



# Westlands Water District

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## **October 15 Board Report**

### **2010-2011 Projected CVP Water Supply**

Mr. Tom Glover, Deputy General Manager – Resources, reported that the following table represents the current expected range of allocations for the 2010-2011 water year for south-of-Delta Ag contractors under specified hydrologic conditions. As conditions change, these projections will be adjusted.

<b>Assumed Hydrology</b>	<b>Allocation Range</b>
Dry	0-10%
Average	10-30%
Wet	25-40%

Mr. Glover also reported that CVP water storage in San Luis Reservoir has been increasing steadily over the last month and is now up to about 240,000 acre-feet, while the SWP portion of storage has been decreasing and is now only 155,000 acre-feet. Operational studies project that the CVP portion of San Luis Reservoir will reach about 600,000 acre-feet under a median or average hydrology. If the hydrology is wet, however, the Reservoir could fill by the end of February.

### **Water User Workshop on Groundwater Conditions – November 10, 2009**

The District will hold a water user workshop on Tuesday, November 10, 2009, at 9:00 a.m., at the District's Five Points Field Office. District staff and consultants will provide information on groundwater conditions, pumping volume, recharge, water quality and subsidence. The workshop will conclude with a discussion of potential management programs and seek input from water users. An agenda for the workshop is attached.

### **Supplemental Water Update and Survey – Response Requested**

The District's current, timely applications total 155,522 acre-feet. The District has acquired enough water to meet timely requests. The District has allocated 128,344 acre-feet through the end of September. The remainder of the Supplemental Water acquired will be allocated as follows (amounts approximated):

<b>Allocation Month</b>	<b>Allocation (AF)</b>
October	20,000
November	7,178

For the 2010-2011 water year, the District is pursuing the acquisition of approximately 100,000 acre-feet of Supplemental Water. Attached separately to this notice is a survey requesting water user input as to the amount of water the District should acquire at various price points on behalf of users. Please respond by completing the form and returning it to the District by October 30, 2009.

### **District Website**

Customer web account users are to be commended for their extensive use of the new online process for submitting crop report information. Providing your information to the District using this secure computer process is cost effective and more accurate than the practice of submitting this information on paper. Please take a moment to familiarize yourself with the other functions available to you on the customer web site. For example, a large number of water users submit their water orders online without requiring District staff input into the process. Increasing water user participation in online water ordering will allow the District to operate more efficiently and can result in cost savings. District staff invites and encourages you to contact the Customer Accounting Department at (559) 241-6250 if you would like assistance using any of the available menu items.

### **Bollibokka Fishing Club Reservations for 2010**

Reservations are now being accepted for the Bollibokka Fishing Club for the 2010 season. The early reservation period opens to landowners and water users beginning on November 1, 2009, and continues through January 31, 2010. Please see the attached flyer for further information about the Bollibokka Fishing Club and how to make reservations.

### **Holiday Office Closure & Water Ordering Procedures**

District offices will be closed on Wednesday, November 11, 2009, in observance of Veterans Day. The affected water ordering deadlines are as follows:

<b>For Water Use On</b>	<b>Place Water Order By</b>
Wednesday – November 11	Tuesday, November 10, 9:30 a.m.
Thursday – November 12	Tuesday, November 10, noon

The emergency telephone number for after hours and holidays is (559) 224-1523.