

State Water Resources Control Board

NOTICE OF PETITIONS FOR CHANGE FOR WATER RIGHT LICENSES 7543 AND 12624 (APPLICATIONS 16124 AND 16761) AND PERMIT 21089 (APPLICATION 30532) OF MONTEREY COUNTY WATER RESOURCES AGENCY

COUNTIES: Monterey, San Luis Obispo STREAM SYSTEM: Salinas River

On April 1, 2021, Monterey County Water Resources Agency (Agency) filed petitions for change for water right Licenses 7543 and 12624 (Applications 16124 and 16761) and Permit 21089 (Application 30532) with the State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board), Division of Water Rights (Division). Following is a summary of the Licenses and Permit and the changes requested with the petitions.

Summary of License 7543 and Permit 21089 and Proposed Changes:

Source:

Nacimiento River

Point of Diversion (POD) and Rediversion (PORD)¹:

POD and Storage

- 1) Nacimiento Dam (Nacimiento Reservoir), located within the NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 15, T25S, R10E, MDB&M; and PORD
- 2) Salinas River Diversion Facility (SRDF), located within the SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 16, T14S, R2E, MDB&M

Season of Diversion:

October 1 of each year through July 1 of the succeeding year

Amount of Water:

- License 7543 authorizes a maximum collection to storage of 350,000 acre-feet per annum (afa) with a maximum withdrawal not to exceed 180,000 acre-feet (af) in any one year.

¹ Changes to the existing POD and PORD are currently proposed under separate petitions for change under License 7543 and Permit 21089 to facilitate the Interlake Tunnel Project (Project). If those POD/PORD changes are granted through an amended License and Permit, the updated POD/PORD description will supersede this portion of the POD/PORD description. More information regarding the Project's petitions for change is available at [Water Rights Petition Information](#).

- Permit 21089 authorizes a maximum collection to storage of 27,900 afa.
- The total quantity of water to be collected pursuant to License 7543 and Permit 21089 is limited to 377,900 afa.
- The capacity of Nacimiento Reservoir covered under License 7543 and Permit 21089 is limited to 377,900 af.

Purposes of Use:

Existing:

Municipal, Domestic, Irrigation, Industrial, and Recreational

Proposed:

Addition of Incidental Power

Place of Use:

Existing:

Municipal, Domestic, Industrial, and Irrigation uses within: 1) 200,000 acres net within a gross area within a gross area of 240,000 acres in Monterey County; 2) 500 acres of irrigated agriculture and 7,000 acres of urban and suburban lands within the San Luis Obispo County Flood Control and Water Conservation District as shown on a map dated June 8, 1967; and (3) 421,425 acres comprising Agency Zone 2C as shown on map dated August 14, 2008, all filed with the State Water Board. Recreational use at Nacimiento Reservoir within San Luis Obispo County, shown on map dated August 14, 2008, filed with the State Water Board.

Proposed:

Municipal, Domestic, Industrial, and Irrigation uses within: the San Luis Obispo County Flood Control and Water Conservation District as shown on map dated June 8, 1967; and 421,425 acres comprising Agency Zone 2C as shown on map dated August 14, 2008, all filed with the State Water Board. Recreational use at Nacimiento Reservoir within San Luis Obispo County, also shown on a map dated August 14, 2008, filed with the State Water Board.

Summary of License 12624 and Proposed Changes:

Source:

San Antonio River

POD and PORD:

POD and Storage

- 1) San Antonio Dam (San Antonio Reservoir), located within the NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 34, T24S, R10E, MDB&M; and
PORD
- 2) SRDF, located within the SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 16, T14S, R2E, MDB&M

Season of Diversion:

October 1 of each year through July 1 of the succeeding year

Amount of Water:

License 12624 authorizes a maximum collection to storage of 220,000 afa with a maximum withdrawal not to exceed 210,000 af in any one year.

Terms and Conditions

Existing:

The capacity of the reservoir covered by this license shall not exceed 335,000 af.

Proposed:

The capacity of the reservoir covered by this license shall not exceed 376,000 af.

Place of Use:

Existing:

Municipal, Domestic, Industrial, and Irrigation uses within: (1) 259,000 acres net within a gross area of 357,000 acres in Monterey County as shown on map dated April 28, 1988; (2) 500 acres of irrigated agriculture and 7,000 acres of urban and suburban lands within the San Luis Obispo County Flood Control and Water Conservation District as shown on map dated June 8, 1967; and (3) 421,425 acres comprising Agency Zone 2C as shown on map dated August 14, 2008. Recreational use at San Antonio Reservoir within T23S, R8E; T23S, R9E; T24S, R9E; and T24S, R10E, all within MDB&M.

Proposed:

Municipal, Domestic, Industrial, and Irrigation uses within: 500 acres of irrigated agriculture and 7,000 acres of urban and suburban lands within the San Luis Obispo County Flood Control and Water Conservation District as shown on a map dated June 8, 1967; and 421,425 acres comprising Agency Zone 2C as shown on map dated August 14, 2008, filed with the State Water Board. Recreational use at San Antonio Reservoir within T23S, R8E; T23S, R9E; T24S, R9E; and T24S, R10E, all within MDB&M.

Pursuant to California Water Code section 1703.1, any interested person may file a protest to the proposed changes described in this notice. Protests filed in response to this notice should be submitted to the persons listed below and must be received by the Division on **March 21, 2022**.² Protests may be provided via email prior to the deadline; however, a copy of the original signed letter of protest must be subsequently filed with the Division. Protests should identify which proposed changes are being protested. Protest requirements and submittal information can be found here:

https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/waterrights/water_issues/programs/applications/docs/p/rotestsubmittalinfo.pdf

² Protests filed in response to this notice are for the proposed changes indicated in this notice only. Protests in response to the Agency's concurrent proposed changes related to the Interlake Tunnel Project under separate petitions for change for License 7543 and Permit 21089 must be filed separately.

Send protests to both:

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Copies of the petitions and related documentation is available upon request. Please direct all requests and questions regarding this notice to Arvin Chi by e-mail at arvin.chi@waterboards.ca.gov. Written correspondences or inquiries should be addressed as follows: State Water Resources Control Board, Division of Water Rights, Attn: Arvin Chi, P.O. Box 2000, Sacramento, CA 95812-2000.

Date of Notice: February 18, 2022