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Mr. Erik Ekdahl Deputy Director for Water Rights State Water Resources Control Board P.O. Box 2000 Sacramento, CA 95812-2000

Subject: Petition for Temporary Change - CVP Permits 5626 et al, Central Valley Project California

Dear Mr. Ekdahl:

Please find enclosed Petitions for Temporary Change (Petitions) for eleven Central Valley Project (CVP) permits filed pursuant to Water Code Section 1725. The Bureau of Reclamation requests that the State Water Resources Control Board temporarily add Los Banos Detention Dam and three points in Los Banos Creek as points of rediversion for previously stored CVP water. The purpose of this temporary change is to improve the flexibility of CVP operations and increase water supply reliability for wildlife refuges and south of Delta CVP contractors by permitting up to 8,000 acre-feet of CVP water to be re-stored in Los Banos Creek Detention Reservoir.

Reclamation appreciates the assistance that the Division will be providing in processing these Petitions. Reclamation's point of contact for these Petitions is Lisa Holm, Chief, Water Rights and Contracts Branch. Should you have any questions or concerns, please contact Ms. Lisa Holm at e-mail lholm@usbr.gov or by phone at (916) 978-5250.

Sincerely,

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