



Westlands Water District

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This notice contains important information about the following:

- **CVP Water Supply Update**
- **Cushion Water Allocation**
- **Supplemental Water Update**
- **Lease of District Owned Land**
- **Kern County Water Agency's 50th Anniversary Summit**

CVP Water Supply Update

The CVP allocation to south-of-Delta agricultural water service contractors remains at 80 percent. Storage in Shasta Reservoir is approximately 3.42 million acre-feet, which is about 120 percent of normal for this time of year. Federal storage in San Luis Reservoir is approximately 630,000 acre-feet (218 percent of historical average). The Jones Pumping Plant is expected to operate at or near capacity through the end of the calendar year, which should result in the filling of San Luis Reservoir early next year.

District staff projects, based upon water usage-to-date and historical demands for the remainder of the water year, that up to 235,000 acre-feet of the District's water supply will be unused at year-end. Although the District's Rescheduled Water Policy provides for a 0.5 acre-feet per irrigable acre Acreage Based Cap for Rescheduled Water, loss of a portion of the 0.5 acre-feet per irrigable acre may occur. Water users are reminded that the District's Rescheduled Water Policy states that water users shall pay all water costs that the District incurs, the San Luis & Delta-Mendota Water Authority O&M rate and any applicable District rates for lost water.

The District will continue monitoring the operations of the CVP and the District's water use, and provide updates monthly so that water users can plan for the 2012 water year.

Cushion Water Allocation

The District will allocate this month 9,368 acre-feet of 2011-2012 CVP Interim Contract water, previously withheld as cushion against system losses, pursuant to the Regulations for the Allocation and Use of Agricultural Water within Westlands Water District.

Supplemental Water Update

Water users have submitted timely agreements to purchase 47,410 acre-feet of Supplemental Water. Late agreements to purchase 1,600 acre-feet have also been received. The District will meet all supplemental water requests and the final allocation will be in October. The delivered price is expected to be no more than \$155 per acre-foot.

The timing and amounts of expected allocations are shown in the table below.

Allocation Month	AF Amount
May – Actual	16,985
June – Actual	16,479
July – Actual	2,751
August – Actual	7,557
September – Actual	1,751
October – Final	3,487

Lease of District Owned Land

The District still has land available for lease. About 750 acres are available in Fresno County and about 1,650 acres are available in Kings County. For a detailed list of available land, please contact Cork McIsaac of Agricultural Industries, Inc. at (916) 372-5595 or (800) 822-1415.

Kern County Water Agency's 50th Anniversary Summit

To mark its 50th anniversary, the Kern County Water Agency is hosting Vision 2061 on Friday, October 21, 2011 at Bakersfield College beginning at 8:00 AM. The District is proud to serve as a sponsor of this educational event, aimed at helping California meet its water needs during the next 50 years. It will bring federal, state and local leaders and stakeholder organizations together to encourage creative thinking and big ideas. Registration is free and for more information please go to <http://vision2061.kcwa.com> or phone (661) 634-1400.