



State Water Resources Control Board

NOTICE OF A TEMPORARY URGENCY CHANGE PETITION BY SONOMA COUNTY WATER AGENCY REGARDING PERMITS 12947A, 12949, 12950, AND 16596 (APPLICATIONS 12919A, 15736, 15737, 19351)

COUNTY: MENDOCINO, SONOMA

STREAM SYSTEM: RUSSIAN RIVER PACIFIC OCEAN

The Sonoma County Water Agency (SCWA) has filed a temporary urgency change petition, pursuant to California Water Code section 1435, with the State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board), Division of Water Rights (Division). Due to severe drought conditions, the petition requests to temporarily change the minimum instream flow requirements for the Russian River as listed below:

- (1) Reduce the minimum instream flow requirements in the upper Russian River (from its confluence with the East Fork of the Russian River to its confluence with Dry Creek) from 75 cubic feet per second (cfs) to 50 cfs.
(2) Reduce minimum instream flow requirements in the lower Russian River (from its confluence with Dry Creek to the Pacific Ocean) from 85 cfs to 60 cfs.
(3) For purposes of compliance, measure the minimum instream flow requirements based on a 5-day running average of average daily stream flow measurements, provided that instantaneous flows on the upper Russian River shall be no less than 40 cfs and on the lower Russian River shall be no less than 50 cfs.

On August 25, 2014, the Division issued an Order approving the temporary urgency change petition. More information regarding this Order, including the petition, is available at:

http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/waterrights/water\_issues/programs/applications/transfers\_tu\_notices/index.shtml

Pursuant to California Water Code section 1438(d), any interested person may file an objection to the temporary change. The procedure for addressing an objection is described in Water Code section 1438.

Objections filed in response to this notice should be submitted to the persons listed below and must be received by 4:30 p.m. on September 25, 2014.

Send objections to both:

Emily Hyland
Permitting Section
Division of Water Rights
State Water Resources Control Board
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Sacramento, CA 95812

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For more information regarding this project, including procedures for filing objections, please contact Emily Hyland at (916) 341-5803 or Emily.Hyland@waterboards.ca.gov.

DATE OF NOTICE: August 26, 2014

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