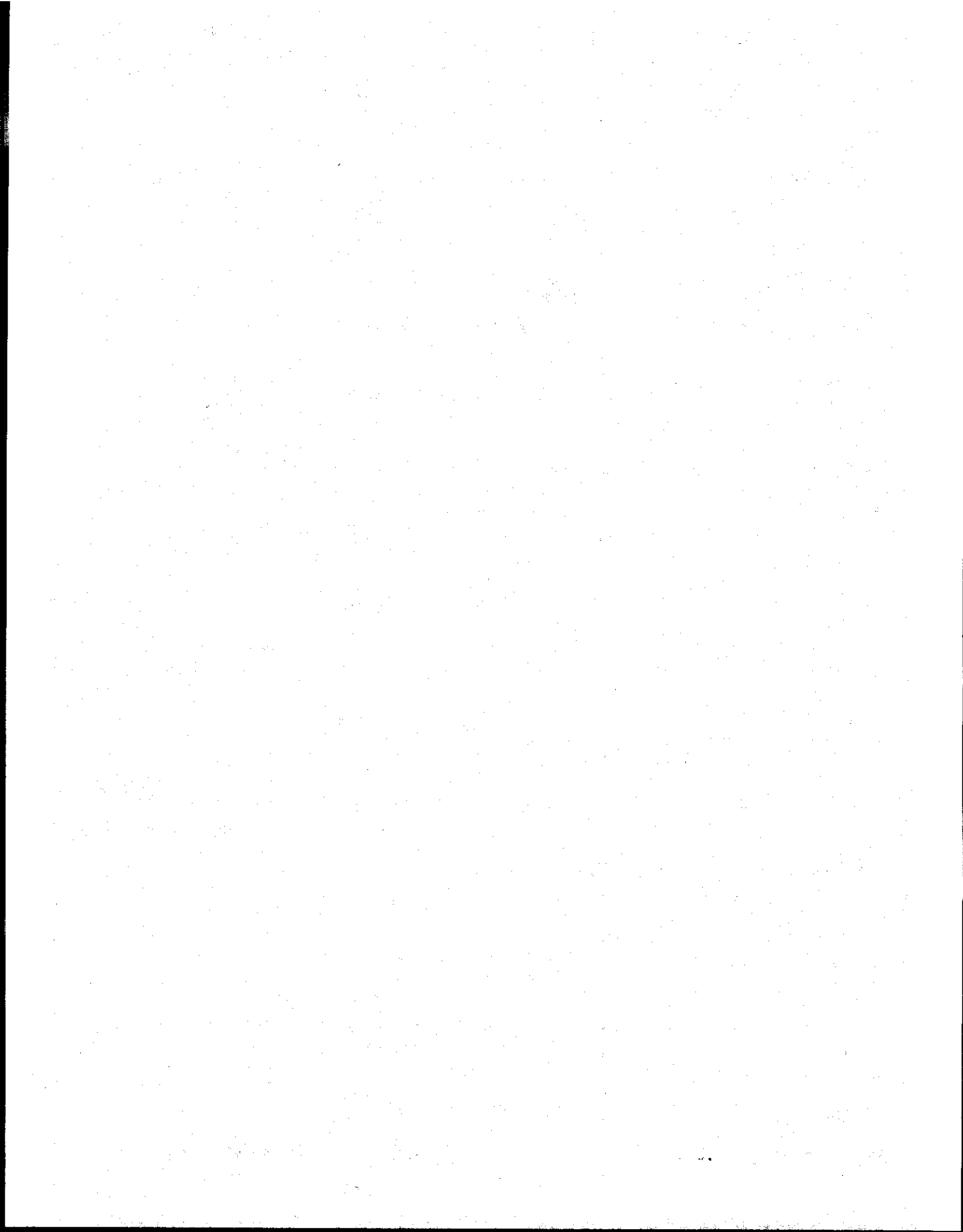
PROTEST SUBMITTAL INFORMATION

Protest Requirements

A person may file a protest based on any of the following factors:

- Interference with prior water rights.
- Adverse environmental impact.
- Not in the public interest.
- Contrary to law.
- Not within the jurisdiction of the State Water Board.

All protests must clearly describe the objections to approval of the petition, and the factual basis for those objections. For example, if the objection is based on injury to existing water rights, the protest must describe the specific injury to the existing water right that would result from approval of the changes proposed by the petition. In addition, the party claiming injury to prior water rights must provide specific information that describes the basis of the existing right, the date the use began, the quantity of water use, the purpose of use, and the place of use. Protests based on environmental impacts, public interest, legality, or jurisdictional issues must be accompanied by a statement of facts supporting the basis of the protest. If sufficient information is not submitted, the State Water Board may reject the protest or request that the protestant submit additional information. Protests of a general nature (not project specific) or protests that are inconsistent with constitutional or legislated state policy will not be accepted. A request for information or a request that studies be conducted does not constitute a protest. **The Division will not accept protests that are directed against the underlying water right, rather than the change proposed by the petition.**



Procedure for Submitting Protests

Protests should be submitted on standard protest forms available from the Division of Water Rights' website at www.waterboards.ca.gov/forms/ or upon request from the Division of Water Rights. A pamphlet that provides additional information relating to water rights and the procedure for filing protests is also available on the website or by mail. Any requests or the submittal of the completed protest form should be directed to the engineer listed as the contact person at the end of this notice. **A copy of the completed protest form must also be mailed to the petitioner and should include a description of any measures that could be taken to resolve the protest.**

Protest Submittal Deadline

Protests submitted in response to this notice must be received by the Division by 3:00 p.m. on the 30th day after the date of this notice (the close of the protest period). Protests may be submitted by any of the following methods:

1. Mailed to Division of Water Rights; P. O. Box 2000; Sacramento, CA 95812-2000
2. Faxed to the Division at (916) 341-5400
3. E-mailed to the engineer listed below under the heading "Contact Person"
4. Hand-delivered to the Division office located at 1001 "I" Street, 14th Floor, Sacramento, CA

If you choose to fax or email the protest due to the constraints of the noticing period, the fax or email must be followed by timely delivery of an original signed copy, either personally or by mail, to the Division of Water Rights in order for the protest to be accepted. The State Water Board will respond to all protests within 60 days of the final day to file a protest. **Protests not submitted by the close of the protest period will be subject to rejection.**

For good cause, the State Water Board may grant an extension of time to file a protest. It is the protestant's responsibility to contact the engineer listed below as "Contact Person" to request the extension prior to the end of the protest period.

Resolution of Protests

The petitioners will have 30 days to respond to a protest once it is accepted by the Division. The protestant and the applicant are expected to make a good faith effort to resolve the protest within 180 days from the close of the protest period.

CONTACT PERSON

To obtain additional information regarding this project, or to obtain copies of protest forms, or general information pamphlets, please contact Katherine Mrowka by phone at (916) 341-5363 or by electronic mail at kmrowka@waterboards.ca.gov. Information and protest forms are also available at the Division's website: www.waterboards.ca.gov/forms/.

Date of Notice:

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