



# State Water Resources Control Board



## Division of Water Rights

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### RE-NOTICE OF PETITIONS FOR CHANGE FOR PERMITS 16755A, 20488, AND 20518 (APPLICATION 24300A, 29562, 29628)

COUNTY: Sonoma

STREAM SYSTEM: Russian River

Merlo Corporation (Petitioner) filed amended petitions for change in the points of diversion (PORDs), place of use, and reductions in the project on November 14, 2008. Any correspondence directed at the Petitioner should be mailed to Wagner & Bonsignore, c/o Nicholas F. Bonsignore, P.E., 2151 River Plaza Drive, Suite 100, Sacramento, CA, 95833. If email is preferred, please send to [nfbonsignore@wbecorp.com](mailto:nfbonsignore@wbecorp.com)

#### Summary of Permit 16755A (A024300A) and Amended Petition for Change

Source:	Fall Creek tributary to Dry Creek thence the Russian River
Point of Diversion (POD)/PORD:	<b>Present:</b> Merlo Reservoir within the SW <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub> of SE <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub> of Section 20, T10N, R10W, MDB&M <b>Proposed:</b> The addition of PO RD 1 - Reservoir 1 within the NW <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub> of SE <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub> of Section 20, and PO RD 2 – Timberlake Reservoir (Reservoir 2) within the NW <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub> of NE <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub> of Section 30, both within T10N, R10W, MDB&M. PO RD 1 is currently an authorized POD under Permit 20488 and PO RD 2 has been requested as a POD under pending Application 31254.
Amount:	1 cubic foot per second (cfs) by direct diversion for irrigation and stockwatering and 275 acre feet per annum (afa) by storage for all listed uses. The total amount taken under Permits 16755A and 16755B is not to exceed 550 afa.
Season:	Direct diversion: April 15 to October 30 of each year Storage: November 1 of each year to April 30 of the succeeding year
Purpose of Use:	<b>Present:</b> Irrigation, frost protection, stockwatering, and recreation <b>Proposed:</b> The elimination of frost protection
Place of Use:	<b>Present:</b> 84.4 acres within SE <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub> of Section 19, SW <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub> of Section 20, and NW <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub> and NE <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub> of Section 29, and uses at Merlo Reservoir within SW <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub> of SE <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub> and SE <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub> of SW <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub> of Section 20 and NE <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub> of NW <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub> of Section 29, all within R10N, R10W, MDB&M <b>Proposed:</b> 163.6 acres within SE <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub> of Section 19, NW <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub> , NE <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub> , SW <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub> , and SE <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub> of Section 20, NW <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub> and NE <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub> of Section 29, and NE <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub> of Section 30, all within R10N, R10W, MDB&M. The Petitioner has also requested to amend the description of Merlo Reservoir to indicate stockwatering and recreational uses within SW <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub> and SE <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub> of Section 20, and NW <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub> and NE <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub> of Section 29, R10N, R10W, MDB&M. There will be no change to the POD.

Summary of Permit 20488 (A029562) and Amended Petition for Change

Source:	Unnamed Stream tributary to Fall Creek thence Dry Creek thence the Russian River
POD:	Reservoir 1 within NW <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub> of SE <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub> of Section 20, T10N, R10W, MDB&M
Amount:	<b>Present:</b> 0.63 cfs by direct diversion and 49 afa by storage. The total amount to be taken from the source shall not to exceed 52.5 afa. <b>Proposed:</b> The elimination of 0.63 cfs by direct diversion and the reduction of the storage amount from 49 afa to the current capacity of the reservoir (to be determined)
Season:	<b>Present:</b> Direct diversion: November 1 of each year to February 29 of the succeeding year Storage: October 1 of each year to May 31 of the succeeding year <b>Proposed:</b> The elimination of the direct diversion season
Purpose of Use:	<b>Present:</b> Irrigation and heat control <b>Proposed:</b> The elimination of heat control
Place of Use:	<b>Present:</b> 50 acres within NW <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub> and NE <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub> of Section 20, T10N, R10W, MDB&M <b>Proposed:</b> 68.7 acres within NW <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub> , NE <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub> , SW <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub> , and SE <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub> of Section 20, T10N, R10W, MDB&M

Summary of Permit 20518 (A029628) and Amended Petition for Change

Source:	Fall Creek tributary to Dry Creek thence the Russian River
POD/PORD:	<b>Present:</b> Merlo Reservoir within the SW <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub> of SE <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub> of Section 20, T10N, R10W, MDB&M <b>Proposed:</b> The addition of PORD 1 - Reservoir 1 within the NW <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub> of SE <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub> of Section 20, and PORD 2 – Timberlake Reservoir (Reservoir 2) within the NW <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub> of NE <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub> of Section 30, both within T10N, R10W, MDB&M. PORD 1 is currently an authorized POD under Permit 20488 and PORD 2 has been requested as a POD under pending Application 31254.
Amount:	150 afa by storage
Season:	March 15 to June 30 of each year
Purpose of Use:	Irrigation
Place of Use:	<b>Present:</b> 56.3 acres within NE <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub> of SE <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub> of Section 19, SW <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub> of Section 20, NE <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub> of Section 29, and NE <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub> of Section 30, all within T10W, R10W, MDB&M <b>Proposed:</b> 163.6 acres within SE <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub> of Section 19, NW <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub> , NE <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub> , SW <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub> , and SE <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub> of Section 20, NW <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub> and NE <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub> of Section 29, and NE <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub> of Section 30, all within R10N, R10W, MDB&M

Project information, procedures for protesting and protest forms are available at: [http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/waterrights/water\\_issues/programs/applications/](http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/waterrights/water_issues/programs/applications/). The contact person for this matter is Jennifer Dick-McFadden at (916) 322-8568, or by e-mail at [jdick-mcfadden@waterboards.ca.gov](mailto:jdick-mcfadden@waterboards.ca.gov)

Protests must be received by the Division of Water Rights by **4:30 p.m. on May 24, 2010**  
**Date of Notice: April 8, 2010**