



Consisting of 240,000 acres on the Westside of the San Joaquin Valley

AGENDA

WATER TRANSFER COMMITTEE MEETING THURSDAY, MARCH 2, 2023 2:00 P.M.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on *Thursday, March 2, 2023, at 2:00 p.m.*, the Water Transfer Committee of the San Joaquin River Exchange Contractors Water Authority (Exchange Contractors) will meet in the *Board Room of the Exchange Contractors' office* located at 541 H Street, Los Banos, California. The agenda for the meeting will be:

1. **Pledge of Allegiance**

2. **Agenda**

The Water Transfer Committee will consider corrections or additions to the agenda of items requiring immediate action that have come to the attention of the Committee following the posting of the agenda.

3. **Public Participation**

At this time, members of the public may address the representatives on matters which may affect the operations of the Exchange Contractors' Water Transfer Committee. The Chairman may limit the time allowed for comment.

4. **Approval of Minutes of the May 12, 2022 Water Transfer Committee Meeting**

5. **Review of 2022 Water Transfer Program**

6. **Current Water Supply Update**

7. **Proposed 2023 Water Transfers**

A) Member Entities Proposed Agenda

B) SLCC

i) **SLCC 2023-1:** Landfallowing Transfer Proposal to Del Puerto, Triangle T and Westlands Water Districts – up to 7,806 AF

ii) **SLCC 2023-2:** Landowner to Self in San Luis Water District Fallowing Transfer Proposal – Bowles Farming Co. – up to 471 AF; Gilardi Farms – up to 224 AF

iii) **SLCC 2023-3:** Groundwater Exchange Transfer from SLCC to Del Puerto, Pacheco, Panoche, and San Luis Water Districts – up to 938 AF

iv) **SLCC 2023-4:** Water Transferred from SLCC to Panoche Water District under the Eastside Conveyance Project – up to 5,000 AF

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C) FCWD

- i) **FCWD 2023-01:** Landowner to Self in Westlands Water District - Following Transfer Proposal – Wonderful Orchards – up to 384 AF
- ii) **FCWD 2023-02:** Landowner to Self in Pacheco Water District and Panoche Water District - Following Transfer Proposal – Turlock Fruit Co. – up to 776 AF
- iii) **FCWD 2023-03:** Landfallowing Transfer Proposal to Westlands, San Luis and Panoche Water Districts – up 309 AF

D) Request for Recommendation of Annual Approval of Long-Term Water Acquisition Agreement – Firebaugh Canal Water District/Central California Irrigation District and Panoche Water District – 3,000 AF

8. Any Other Business

9. Closed Session Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.8 Real Property Negotiations: Conference with Real Property Negotiators

Real Property Description: Exchange Contract Water that may be made available through efforts and contractual agreements with the Exchange Contractors Member Units.

Agency Negotiators: Members of the Exchange Contractors Transfer Committee and Executive Director.

Negotiating Parties: Bureau of Reclamation and CVP contractors.

Instructions to Negotiators will deal with price, terms, time for offer and acceptance and other conditions of delivery and payment.

General Information: Items received since last meeting or continued from last meeting or a previous meeting.