



September 2026 Grower Bulletin

FRIANT SHUTDOWN & IMPORTANT 218 ELECTION NOTICE

Growers within the Ivanhoe Irrigation District are strongly encouraged to make full use of their surface water allocation this season due to the Friant-Kern Canal shutdown and possible flood conditions from a Super El Nino event. Please coordinate with the office and your fellow IID growers to utilize their allocation.

218 Election (LOCATION/DATE CHANGE)

Growers are encouraged to **attend the upcoming board meeting**, held at **1:30pm in the AC Foods meeting shed (34945 Road 192, Woodlake, CA, 93286), on November 10th**. The meeting will cover regularly scheduled action items and other information as well as a hearing for the 218 Election and a casting of votes.

Friant-Kern Canal Outage (UPDATE)

Friant Water Authority is scheduled to shut down IID's FKC supply on **October 27th** (subject to change). This accelerated pace is due to forecasts of flood conditions this winter. To secure your water supply, IID encourages growers to **apply their allocation before the shutdown**, otherwise your carryover may be lost to flood releases if not delivered for recharge.

This Year at a Glance

2026 Allocation	1.08 ac-ft / acre (Increased 0.04 at July Board Meeting)
2026 Water Rate	\$280.00/ac-ft
Carryover	5% of 2026 Allocation
Friant-Kern Canal Outage (UPDATE)	Down for maintenance October 27 th – February 1 st
218 Election (LOCATION/DATE CHANGE)	November 10 th – 1:30pm at the AC Foods Meeting Shed

Why It's Important to Use Your Water Now

- The Friant-Kern Canal will be shut down for maintenance from November through February, limiting deliveries.
- Based on current projections, deliveries are running behind schedule, which is on pace to leave landowners with a large amount of water that will exceed the permitted 5% carryover.
- Carryover storage in Millerton Reservoir is not guaranteed – carryover storage is the first to be released during flood conditions.
- Any water not turned back by the September 14th deadline will be charged at the full District rate.

Winter 2026-2027 Outlook

Current forecasts show a high likelihood of a strong El Nino/Super El Nino event occurring this winter. Historical Super El Nino events have caused flood conditions due to above average precipitation (Winters 82'-83' and 97'-98' were both Super El Nino events). **This is further emphasis to utilize your allocation to reduce any carryover that can be spilled this winter.**

How to Request Water Delivery

We're glad to help you make the most of your allocation before the canal outage begins. Contact the District office to schedule your delivery or check your remaining allocation and carryover balance. Our staff can help you plan deliveries around your irrigation schedule.

Tuesday – Saturday Deliveries	Must be received by 8:00am the day prior to delivery
Sunday – Monday Deliveries	Must be received by 12:00pm on the preceding Friday
Delivery Options	24 Hours/email: waterorders@ivanhoeid.org
Payment Options	Cash / Check / Credit Card (3% processing fee)

Contact Us

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