



NOTICE TO LANDOWNERS June 24, 2021

The water supply situation has continued to worsen with each update the District receives. Northern California reservoirs, particularly Shasta Lake, which our supply is dependent on to exchange for water from Millerton Lake is tracking as the lowest year on record. Our Kaweah supplies are also forecast to be the lowest year on record by more than 10-15% less than 2015. The District and Friant Water Authority is continuing to work with Bureau of Reclamation to do everything possible to maintain the current 20% Class 1 allocation, but the possibility of a reduction in our supply increases daily.

The current water allocation is 1.3 ACRE-FEET/ACRE. If the Class 1 allocation is lowered to 15%, the District allocation would POTENTIALLY DROP TO 1.0 ACRE-FOOT/ACRE and would worsen with further reduction in our class 1.

AS MENTIONED PREVIOUSLY IN THE NOTICE SENT MARCH 10, 2021, THERE IS A POTENTIAL OF ACQUIRING LIMITED ADDITIONAL SURFACE SUPPLY FROM OTHER SOURCES. THE COST OF THIS SUPPLY IS SET AT \$1,725/ACRE-FOOT. IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN ACQUIRING THIS WATER YOU NEED TO INFORM THE DISTRICT AS SOON AS POSSIBLE. REQUESTS FOR THIS SUPPLY SHOULD BE RECEIVED BY JULY 6, 2021. THIS DATE IS SUBJECT TO CHANGE AT ANY TIME DEPENDING ON REMAINING AVAILABILITY OF THIS SUPPLY.

IMPORTANT NOTE:

IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN MAKING YOUR ALLOCATION AVAILABLE FOR TRANSFER TO OTHERS IN THE DISTRICT, PLEASE CONTACT THE DISTRICT OFFICE. THE DISTRICT WILL DO WHAT IT CAN TO HELP FACILITATE ANY TRANSFERS BETWEEN LANDOWNERS.

Your total allocation is based on the number of acres you pay taxes on according to District records. No water will be allowed to be used on land owing delinquent standby charges or assessments. All accounts must be current in order to use the water or transfer water to another landowner. Once your allocation is exhausted, your meter will be locked. Any subsequent unauthorized use will result in your meter being removed, the service disconnected and a fine of \$10,000 placed on your account. Each landowner's water is as important as all others. There will be no tolerance for theft or unauthorized use.

The District is continuing to work with the Bureau of Reclamation to finalize the parameters of pumping landowner groundwater into the Friant-Kern Canal. We expect an agreement to be forthcoming. No groundwater may leave the District; however, pump-in groundwater can be used on any parcel within the District's boundaries. Groundwater may also be transferred to other landowners within the District. The Bureau of Reclamation has informed the District that they **will require updated water quality samples on all new or existing pump-ins prior to the agreement being signed**. Please call the District when you will be operating your well to coordinate a water quality sample with the District. The District is also working on additional approvals for any new wells to add to the existing program that was used in 2014-15.

The District will post updated notices and information to its website www.lsid.org Please use the following address to go straight to the notice page. <http://lsid.org/resources/notices/>

Please contact the District office at 559-562-2581 if you need further information.