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Via eMail and CalWATRS

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Subject: Petition for Change Involving Water Transfer under Permit No. 15375

Dear Mr. Ekdahl:

Foresthill Public Utility District (FPUD) has completed on CalWATRS a Petition for Change Involving Water Transfer, made pursuant to Water Code section 1725, for a temporary transfer from Foresthill Public Utility District (FPUD) to federal and/or state water contractors south of the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta. Also included on CalWATRS is the completed Environmental Information for Petitions, along with supporting documentation to assist in your review of this Petition. FPUD has submitted the appropriate Division of Water Rights and Department of Fish and Wildlife fees to CalWATRS.

In January, FPUD filed an intent to transfer under Permit No. 15375 with the State Water Resources Control Board to qualify for the streamlined noticing provided in Water Code section 1727. FPUD did not receive any requests for notification of this Petition from interested parties.

FPUD respectfully requests your prompt consideration of this Petition. Should you have any questions or wish to speak with FPUD, please feel free to contact me directly at (530) 367-2511 or GM@foresthillpud.com.

Sincerely,

Henry N. White

Digitally signed by Henry N. White
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Notice of Exemption

Form D

To: Office of Planning and Research
PO Box 3044, 1400 Tenth Street, Room 212
Sacramento, CA 95812-3044

From: (Public Agency) Foresthill Public Utility District
P.O. Box 266
Foresthill, CA 95631
(Address)

County Clerk
County of Placer, El Dorado, Kings
Alameda, Santa Clara, San Joaquin
Fresno, Kern, Merced and Stanislaus

Project Title: Temporary Water Transfer from Sugar Pine Reservoir

Project Location - Specific: Sugar Pine Dam and North Shirttail Canyon Creek

Project Location - City: Foresthill Project Location - County: Placer

Description of Project: This project is a temporary water transfer of 2,000 acre-feet of stored water from Sugar Pine Reservoir to Central Valley Project and/or State Water Project Contractors south of the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: Foresthill Public Utility District

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Foresthill Public Utility District

Exempt Status: (check one)

- Ministerial (Sec. 21080(b)(1); 15268);
- Declared Emergency (Sec. 21080(b)(3); 15269(a));
- Emergency Project (Sec. 21080(b)(4); 15269(b)(c));
- Categorical Exemption. State type and section number: _____
- Statutory Exemptions. State code number: CCR section, 15282(u), CA Water Code section, 1729

Reasons why project is exempt: This temporary water transfer is statutorily exempt and has no environmental impacts. The project consists of a one-time water transfer that will use existing facilities. The project does not constitute a new permanent source of water supply and will not result in any growth inducing impacts.

Lead Agency
Contact Person: Henry N. White Area Code/Telephone/Extension: 530-367-2511

If filed by applicant:

1. Attach certified document of exemption finding.
2. Has a Notice of Exemption been filed by the public agency approving the project? Yes No

Signature: Henry N. White Date: 6/17/2026 Title: General Manager

Signed by Lead Agency Date received for filing at OPR: _____
 Signed by Applicant

Please indicate County where your project is located here:

MAIL FORM AND ATTACHMENTS TO:
State Water Resources Control Board
DIVISION OF WATER RIGHTS
P.O. Box 2000, Sacramento, CA 95812-2000
Tel: (916) 341-5300 Fax: (916) 341-5400
http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/waterrights

PETITION FOR CHANGE INVOLVING WATER TRANSFERS

Separate petitions are required for each water right. Mark all areas that apply to your proposed change(s). Incomplete forms may not be accepted. Location and area information must be provided on maps in accordance with established requirements. (Cal. Code Regs., tit. 23, § 715 et seq.) Provide attachments if necessary.

- Point of Diversion, Point of Rediversion, Place of Use, Purpose of Use, Temporary Urgency, Temporary Change, Long-term Transfer, Instream Flow Dedication
Application, Permit 15375, License, Statement

I (we) hereby petition for change(s) noted above and described as follows:

Point of Diversion or Rediversion - Provide source name and identify points using both Public Land Survey System descriptions to 1/4-1/4 level and California Coordinate System (NAD 83).

Present: See Attachment C

Proposed:

Place of Use - Identify area using Public Land Survey System descriptions to 1/4-1/4 level; for irrigation, list number of acres irrigated.

Present: FPUD service area, serving Foresthill community in Placer County, as shown in Attachment B. No Change.

Proposed: Federal and/or State water contractors south of the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta, as shown in Attachment E

Purpose of Use

Present: Domestic, Municipal and Industrial, Recreational, and Irrigation.

Proposed: Domestic, Municipal and Industrial, Recreational, and Irrigation.

Instream Flow Dedication - Provide source name and identify points using both Public Land Survey System descriptions to 1/4-1/4 level and California Coordinate System (NAD 83).

Upstream Location: N/A

Downstream Location: N/A

List the quantities dedicated to instream flow in either: cubic feet per second or gallons per day:

Table with 12 columns for months (Jan-Dec) and 2 rows for data entry.

Will the dedicated flow be diverted for consumptive use at a downstream location? Yes No

If yes, provide the source name, location coordinates, and the quantities of flow that will be diverted from the stream.

Proposed New User(s)

Provide the names, addresses, and phone numbers for all proposed new user(s) of the water right.

Please see Attachment A.

Amount of Water to be Transferred

2,105.00 acre-feet will be transferred. If the basis of right is direct diversion, the average rate of diversion for the maximum 30-day period of use is _____ cubic feet per second or million gallons per day.

General Information – Provide the following information, if applicable to your proposed change(s).

Have you attached an analysis which documents that the amount of water to be transferred or exchanged would have been consumptively used or stored in the absence of the proposed temporary change or long-term transfer? Yes No

Have you attached an analysis of any changes to streamflow, water quality, timing of diversion or use, return flows, or effects on legal users from the proposed temporary change or long-term transfer? Yes No

Have you attached an analysis that shows the proposed temporary change or long-term transfer will not unreasonably affect fish, wildlife, or other instream beneficial uses? Yes No

I (we) have access to the proposed point of diversion or control the proposed place of use by virtue of:
 ownership lease verbal agreement written agreement

If by lease or agreement, state name and address of person(s) from whom access has been obtained.

N/A

Give name and address of any person(s) taking water from the stream between the present point of diversion or rediversion and the proposed point of diversion or rediversion, as well as any other person(s) known to you who may be affected by the proposed change.

N/A

All Right Holders Must Sign Below: I (we) declare under penalty of perjury that this involves only the amount of water which would have been consumptively used or stored in the absence of the proposed temporary change, and that the above is true and correct to the best of my (our) knowledge and belief.

Dated _____ at _____

Right Holder or Authorized Agent Signature

Right Holder or Authorized Agent Signature

NOTE: All petitions must be accompanied by:
(1) the form Environmental Information for Petitions, available at:
http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/waterrights/publications_forms/forms/docs/pet_info.pdf
(2) Division of Water Rights fee, per the Water Rights Fee Schedule, available at:
http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/waterrights/water_issues/programs/fees/
(3) Department of Fish and Wildlife fee of \$850 (Pub. Resources Code, § 10005)

ENVIRONMENTAL INFORMATION FOR PETITIONS

This form is required for all petitions.

Before the State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) can approve a petition, the State Water Board must consider the information contained in an environmental document prepared in compliance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). This form is not a CEQA document. If a CEQA document has not yet been prepared, a determination must be made of who is responsible for its preparation. As the petitioner, you are responsible for all costs associated with the environmental evaluation and preparation of the required CEQA documents. Please answer the following questions to the best of your ability and submit any studies that have been conducted regarding the environmental evaluation of your project. If you need more space to completely answer the questions, please number and attach additional sheets.

DESCRIPTION OF PROPOSED CHANGES OR WORK REMAINING TO BE COMPLETED

For a petition for change, provide a description of the proposed changes to your project including, but not limited to, type of construction activity, structures existing or to be built, area to be graded or excavated, increase in water diversion and use (up to the amount authorized by the permit), changes in land use, and project operational changes, including changes in how the water will be used. For a petition for extension of time, provide a description of what work has been completed and what remains to be done. Include in your description any of the above elements that will occur during the requested extension period.

Petition for Temporary Change under Water Code sections 1725-1732

Foresthill Public Utility District ("FPUD") proposes to transfer 2,000 acre-feet (AF) of water currently stored in Sugar Pine Reservoir on Shirttail Canyon Creek to federal and/or state water contractors south of the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta for use to meet existing demand from existing development within the federal and/or state water contractors south of the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta's existing service areas. FPUD proposes to additionally release 105 AF of water to manage up to 5% of the carrying costs, evaporation, and related natural processes that diminish the total amount of water available for diversion.

If a Warrant Act agreement becomes necessary for this transfer, the Buyer will work with the relevant state and/or federal agencies to execute an Article 55 agreement for a total of 2,105 AF of FPUD water to be conveyed through existing federal and state facilities, and prepare any related and required environmental review under the National Environmental Policy Act.

To accomplish this transfer, the following temporary changes in the place of use and points of re-diversion under FPUD's Sugar Pine Reservoir water right permit are needed.

(1) Allow re-diversion of transfer water at the Department of Water Resources' Harvey O. Banks Pumping Plant ("Banks"), a state facility and/or the Jones Pumping Plant ("Jones"), a federal facility, to convey the FPUD transfer water through the California Aqueduct or the Delta-Mendota Canal for delivery through existing turn-outs to the federal and/or state water contractors south of the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta.

(2) Allow use of transfer water within the federal and/or state water contractors south of the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta's service areas.

Refer to Attachment A for a detailed description of the project operations changes.

Insert the attachment number here, if applicable: A

Coordination with Regional Water Quality Control Board

For change petitions only, you must request consultation with the Regional Water Quality Control Board regarding the potential effects of your proposed change on water quality and other instream beneficial uses. (Cal. Code Regs., tit. 23, § 794.) In order to determine the appropriate office for consultation, see: http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/waterboards_map.shtml. Provide the date you submitted your request for consultation here, then provide the following information.

Date of Request

Will your project, during construction or operation, (1) generate waste or wastewater containing such things as sewage, industrial chemicals, metals, or agricultural chemicals, or (2) cause erosion, turbidity or sedimentation?

Yes No

Will a waste discharge permit be required for the project?

Yes No

If necessary, provide additional information below:

N/A

Insert the attachment number here, if applicable: N/A

Local Permits

For temporary transfers only, you must contact the board of supervisors for the county(ies) both for where you currently store or use water and where you propose to transfer the water. (Wat. Code § 1726.) Provide the date you submitted your request for consultation here.

Date of Contact

For change petitions only, you should contact your local planning or public works department and provide the information below.

Person Contacted:

Date of Contact:

Department:

Phone Number:

County Zoning Designation:

Are any county permits required for your project? If yes, indicate type below.

Yes No

Grading Permit

Use Permit

Watercourse

Obstruction Permit

Change of Zoning

General Plan Change

Other (explain below)

If applicable, have you obtained any of the permits listed above? If yes, provide copies.

Yes No

If necessary, provide additional information below:

N/A

Insert the attachment number here, if applicable: N/A

Federal and State Permits

Check any additional agencies that may require permits or other approvals for your project:

- Regional Water Quality Control Board Department of Fish and Game
- Dept of Water Resources, Division of Safety of Dams California Coastal Commission
- State Reclamation Board U.S. Army Corps of Engineers U.S. Forest Service
- Bureau of Land Management Federal Energy Regulatory Commission
- Natural Resources Conservation Service

Have you obtained any of the permits listed above? If yes, provide copies. Yes No

For each agency from which a permit is required, provide the following information:

Agency	Permit Type	Person(s) Contacted	Contact Date	Phone Number
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If necessary, provide additional information below:

N/A

Insert the attachment number here, if applicable: N/A

Construction or Grading Activity

Does the project involve any construction or grading-related activity that has significantly altered or would significantly alter the bed, bank or riparian habitat of any stream or lake? Yes No

If necessary, provide additional information below:

California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW)

Consistent with Water Code Section 1726, a copy of this Petition will be sent upon Public Notice to Briana Seapy, the CDFW Region 2 water rights staff contact, at 1701 Nimbus Road, Rancho Cordova, CA 95670, and to Brad Henderson, Environmental Program Manager, CDFW Fisheries. As detailed in Attachment C, the transfer has been determined not to have unreasonable effects.

Insert the attachment number here, if applicable: C

Archeology

- Has an archeological report been prepared for this project? If yes, provide a copy. Yes No
- Will another public agency be preparing an archeological report? Yes No
- Do you know of any archeological or historic sites in the area? If yes, explain below. Yes No

If necessary, provide additional information below:

N/A

Insert the attachment number here, if applicable: N/A

Photographs

For all petitions other than time extensions, attach complete sets of color photographs, clearly dated and labeled, showing the vegetation that exists at the following three locations:

- Along the stream channel immediately downstream from each point of diversion
- Along the stream channel immediately upstream from each point of diversion
- At the place where water subject to this water right will be used

Maps

For all petitions other than time extensions, attach maps labeled in accordance with the regulations showing all applicable features, both present and proposed, including but not limited to: point of diversion, point of rediversion, distribution of storage reservoirs, point of discharge of treated wastewater, place of use, and location of instream flow dedication reach. (Cal. Code Regs., tit. 23, §§ 715 et seq., 794.)

Pursuant to California Code of Regulations, title 23, section 794, petitions for change submitted without maps may not be accepted.

All Water Right Holders Must Sign This Form:

I (we) hereby certify that the statements I (we) have furnished above and in the attachments are complete to the best of my (our) ability and that the facts, statements, and information presented are true and correct to the best of my (our) knowledge. Dated _____ at _____.

Water Right Holder or Authorized Agent Signature

Water Right Holder or Authorized Agent Signature

NOTE:

- Petitions for Change may not be accepted unless you include proof that a copy of the petition was served on the Department of Fish and Game. (Cal. Code Regs., tit. 23, § 794.)
- Petitions for Temporary Transfer may not be accepted unless you include proof that a copy of the petition was served on the Department of Fish and Game and the board of supervisors for the county(ies) where you currently store or use water and the county(ies) where you propose to transfer the water. (Wat. Code § 1726.)

Attachment A

*Water Transfer Description and
Environmental Information
for 2026 FPUD to
Central Valley Project Contractors
and State Water Project Contractors
Temporary Water Transfer Project*

Attachment A

Introduction

This document (“Attachment A”) provides details, analyses, maps, figures, and graphics in support of a proposed 2026 water transfer for up to 2,000 acre-feet (AF) from Foresthill Public Utility District (“FPUD”) to federal and/or state water contractors south of the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta (“Delta”), collectively the Buyers. The proposed project seeks to transfer water to the Buyers during the summer and fall of 2026 as part of the Buyers’ efforts to purchase supplemental water supplies when allocations of other water supplies are constrained. An additional 105 AF will be released to cover up to 5% of conveyance losses.

FPUD proposes to transfer up to a maximum of 2,105 AF of water during summer and fall 2026 to the Buyers through re-operation of FPUD’s Sugar Pine Reservoir. The water proposed for transfer was previously stored and it is not necessary to meet FPUD customer needs during 2026 or 2027. The total potential quantity available from the Sugar Pine Reservoir exceeds the maximum transfer volume of 2,105 AF with up to 6,922 AF capacity starting with a full reservoir at the end of FPUD’s diversion period which occurs between November 1 and July 1.

The information provided in this document is intended to facilitate review and approval of the transfer by the State Water Resources Control Board (“SWRCB”), as required for the Sugar Pine Reservoir proposed transfer.

Organization

The remainder of this Attachment A is organized as follows:

1. **Overview of Transfer Parties** – a brief introduction to both FPUD and the Buyers, with relevant information regarding the basis for the transfer.
2. **Summary of the Proposed Transfer** – a summary of the proposed transfer, including sources of water, method to make water available, and requested changes to a water right license for the transfer.
3. **Requested Changes to the Point of Diversion and Place of Use** for Water Right Permit No. 15375.
4. **Transfer Operational Details** – information regarding the proposed timing of releases, flow rates and other relevant details, including graphs, maps and tables and proposed measurement/compliance metrics.
5. **Demonstrating Compliance with Water Code Statutes** – information regarding no injury to other legal users or to fish and wildlife, as required under Water Code Section 1727.
6. **Other Relevant Information.**

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1. Overview of Transfer Parties

The proposed transfer is between FPUD and yet to be determined Central Valley Project Contractors and State Water Project Contractors, collectively the Buyers, for delivery of the water during summer and fall of 2026. FPUD has identified Westlands Water District (“WWD”) as a prospective buyer for some or all of the Proposed Transfer, which conveyance would be through the Central Valley Project (“CVP”) operated by the Bureau of Reclamation (“USBR”) and/or State Water Project (“SWP”) and/or Department of Water Resources (“DWR”). The following provides a brief overview of each public water supplier.

1.1 Foresthill Public Utility District

FPUD was formed in 1950 pursuant to the provisions of Section 15501 *et seq.* of the California Public Utilities Code for the purpose of operating a water system. The District’s service area comprises the unincorporated community of Foresthill, California, located in Placer County approximately 60 miles northeast of Sacramento. The District is governed by a five-member Board of Directors and currently employs seven full-time employees and one part-time employee. The District currently incorporates an area of approximately 13,000 acres and contains primarily residential development. The District as of February 1, 2020, provides 2,034 water service connections.

FPUD’s main water source is the Sugar Pine Reservoir, which has an existing storage capacity of 6,922 AF. Due to late season storms, Sugar Pine Reservoir refilled, spilled, and is nearly full. Currently Sugar Pine Reservoir has a surplus of water stored and not scheduled for use by FPUD. In 2018 and 2020, FPUD executed similar water transfers to the Proposed Transfer and there was sufficient excess natural flow in the immediately following years to refill Sugar Pine Reservoir.

1.2 Central Valley Project Contractors

The CVP has long-term agreements to supply water to more than 270 contractors in 29 of California’s 58 counties (“CVP Contractors”). Deliveries by the CVP include an annual average of 5 million AF of water for agriculture, 600,000 AF of water for municipal and industrial (“M&I”) uses (enough water to supply about 2.5 million people for a year), and water for wildlife refuges and maintaining water quality in the Delta. Most CVP Contractors do not rely solely on their CVP water supply as they have other sources of water available, such as their own water rights, groundwater, the SWP supplies and other sources.

USBR operates the CVP in coordination with the SWP under the Coordinated Operation Agreement between the federal government and the State of California (authorized by Public Law 99-546). The CVP and SWP operate pursuant to water rights permits and licenses that are issued by the SWRCB. The Proposed Project could transfer water to any CVP Contractors south of the Delta, which include the following:

- City of Avenal
- City of Coalinga
- City of Fresno
- Lewis Creek Water District
- Lindmore Irrigation District
- Lindsay-Strathmore Irrigation

- City of Huron District
- City of Lindsay
- City of Orange Cove
- City of Tracy
- Fresno County Water Works District No. 18
- San Benito County Water District
- Arvin-Edison Water Storage District
- Banta Carbona Irrigation District
- Broadview Water District
- Byron-Bethany Irrigation District
- Coelho Family Trust
- Del Puerto Water District
- Delano-Earlimart Irrigation District
- Eagle Field Water District
- Exeter Irrigation District
- Fresno Irrigation District
- Fresno Slough Water District
- Garfield Water District
- Grasslands Water District
- International Water District
- Ivanhoe Irrigation District
- James Irrigation District
- Laguna Water District
- Lower Tule River Irrigation District
- M.L. Dudley Company
- Mercy Springs Water District
- Orange Cove Irrigation District
- Oro Loma Water District
- Panoche Water District
- Patterson Water District
- Porterville Irrigation District
- Reclamation District 1606
- San Benito County Water District
- San Luis Water District
- Sausalito Irrigation District
- Shafter-Wasco Irrigation District
- Southern San Joaquin Municipal Utilities District
- Stone Corral Irrigation District
- Tea Pot Dome Water District
- Terra Bella Irrigation District
- Tranquility Public Utility District
- Tulare Irrigation District
- West Stanislaus Water district
- Westlands Water District

1.3 State Water Project Contractors

DWR has long-term contracts with 29 water agencies (“SWP Contractors”) statewide to deliver water supplies developed from the SWP system. These contracts are with both agricultural and M&I water users and provide more than 3 million acre-feet for East Bay, San Joaquin Valley, and southern California water users (DWR 2019). Approximately 30 percent of SWP water is used to irrigate 750,000 acres of agricultural land, located mostly within the San Joaquin Valley. The Proposed Project could transfer water to any of the twenty-four SWP Contractors south of the Delta, which include the following:

- Alameda County Water District
- Zone 7 Water Agency
- Santa Clara Valley Water District
- Oak Flat Water District
- Empire West Side Irrigation District
- County of Kings
- Tulare Lake Basin Water Storage
- Santa Barbara County Flood Control and Water Conservation District
- Ventura County Flood Control District
- Castaic Lake Water Agency
- Palmdale Water District
- Littlerock Creek Irrigation District

- District
- Dudley Ridge Water District
 - San Luis Obispo County Flood Control and Water Conservation District
 - Kern County Water Agency
 - Antelope Valley – East Kern Water Agency
 - Mojave Water Agency
 - Crestline – Lake Arrowhead Water Agency
 - San Bernardino Valley Municipal Water District
 - San Gabriel Valley Municipal Water District
 - San Geronimo Pass Water Agency
 - Desert Water Agency
 - The Metropolitan Water District of Southern California
 - Coachella Valley Water District

1.4 Westlands Water District

Westlands Water District (“WWD”) is recognized as a world leader in agricultural water conservation and is committed to habitat restoration to protect at risk species. WWD has served the farmers and rural communities on the west side of Fresno and Kings counties for more than five decades. As stewards of one of California’s most precious natural resources, WWD continually invests in conservation, and champions farmers deploying innovative irrigation methods based on the best available technology.

WWD receives water from the Central Valley Project, which is operated by the U.S. Bureau of Reclamation. The District’s water distribution system is comprised entirely of buried pipeline (approximately 1,100 miles of pipe) and is outfitted with over 3,000 water meters. WWD continually invests in this sophisticated system, which measures every drop of water and minimizes losses caused by seepage and evaporation.

Farmers in WWD rank among the most productive and water efficient in the world. Approximately 60 different high-quality, nutritious crops are produced by these farmers for the fresh, dry, canned, and frozen food markets, domestically and abroad – producing crops with a value of \$2 billion and generating more than \$6 billion in farm-related economic activity each year, supporting nearly 60,000 jobs, and benefitting local communities in the San Joaquin Valley and across the state.

2. Summary of the Proposed Transfer

FPUD proposes to transfer up to 2,000 AF of water to the Buyers during summer and fall 2026, plus an additional release of 105 AF to cover up to 5% in conveyance losses, for a total reservoir release of 2,105 AF. FPUD would make the water available through re-operation of Sugar Pine Reservoir to release water otherwise planned to be consumed by FPUD customers and/or stored within the Sugar Pine Reservoir. The water proposed for transfer is not necessary to meet FPUD customer demands during 2026 or 2027. Specifically, the transfer quantity would be derived from the following re-operations:

This temporary transfer would involve water currently stored in FPUD’s Sugar Pine Reservoir on North Shirttail Canyon Creek to the Buyers’ service areas under SWRCB water rights Permit

No. 15375. Transfer water would be supplied under this appropriative right to help meet existing agricultural and M&I demand from existing development within the Buyers’ existing service areas during 2026.

In accordance with Water Code section 1728, this transfer shall occur within a year or less from the date of approval by the SWRCB. The water would be released from Sugar Pine Reservoir during the period September 14 through October 22, 2026. The proposed transfer would release the stored water from Sugar Pine Reservoir into the North Shirttail Canyon Creek, then to the North Fork American River, and subsequently into Folsom Reservoir. The water would be passed through Folsom Reservoir during the Delta transfer window into Lake Natoma, which is impounded by Nimbus Dam. Lake Natoma serves as the re-regulating Afterbay for Folsom Reservoir. From Nimbus Dam the water would be passed into the Lower American River, and subsequently would flow into the Sacramento River and the Delta. The transfer would be conveyed from the Banks (SWP) or Jones (CVP) Pumping Plants in the southern portion of the Delta into the California Aqueduct or CVP, respectively, and delivered to the Buyers’ facilities through existing turnouts.

The Proposed Transfer would result in the temporary decreased storage of up to 2,105 AF in Sugar Pine Reservoir. Under Permit 15375, FPUD is authorized to directly divert up to 18 cubic feet per second (“cfs”) to satisfy its customers’ needs. In addition, FPUD may divert to storage up to 15,400 AF annually. Since the capacity of Sugar Pine Reservoir is 6,922 AF, FPUD’s authorized diversions far exceed that capacity; and in year immediately following the 2018 and 2020 water transfers the Reservoir refilled with no injury to other water rights.

The Proposed Transfer would not require construction of any new facilities.

The actual transfer quantity from Sugar Pine Reservoir and total transfer volume of up to 2,105 AF would be subject to hydrologic conditions leading up to and during the transfer period as well as compliance with all other water right, FERC license, and related requirements. Releases from Sugar Pine Reservoir would be conducted in accordance with all applicable rules and requirements governing operations, and would be coordinated with the Buyers as well as Reclamation and DWR, as appropriate, for CVP and SWP water system operations, respectively.

The Proposed Transfer is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (“CEQA”) under Water Code Section 1729. A copy of notice of exemption (“NOE”) is included with the Petition.

3. Requested Changes to POD and POU for Sugar Pine Reservoir

To accomplish the Proposed Transfer, the following temporary (1 year or less) changes in point of use (“POU”) and point of redirection (“PORD”) are being sought by Petition to SWRCB pursuant to FPUD Water Right Permit No. 15375 and consistent with California Water Code (“CWC”) Sections 1725-1732:

- A. Proposed Point of Rediversion: The Banks pumping plant would be added as a PORD to allow DWR to pump and remanage delivery of the transfer water to the Buyers’ service areas. Specifically, the point of redirection is Banks Pumping

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Plant via Clifton Court Forebay: N 2,126,440 ft, E 6,256,425 ft, California Coordinate System Zone 3, NAD 83, being within the NW 1/4 of SE 1/4 of Projected Section 20, T1S, R4e, MDB&M.

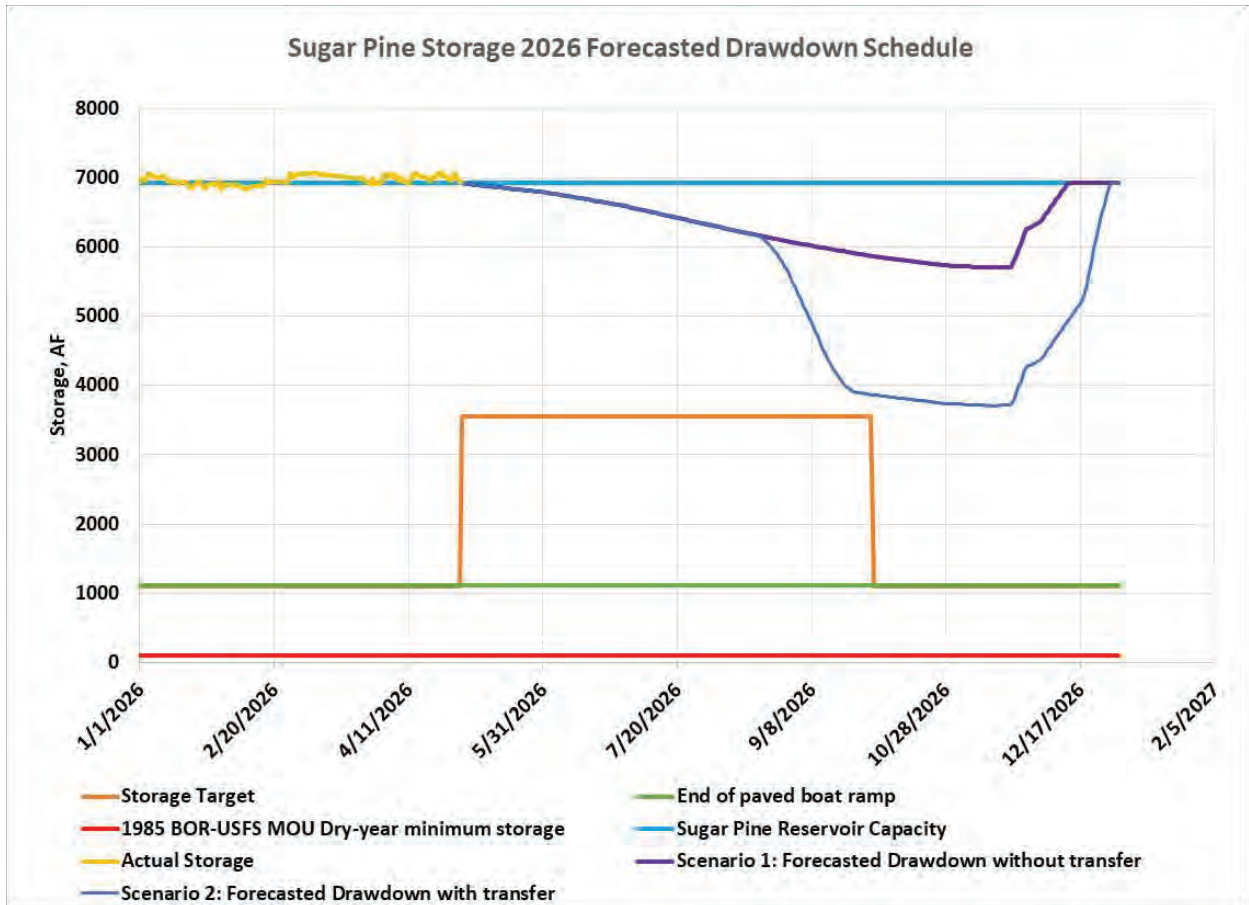
- B. Proposed Point of Rediversion: The Jones pumping plant would be added as a PORD to allow Reclamation to pump and remanage delivery of the transfer water to the Buyers' service areas. The point of rediversion is further described as located at: N 2,121,505 ft, E 6,255,368 ft, California Coordinate System Zone 3, NAD 83, being within the NE 1/4 of SW 1/4 of Projected Section 29, T1S, R4E, MDB&M.
- C. Proposed Point of Rediversion: The San Luis Reservoir ("SLR") would be added as a PORD to allow USBR and DWR to pump and remanage delivery of the transfer water to Buyers. SLR is identified on maps filed with the SWRCB Division of Water Rights under Application 5630 (SWP).
- D. Proposed Additional Places of Use: The transfer water would be used within the Buyers' specific service areas contained within the CVP and SWP service areas.

Maps demonstrating the locations of FPUD's water sources, existing POD and POU under Water Right Permit 15375, and the proposed flow path to Folsom Reservoir and from Folsom Reservoir to the Buyers' service areas, and the requested PORDs and POU are provided in **Attachment B**. The current POU for water in Sugar Pine Reservoir under Water Right Permit 15375 is within the FPUD Service Area shown in **Attachment B**. The service area encompasses approximately 36,152 acres located north of the Middle Fork American River and entirely within Placer County.

4. Transfer Operational Details

This section provides important details regarding the planned reservoir operations with and without the proposed transfer.

For the transfer, FPUD would reoperate Sugar Pine Reservoir by making releases above the minimum flow requirements to draw down the reservoir to deliver water to the Buyers during the 2026 transfer period. Figure 2 in the 2026 Sugar Pine Reservoir Operations Plan, reproduced below, represents the forecasted storage levels of the Reservoir under two scenarios: (1) usual operations without a transfer, and (2) usual operations plus a transfer of 2,000 AF.



The light blue line is the Reservoir storage capacity of 6,922 AF. The purple line shows projected Reservoir drawdown under scenario 1 without a water transfer. The dark blue line shows projected Reservoir drawdown under scenario 2 with a water transfer of 2,000 AF. The proposed additional 105 AF released to cover conveyance costs will not cause a significant departure from these projections, and will not cause the projected drawdown to interfere with the (orange line) summer recreation storage target. Recreation, including at the boat ramp, would still be accessible with storage as low as the green line.

The water transfer from Sugar Pine Reservoir would be made in compliance with all water rights requirements including measures for the protection of fish and wildlife. One such requirement in FPUD’s past 2018 and 2020 water transfers was a ramping (up/down) of flow rates by 5 cfs per business day to ensure that fish and wildlife can adapt to the changed flow. Table 1 shows the proposed release pattern for Sugar Pine Reservoir with and without the transfer based on modeling of current and forecasted hydrology for 2026. The actual flow schedule could vary from what is presented in Table 1 and would depend on hydrologic conditions at the time of the transfer, date when all agreements and authorizations are received, amount of and timing for water requested by the Buyer(s), and operational and flow requirements. With the proposal provided in Table 1, up to a maximum of 2,105 AF of water would be released from Sugar Pine Reservoir into the North Shirttail Canyon Creek beginning in mid-September and continuing through mid-October.

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TABLE 1 – PROPOSED TRANSFER SCHEDULE

Assumes flow changes occur at 8:00 a.m. and no changes on weekends.

		Transfer,	Transfer +	Daily	
		cfs	Losses,	Difference,	AF
			cfs	cfs	
Mon	14-Sep	4	4.2		8.3
Tue	15-Sep	8	8.4	4.2	16.7
Wed	16-Sep	12	12.6	4.2	25.0
Thu	17-Sep	16	16.8	4.2	33.3
Fri	18-Sep	20	21	4.2	41.7
Sat	19-Sep	20	21	0	41.7
Sun	20-Sep	20	21	0	41.7
Mon	21-Sep	24	25.2	4.2	50.0
Tue	22-Sep	27	28.35	3.15	56.2
Wed	23-Sep	30	31.5	3.15	62.5
Thu	24-Sep	30	31.5	0	62.5
Fri	25-Sep	33	34.65	3.15	68.7
Sat	26-Sep	33	34.65	0	68.7
Sun	27-Sep	33	34.65	0	68.7
Mon	28-Sep	35	36.75	2.1	72.9
Tue	29-Sep	38	39.9	3.15	79.1
Wed	30-Sep	40	42	2.1	83.3
Thu	1-Oct	40	42	0	83.3
Fri	2-Oct	40	42	0	83.3
Sat	3-Oct	40	42	0	83.3
Sun	4-Oct	40	42	0	83.3
Mon	5-Oct	40	42	0	83.3
Tue	6-Oct	38	39.9	-2.1	79.1
Wed	7-Oct	35	36.75	-3.15	72.9
Thu	8-Oct	33	34.65	-2.1	68.7
Fri	9-Oct	30	31.5	-3.15	62.5
Sat	10-Oct	30	31.5	0	62.5
Sun	11-Oct	30	31.5	0	62.5
Mon	12-Oct	27	28.35	-3.15	56.2
Tue	13-Oct	23	24.15	-4.2	47.9
Wed	14-Oct	20	21	-3.15	41.7
Thu	15-Oct	20	21	0	41.7
Fri	16-Oct	20	21	0	41.7
Sat	17-Oct	20	21	0	41.7

The ramping rates mirror past water transfers and are designed to protect fish and wildlife from adverse impacts caused by a sudden change in hydrology. Based on the 2018 and 2020 water transfer data, the Proposed Transfer would likely have minor temporary beneficial effects to aquatic resources in the Sacramento River watershed during the transfer period, because there would be an increase of flows compared to what would otherwise be released from Sugar Pine Reservoir in 2026; minimum flow is approximately 5 cfs throughout the year. With the proposed transfer, releases from Sugar Pine Reservoir would not exceed the maximum releases provided during the transfer period during prior water transfers. The increased flows from the Proposed Transfer would add colder water with higher water quality to the pool at Folsom Lake, thereby improving aquatic habitat downstream.

Actual refill of Sugar Pine Reservoir in 2027 would be subject to a refill agreement to be entered into with Reclamation and/or DWR as appropriate. FPUD would be able to meet applicable obligations under these agreements and also meet all applicable water right requirements. Because storage levels at Sugar Pine Reservoir would be within the range of normal operations and in compliance with the applicable operational requirements to protect fish and wildlife, the potential impacts, direct or indirect, to aquatic species that may be present at or in proximity to Sugar Pine Reservoir are expected to be negligible.

4.1 Flow Path of Transfer Water

Transfer water released from Sugar Pine Reservoir would flow into Folsom Reservoir after its release from Sugar Pine Dam. Water would travel from North Shirttail Canyon Creek into the North Fork American River, and subsequently into Folsom Reservoir. From there, water would pass through the Folsom Reservoir facilities into Lake Natoma which is the re-regulating Afterbay for Folsom Reservoir. Nimbus Dam would release water from Lake Natoma into the Lower American River, which would flow into the Sacramento River and to the Delta. The transfer water passed through Folsom Reservoir would be coordinated with the systemwide operation of the CVP and SWP. Coordinated operations of the CVP and SWP are subject to compliance with the National Marine Fisheries Services (“NMFS”) and U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (“USFWS”) 2019 Biological Opinions for the Long-Term Operation of the CVP and SWP (“2019 BiOps”), SWRCB Water Rights Decision D-1641 (“D-1641”), as well as any temporary or modified regulatory requirements that may be in effect. Reclamation would provide the transfer water in such a manner that would not disrupt normal CVP and SWP operations, while complying with all current flow standards for the LAR from Lake Natoma to the confluence with the Sacramento River, 2019 BiOps, as well as the most up-to-date regulatory requirements for the Delta.

From the confluence of the Sacramento River and San Joaquin River at the head of the Delta, the transfer water would enter the tidal portion of the San Joaquin River and would be diverted 45 miles away at the SWP’s intake facility, Banks pumping plant, or the CVP’s intake facility, Jones pumping plant, both of which are located near the City of Tracy. Use of the Delta Cross Channel, when available, would decrease the total distance to the PORs by approximately 18 miles.

From the Banks pumping plant PORD, the transfer water could be conveyed south via the California Aqueduct to a Buyer's service area; conveyed south approximately 70 miles to the San Luis Reservoir PORD for temporary storage in the SLR prior to delivery to a Buyer's service area; or conveyed southwest in the South Bay Aqueduct to a buyer's service area in the East Bay. Alternatively, the transfer water could be diverted at the Jones pumping plant PORD; conveyed south approximately 70 miles to the SLR PORD for temporary storage in the SLR prior to delivery to a Buyer's service area or conveyed south for up to 117 miles in the Delta-Mendota Canal and thence to a Buyer's service area. At the time of this petition, FPUD anticipates that all of the transfer water would be made available to WWD via the Jones pumping plant and CVP facilities. If WWD does not have a need for all of the water made available by the Proposed Transfer, FPUD may contract to deliver water to other Buyers.

The transfer water may also be subject to the terms and conditions specified in the Warren Act Contract between Reclamation and the Buyer and/or a Conveyance Agreement with DWR, which would include terms to apply carriage losses to the transfer water to protect water quality in the Delta and account for conveyance losses during delivery (e.g., up to an estimated 30% carriage loss through the Delta and additional 5% for conveyance losses for use of the canal system).

5. Demonstrating Compliance with Water Code Statutes

The following provides the SWRCB with necessary information to answer the key questions articulated in Water Code section 1727, namely:

Section 1727(b)(1) The proposed temporary change would not injure any legal user of the water, during any potential hydrologic condition that the board determines is likely to occur during the proposed change, through significant changes in water quantity, water quality, timing of diversion or use, consumptive use of the water, or reduction in return flows.

Section 1727(b)(2) The proposed temporary change would not unreasonably affect fish, wildlife, or other instream beneficial uses.

5.1 Information to Support Finding of No Injury From Proposed Changes to Sugar Pine Reservoir Re-operation.

No legal user of water would be injured with the Proposed Transfer because FPUD's transfer of water would gradually increase streamflow in North Shirttail Canyon Creek. The transfer water would add to the river flows in the Sacramento watershed in a period of historically low water conditions and contribute to water quality objectives while enhancing the ability of water rights holders to access and divert their available water resources.

a. The proposed temporary transfer is stored water to supply prior existing and analyzed needs normally supplied by the Projects.

The water proposed for transfer pursuant to this temporary change consists of water previously stored in Sugar Pine Reservoir pursuant to Water Right Permit 15375. In the absence of the

proposed transfer, the water would remain in storage for future use by FPUD and would not be available to other water users. There will be no change in return flows for FPUD’s service area. Further, the releases from storage pursuant to the temporary transfer will not reduce the available supply to any other legal user of water downstream of Sugar Pine Reservoir.

In the absence of the proposed temporary change, the Projects would not have additional unappropriated natural flow available to meet in-stream or water quality objectives, including in the Delta. Additionally, the proposed temporary change will substitute for Project Stored Water that would otherwise have been released for the same purpose, for export to the Buyers at the Banks and/or Jones pumping plants. The substitution of water unavailable from the Projects with the proposed temporary change does not cause a new or unanalyzed impact that was not previously considered. Thus, the proposed temporary change will have no unanalyzed impacts on downstream water rights or environmental concerns, including Delta water users and water quality control.

To the extent necessary as determined by the CVP and SWP, the proposed temporary change includes 105 acre-feet of water to address potential conveyance-related losses. If losses exceed 105 acre-feet, they will be absorbed within the 2,000 acre-feet intended for transfer.

All impacts resulting from the place of use would be usual and customary under a normal course consistent with full (or greater) delivery of water from the Projects to the Buyers. Therefore, those impacts are consistent with historical impacts and potential impacts already analyzed in the relevant environmental reviews.

b. The proposed temporary transfer will be subject to a reservoir refill agreement preventing impacts to Project storage and Delta water quality.

The transfer is subject to a reservoir refill agreement with Reclamation and DWR ensuring that future refill to replace the stored water released for transfer will not reduce the amount of water that Reclamation, DWR, or other water users could otherwise divert under their water rights during the refill period. The refill agreement contemplates, among other things, that water usable for storage by the Projects, and water needed for the Projects’ water quality control responsibilities in the Delta will not be captured to refill Sugar Pine Reservoir.

c. Hydropower will not be affected.

The 2026 proposed transfer is a pass-through transfer and will not cause adverse impacts on hydropower production at Folsom Dam. When transfer water is not bypassed, hydropower should be increased by the 2026 transfer, because it is adding to stored water that presumably will be released through Folsom Dam’s powerhouse. When transfer water is bypassed, it would not have otherwise been available—absent the transfer—for hydropower production at Folsom Dam. Therefore, there should be zero impact to Folsom Dam’s hydropower generation. Reclamation reached the same conclusion after FPUD’s 2018 transfer and refunded FPUD’s prepayment under protest of a power loss surcharge. To the extent Reclamation again requires prepayment of a power loss surcharge, FPUD anticipates no loss of power or other impact and that Reclamation will again refund the surcharge.

d. There is excess capacity at Banks Pumping Plant.

FPUD will deliver the transfer water to WWD, which will have DWR deliver the water through the SWP's Banks Pumping Plant, which has excess capacity. FPUD and WWD have met with Reclamation and DWR, and WWD is now developing a conveyance agreement with DWR for the 2026 transfer.

e. Warren Act Contract.

A Warrant Act contract is unnecessary because no federal facilities are being used to store or to convey the 2026 transfer water. With respect to Folsom Reservoir, this is a pass-through transfer occurring during the Delta transfer window, so no transfer water will be stored by Reclamation in the Folsom Reservoir or the SWP share of the San Luis Reservoir, and the transfer water is not anticipated to be conveyed through the Banks pumping plant at this time. All 2026 transfer water is scheduled to be moved through the conveyance system by the end of October. To the extent a Warren Act contract is necessary, it is likely the responsibility of WWD. FPUD will work with DWR, Reclamation, and WWD as needed to meet applicable contract conditions.

f. The proposed transfer will increase water quality.

With regard to water quality, FPUD has superior, high water quality. Nestled in Tahoe National Forest, the surrounding uses of FPUD's Sugar Pine Reservoir are forestry and recreation. The raw water turbidity is less than 1 NTU and will enhance, rather than diminish downstream water quality.

5.2 Information to Support Finding of No Unreasonable Effects on the Environment from Sugar Pine Reservoir Reoperation.

An analysis of effects from FPUD's proposed water transfer on fish and wildlife in Sugar Pine Reservoir, North Shirttail Canyon Creek, and downstream watercourses indicates that the proposed transfer will not result in any unreasonable effects on those resources.

Below the North Shirttail Canyon Creek/North Fork American River confluence, the timing of the proposed transfer would likely have a positive effect on summer minimum instream flows and water quality in the upper American River. Delivery of transfer water to Folsom Reservoir in mid- to late summer will augment the cold water pool in the reservoir.

All water diverted at Banks or Jones will be done in accordance with the criteria contained in D-1641 and related BiOps. DWR and Reclamation will continue to meet the objectives specified in D-1641 or any subsequent orders in effect at the time of the export. The quantity of transfer water to be conveyed through the Delta, including other currently planned transfers, is well within the quantities analyzed in current BiOps and environmental documentation on the coordinated operation of the SWP and CVP and relevant BiOps. The proposed transfer agreement will be subject to all existing restrictions regarding use of the Delta Pumps, including existing BiOps.

a. Water temperature.

FPUD's water is cold and benefits the temperatures at the Folsom cold water pool and the American River. During previous transfers, FPUD retained consultants to collect and analyze data related to temperature. In all locations measured, releases from Sugar Pine Reservoir resulted in marginal cooling of the North Fork and American River flows. The 2026 transfer will occur under similar conditions and is expected to have similar beneficial results.

Further, by initiating the transfer after June 1, 2026, FPUD will avoid potential effects on the FYLF, because they will have matured enough to move to areas of slower water, just as the Sierra Nevada's FYLF do during the natural flow increase and abatement from summer thunderstorms. Late-season transfers are not necessary to avoid impacts on FYLF, because ramping and peak release rates are well within the natural variability of the hydrograph for North Shirttail Canyon Creek below Sugar Pine Dam. Nevertheless, late-season transfers void the concerns raised by wildlife agencies.

b. No Adverse Water Transfer Effects on Foothill Yellow-Legged Frog, Northwestern Pond Turtle, or Rainbow Trout in North Shirttail Canyon Creek.

In 2018 ECORPS conducted a monitoring study (Study) at Sugar Pine Dam to assess potential effects on the Foothill Yellow-legged Frog (FYLF), Northwestern Pond Turtle (NWPT), Rainbow Trout and water temperature from a water transfer following a similar path, release rate, and timing as the proposed 2026 water transfer. The U.S. Forest Service and California Department of Fish and Wildlife both provided input into the study plan to evaluate the potential effects of the transfer on their area of concern in the North Shirttail Canyon Creek, above its confluence with the larger North Fork American River.

The 2018 transfer started on September 8, ramped up to a peak release rate of 40 CFS, and ramped down to Sugar Pine Dam's minimum fishery flow release on September 27. The proposed 2026 transfer would start September 14, ramp up to a peak release rate of 30 cfs, and ramp down to the minimum fishery flow release on October 17. The 2018 Study showed that sightings of FYLF increased during and after the water transfer from the pre-transfer baseline level of FYLF sightings. The baseline level of FYLF sightings was 112 per day. At the peak flow of water release of 40 cfs, the number of FYLF sightings increased to 151 per day. The 2018 transfer occurred after the FYLF breeding season in approximately May, avoiding effects to eggs and tadpoles that are more vulnerable to changes in water velocity than juveniles and adults. Because the transfer was conducted in August and September, the FYLF breeding season was unaffected. The highest number of FYLF sightings was observed after the transfer, at a rate of 335 per day. The proposed 2026 transfer would start nearly a month later and is even less likely to have an effect on FYLF.

The Study did not document the presence of any NWPT, thus there was no evidence of any negative impacts on NWPT.

The Study found that there was a positive impact on temperature in the North Shirttail Canyon Creek, i.e., the water temperature decreased when the cool water in the reservoir was released into the creek. The Study identified the presence of Rainbow Trout in the creek and found that

gradual ramping of release rates at the start and end of the transfer period avoided stranding in remnant pools as the volume of water during the releases was reduced. The Study further found that the temperature in the confluence study area monitoring sites was reduced by an average of approximately 2 degrees centigrade during the transfer, and mean water temperatures declined at every monitoring site during the transfer including sites in the North Fork American river, providing a benefit to salmonids.

6. Other Relevant Information

As the lead agency, FPUD has the principal responsibility for approving and carrying out the proposed project and for complying with the requirements of CEQA, State CEQA Guidelines, and all other applicable regulations. As described above, this Proposed Transfer is exempt from CEQA.

In addition to DWR, Reclamation, and SWRCB, the Buyers are coordinating with appropriate local, state, and federal agencies to obtain all necessary approvals, consultations or noticing for the proposed transfer including:

- California Department of Fish and Wildlife
- California Regional Water Quality Control Board; and
- Placer County (FPUD) and Fresno and Kings Counties (WWD)

6.1 California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW)

Consistent with Water Code section 1726, a copy of this Petition will be sent at the time of Public Notice to Briana Seapy, the CDFW Region 2 water rights staff contact, at 1701 Nimbus Road, Rancho Cordova, CA 95670, 916-358-2909, and to Brad Henderson, Environmental Program Manager, CDFW Fisheries. As detailed in **Technical Appendix A**, the transfer has been determined not to have unreasonable effects on fish and wildlife.

6.2 California Regional Water Quality Control Board

FPUD will send to the Regional Board staff a copy of this Petition at the time of posting of the Public Notice and opening of the comment period. The water proposed for transfer is very high-quality runoff derived from snowmelt and rains falling in eastern Placer County.

The proposed transfer would not violate any water quality standards or waste discharge requirements. The proposed transfer would use existing reservoirs, streams, and rivers operating within all applicable requirements. Given ambient flow conditions and the relatively small amount of transfer water released, there would not be any existing water quality standards or waste discharge requirements that would not be met. The relatively small amount of the transfer (up to 2,000 acre-feet, plus up to 105 acre-feet to cover conveyance losses) being added to Folsom Reservoir would not violate water quality standards or waste discharge requirements. Agricultural activities in the Buyer's service areas would not change as a result of the proposed project, and no new violations in water quality standards or waste discharge requirements would occur.

6.3 County Notifications

FPUD will provide a copy of the petition to the counties of the Buyers as required by Water Code section 1726(c) [*A petitioner shall provide a copy of the petition to... the board of supervisors of the county or counties in which the petitioner current stores or uses the water subject to the petition, and the board of supervisors of the county or counties to which the water is proposed to be transferred.*]. Before FPUD considers contracting with any other Buyer outside of the Counties of Fresno and Kings, in the event that WWD does not need all of the transfer water, FPUD will provide a copy of the petition to the Buyer's county and coordinate regarding the county's concerns, if any.

Sugar Pine Reservoir Place of Use

Map Features

 Place of Use - P#15375 (36,152 ac.)

 Sugar Pine Reservoir

Attachment B - FPUD Service Area



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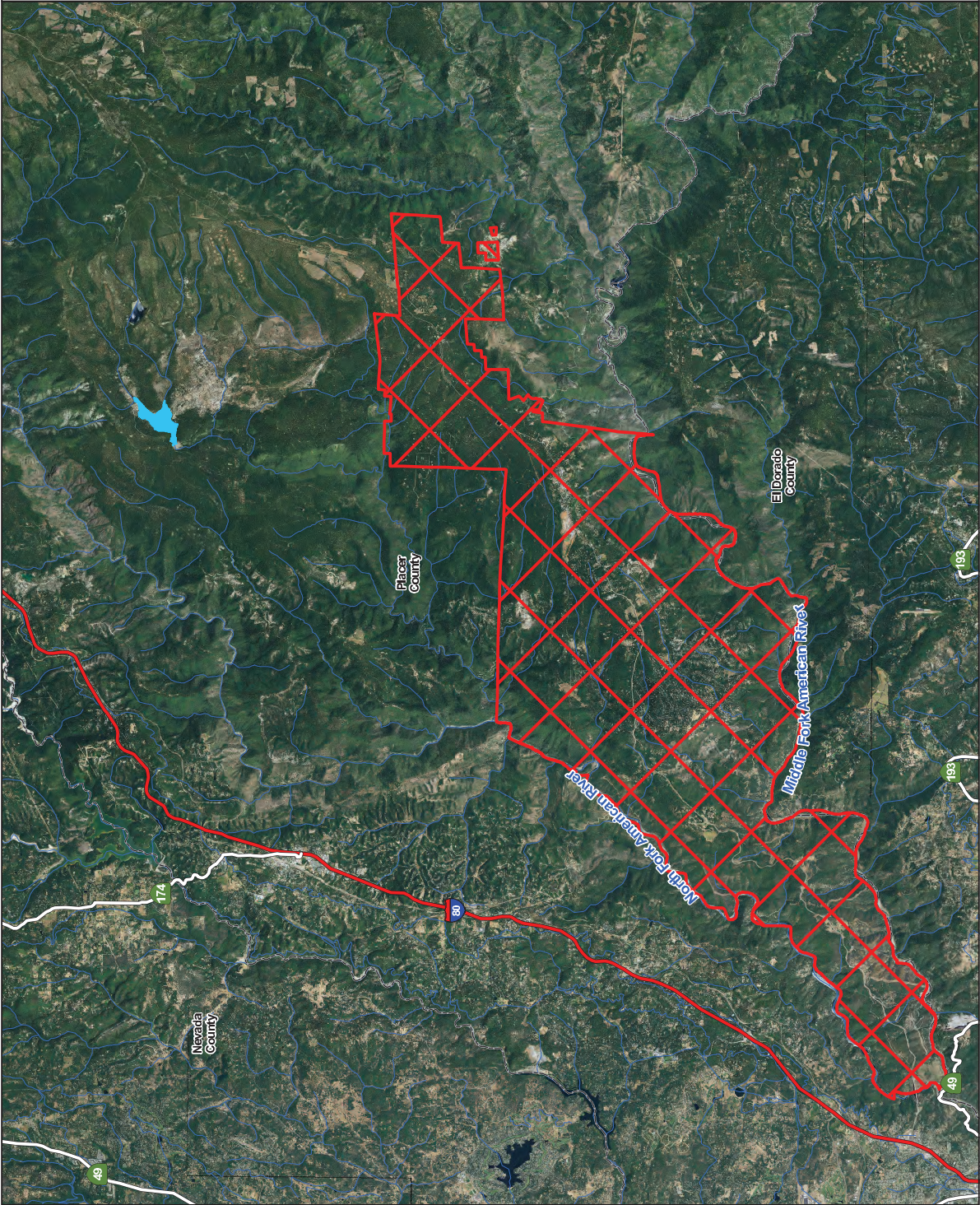


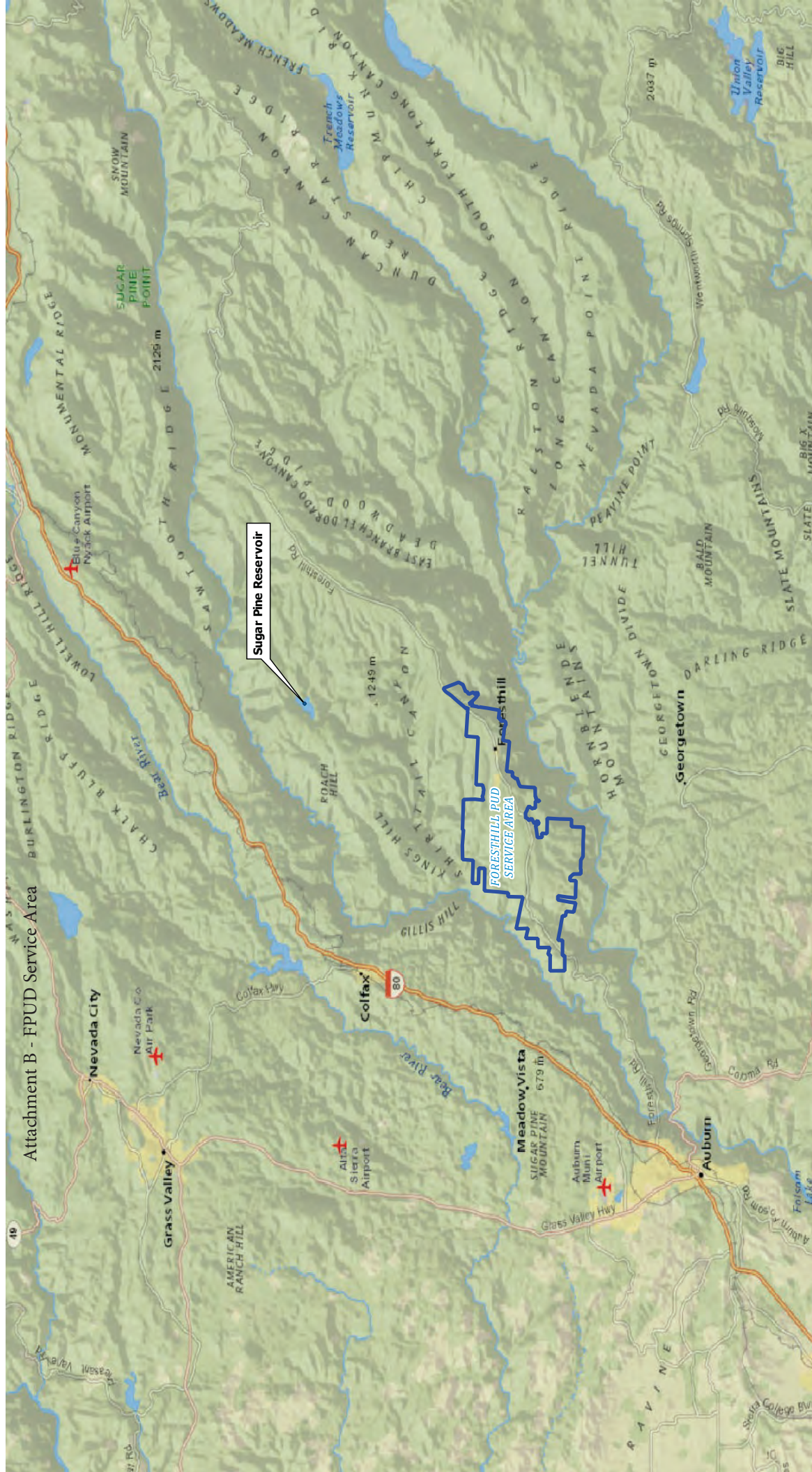
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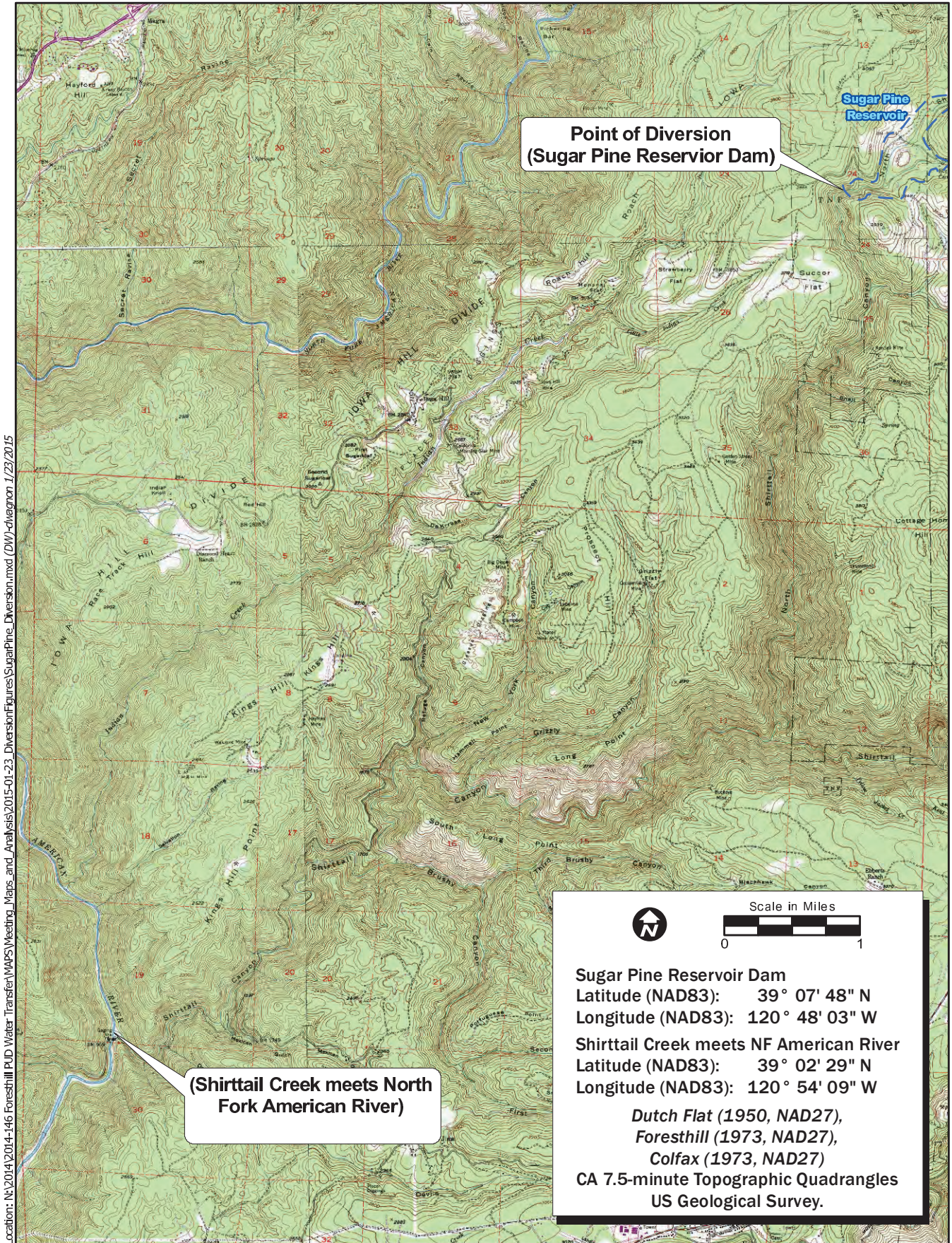
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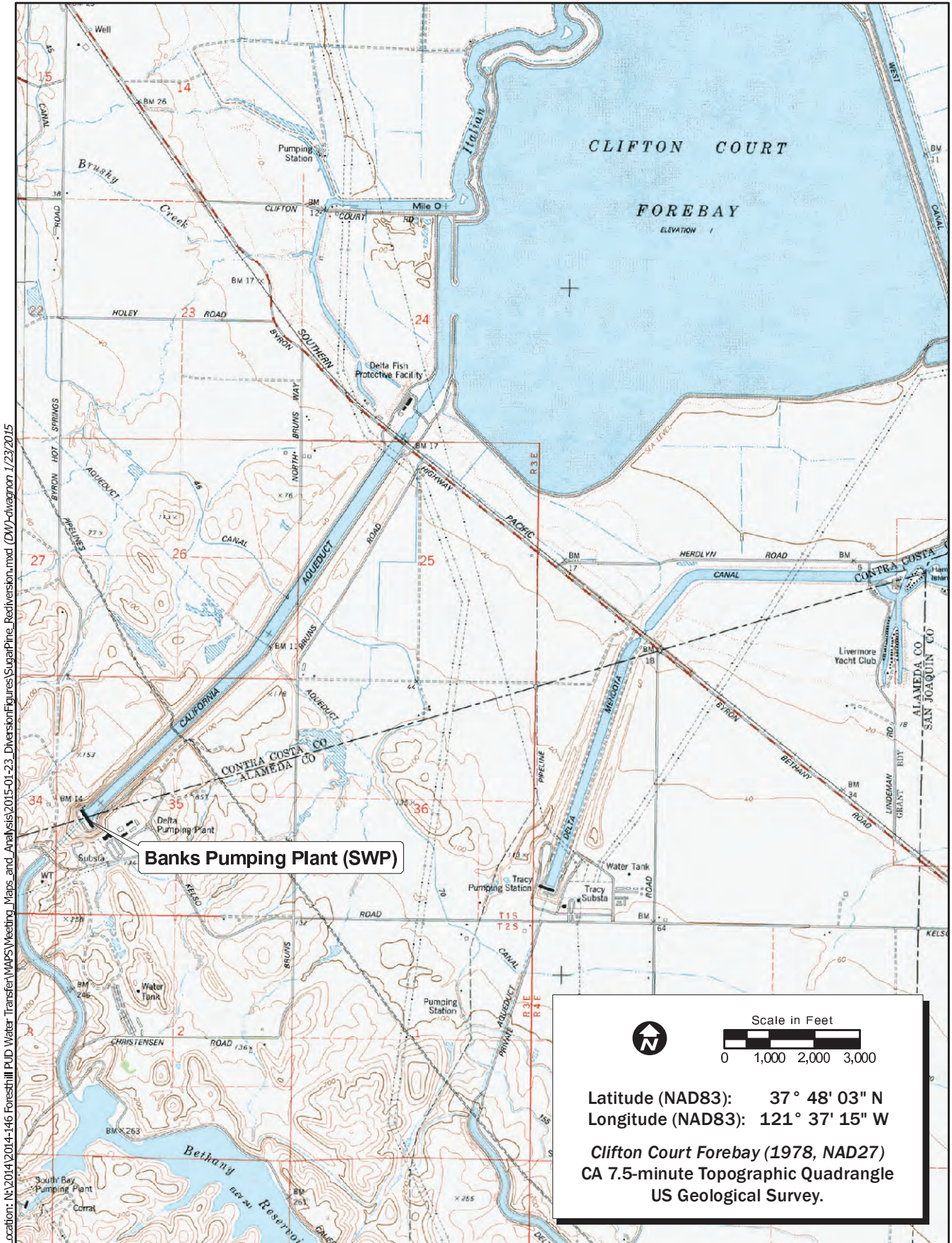
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