



# State Water Resources Control Board



## Division of Water Rights

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### NOTICE OF PETITION FOR TEMPORARY CHANGE INVOLVING THE TRANSFER OF UP TO 6,000 ACRE-FEET OF WATER FROM MERCED IRRIGATION DISTRICT TO MERCED IRRIGATION DISTRICT'S SPHERE OF INFLUENCE LANDS UNDER LICENSE 2685 (APPLICATION 1224) IN MERCED COUNTY

COUNTY: MERCED STREAM SYSTEM: MERCED RIVER

On June 10, 2011, Merced Irrigation District (MID) filed a petition for temporary change to transfer up to 6,000 acre-feet of water pursuant to Water Code section 1725 et seq., under water right License 2685 (Application 1224). The water will be transferred to MID's Sphere of Influence Lands (SOI Lands) which are located in Merced County. MID proposes to transfer water stored under its License 2685 to irrigate land that is currently not included as a place of use under the license. The proposed change will include the addition of 40,447 acres within a gross area of 71,540 acres for irrigation. Temporary changes under Water Code section 1725 may be effective for a period of up to one year. Any correspondence directed to the petitioner should be mailed to: Merced Irrigation District, c/o Darren Cordova, MBK Engineers, 1771 Tribute Road, Suite A, Sacramento, CA 95815; email: [cordova@mbkengineers.com](mailto:cordova@mbkengineers.com); Fax: (916) 456-0253

#### Summary of License 2685 and Changes Proposed with Petition for Temporary Transfer

Source	Merced River
Points of Diversion	Within the NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 13, T4S, R15E, MDB&M Within the SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 4, T5S, R15E, MDB&M Within the NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 7, T5S, R15E, MDB&M Within the SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 9, T4S, R18E, MDB&M
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Amount	1,500 cubic feet per second by direct diversion 266,400 acre-feet by storage Combined direct diversion/storage limit of 345,440 acre-feet annually
Amount Proposed Under Transfer	A maximum of 6,000 acre-feet.
Diversion Season	Direct Diversion: About March 1 through about October 31 Storage: About October 1 through about July 1 of the succeeding year
Purpose of Use	Irrigation, Domestic, Municipal
Place of Use	Domestic and irrigation use on 164,395 gross acres within the MID boundaries; Municipal use to 1,900 acres known as the Mariposa Town Planning Area; Irrigation use on 9,418.6 acres within the El Nido Irrigation District boundaries
Proposed Addition to Place of Use During Transfer	Irrigation of up to 40,447 acres within a gross area of 71,540 acres as shown on the map titled "Merced Irrigation District Map to Accompany Petition for Temporary Transfer under License 2685 (Application 1224) Proposed Addition to Place of Use".

Pursuant to California Water Code section 1726(f), any interested party may file a comment regarding this petition. **Comments must be received by the Division of Water Rights by 4:30 p.m. on July 20, 2011. A copy must also be provided to the petitioner at the address above.** To obtain detailed information regarding the proposed transfer, you may view the petition by visiting the Division's website at: [http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/waterrights/water\\_issues/programs/applications/transfers\\_tu\\_notices/index.shtml](http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/waterrights/water_issues/programs/applications/transfers_tu_notices/index.shtml). Should you have any other questions regarding this matter, please contact Kate Gaffney at (916) 341-5360 or by e-mail at kgaffney@waterboards.ca.gov.

Date of Notice: June 20, 2011