



INFORMATIONAL BULLETIN

September 18, 2024

REVISED: DEADLINE TO TURN BACK WATER ALLOCATION TO THE DISTRICT

Growers who have been allocated water in 2024 are responsible to pay for the allocation, even if the water is not used by the end of season, which will be November 22, 2024. To avoid being charged for the water, the previous deadline for Growers to notify the District of a decision to turn back water was September 16, 2024. To provide growers with additional time to evaluate their water budget the Board extended the deadline to October 11, 2024. Please sign the enclosed form and return it to the office **no later than October 11, 2024**

However, in lieu of turning back the water, growers can also choose to have water diverted to receive recharge credit. Remember there is a 5% leave behind for any recharge done by growers. Please notify the office if you choose to recharge.

CARRYOVER 2024 WATER SUPPLY TO 2025

Depending on if the Bureau of Reclamation (BOR) will allow carryover of 2024 water supply, the Board approved Growers carryover up to 20% of their allocated water. However, if the Grower allocation of 20% exceeds the carryover volume of water allowed by the BOR, then Grower's carryover will be prorated accordingly, and the balance will be diverted at the cost of the Grower.

Growers assume the risk that carryover water may be **lost**, if an uncontrolled season (flood release) is called by the BOR. In the case of a flood release, the District will try to mitigate the impact to growers by diverting as much water as possible for recharge credit. For any recharge, the owner of the water will receive surface water credit, which will be reported on their behalf to the East Kaweah GSA.

At the September 17, 2024, Board of Directors meeting, the Board set the price of carry-over water at the current year's water rate, which is \$250 per acre-foot. Carried over water will need to be paid before or on December 1, 2024. Also, growers are responsible for paying the Bureau's fee of \$9.93 per acre-foot to carryover water.

CREDIT CARD PAYMENT OPTION ANNOUNCEMENT

We are exploring the option of accepting credit card payments. If you are interested in utilizing this payment method and are willing to pay a 3% surcharge fee, please contact our office at **559-798-1118**.

Your feedback will help us determine the feasibility of this option. Thank you for your participation!

2024 WATER ORDERS AND OFFICE OPERATIONS:

The District office is open Monday through Friday, **7:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.**

For the 2024 season, to accommodate the District’s growers and encourage surface water use, water orders only need a **24-hour advance notice**.

To accommodate the advance notice, the **call-in time** will be strictly adhered to, with no exceptions.

- Water orders for Tuesday through Saturday must be placed by **8:00 a.m.**, preceding next day delivery.
- Water orders for Sunday and Monday must be placed by **12:00 p.m.** on the preceding Friday.

EMERGENCY CONTACTS

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WATER RELEASE

Date: _____ 20 _____

Customer Account: _____

The undersigned water user agrees to return to the Ivanhoe Irrigation District, all water allocated to their account for use during the 2024 irrigation season.

Print Name: _____

Sign: _____