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## State Water Resources Control Board

### Notice of Petition for Change for Water Right Permit 2452 (Application A003544)

The Montague Water Conservation District has filed a petition for change of a water right permit with the State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board), Division of Water Rights. The permit is referenced in paragraph 287 of Decree No. 7035 issued by the Siskiyou County Superior Court on December 30, 1932 (Shasta River Decree). The project associated with the petition is in Siskiyou County and diverts water from the Shasta River stream system.

The petition is part of a group of petitions that have been filed as part of a Safe Harbor Agreement process being coordinated with the National Marine Fisheries Service and the California Department of Fish and Wildlife. Collectively, the proposed actions described in the petitions are intended to improve fish habitat conditions in the upper Shasta River watershed.

#### Summary of Water Right Permit 2452 and Proposed Changes

**Source of Water:** The source of water is the Shasta River, which is tributary to the Klamath River.

**Amount:** The maximum amount of water that may be diverted to storage in Dwinnell Reservoir is 35,000 acre-feet per year.

**Season of Diversion:** The season for diversion of water is from October 1 of each year to June 15 of the succeeding year.

**Point of Diversion:** The point where water is diverted is Dwinnell Dam located at North 2,444,900 feet and East 6,459,200 feet by California Coordinate System, Zone 1, North American Datum 1983, within the Northwest quarter of the Southwest quarter of Section 25, Township 43 North, Range 5 West, Mount Diablo Base and Meridian.

The petition proposes to add three points of rediversion, as described below:

- A point on the Shasta River located near the City of Montague at North 2,503,900 feet and East 6,416,000 feet by California Coordinate System, Zone 1, North American Datum 1983, within the Northwest quarter of the Southwest quarter of Section 34, Township 45 North, Range 6 West, Mount Diablo Base and Meridian.

- Shasta River Decree point of diversion 158 (Hidden Valley Ranch) located at North 2,447,545 feet and East 6,457,082 feet by California Coordinate System, Zone 1, North American Datum 1983, within the Northeast quarter of the Northeast quarter of Section 26, Township 43 North, Range 5 West, Mount Diablo Base and Meridian.
- Shasta River Decree point of diversion 165 (Hole in the Ground Ranch) located at North 2,454,862 feet and East 6,449,595 feet by California Coordinate System, Zone 1, North American Datum 1983, within the Northeast quarter of the Northwest quarter of Section 22, Township 43 North, Range 5 West, Mount Diablo Base and Meridian.

**Purpose of Use:** The purpose of use for water is irrigation.

The petition proposes to add municipal, industrial, and stockwatering, as well as fish and wildlife preservation and enhancement in a portion of the Shasta River as purposes of use.

**Place of Use:** The place of use for water is 19,500 acres for irrigation within the Montague Water Conservation District service area.

The petition proposes to make the following changes to the place of use:

- Add the City of Montague as a place of use for municipal and industrial uses.
- Add 143.8 acres of the Hidden Valley Ranch for irrigation and stockwatering uses, located within sections 22, 23, and 26, all within Township 43 North, Range 5 West, Mount Diablo Base and Meridian.
- Add 203.2 acres of the Hole in the Ground Ranch for irrigation and stockwatering uses, located within sections 16, 17, and 21, all within Township 43 North, Range 5 West, Mount Diablo Base and Meridian.
- Add a portion of the Shasta River for fish and wildlife preservation and enhancement use. The upstream limit would be a point on the Shasta River located at Shasta River Decree point of diversion 249. The downstream limit would be a point on the Shasta River located at North 2,494,277 feet and East 6,423,313 feet by California Coordinate System, Zone 1, North American Datum 1983, within the Northeast quarter of the Southwest quarter of Section 11, Township 44 North, Range 6 West, Mount Diablo Base and Meridian.

## **Water Rights Records Database**

Documentation related to the petition is available by accessing the State Water Board's electronic Water Rights Information Management System (eWRIMS) database:

- Go to <https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/ewrims/>

- Select “eWRIMS Database System” to open the eWRIMS Database
- Select “Accept” to accept the Public Records Act notice
- Select “Water Rights Records Search”
- Enter the record number in the “Application ID” field, then select “Search”
- Select the record number on the left side of the results to open the record
  - Select “View Document” to see the record and related documentation
  - Select “View Map” to see the record map
  - Select the “Map It” button to open the record in the eWRIMS Geographic Information System viewer

## Procedure for Filing Protests

Pursuant to Water Code section 1703.1, any interested person may file a protest against the approval of the petition. Protests must be received by the Division of Water Rights by **4:30 p.m. on August 27, 2021**, with copy provided to the petitioner. The State Water Board may, for good cause shown, allow additional time to file a protest. For more information regarding protests, please refer to the following web page:

[https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/waterrights/water\\_issues/programs/applications/docs/protests.pdf](https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/waterrights/water_issues/programs/applications/docs/protests.pdf)

## Contact Information

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**Date of Notice:** The date that this public notice was issued is July 28, 2021.