

# THE CENTRAL SAN JOAQUIN WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

*"67,000 acres of diversified family farms in San Joaquin County, California"*  
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Dear Landowner:

On February 28, 2017, the Bureau of Reclamation released surface water allocations for the New Melones Unit of the Central Valley Project. The District has received a full allocation of 80,000 acre feet of surface water for the 2017 irrigation season. Any users interested in taking surface water during the 2017 irrigation season, should contact the District Office. The District's delivery of surface water beneficially addresses the over-drafted conditions of the groundwater basin and delivery of surface water this year is expected to start on or about April 15, 2017.

To update you on District activity, please be advised that the District has applied to the State of California to become a Groundwater Sustainability Agency. This is required by all areas within the Eastern San Joaquin County Groundwater Basin. In addition, the District is opposing the State Water Resources Control Board's process to modify the environmental document related to flows on the Stanislaus River. Such modification would negatively impact surface water availability under our existing Bureau of Reclamation contract.

Please be reminded that the District continues to make financial assistance available for surface water pumping facilities to acreage that has previously been irrigated solely from groundwater. You are encouraged to contact the District regarding this program at (209) 466-7952. For information regarding current District activities please refer to the District website at [www.csjwcd.com](http://www.csjwcd.com).

Very Truly Yours,

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