


NOTICE TO STATE WATER PROJECT CONTRACTORS**Date:** 1/26/2023**Number:** 23-03**Subject:** Increase of State Water Project 2023 Allocation to 30 Percent

From: 

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Due to extreme weather and a series of atmospheric rivers from late December 2022 through January 2023, the Department of Water Resources (DWR) is increasing the State Water Project (SWP) allocation from 5 percent to 30 percent of most¹ SWP contractors Maximum Annual Table A amounts.

Based on currently available information, the 30 percent Table A allocation should be sufficient to eliminate all contractors' provisional human health and safety (HH&S) allocations identified in the Notice to State Water Project Contractors 22-04, Initial 2023 Allocation.

In determining available SWP supplies, DWR has considered several factors including SWP contractors' projected 2023 demands, existing storage in SWP conservation facilities, estimates of future runoff, SWP operational and regulatory requirements from the federal Endangered Species Act and California Endangered Species Act, and water rights obligations under the State Water Resources Control Board's authority. DWR may revise the SWP allocation if warranted by the year's developing hydrologic conditions and available SWP water supplies.

DWR will utilize the 30 percent schedules submitted by the Contractors in October 2022 (as part of initial requests), including any subsequent updates that may have been

¹ Attachment A presents these allocations.

provided to DWR. If a contractor foresees any changes to their water delivery schedule, please communicate such changes with DWR in a timely manner.

If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact John Leahigh, Assistant Division Manager, Water Management, SWP Division of Operations and Maintenance, at (916) 902-9876.

Attachment A: Updated 2023 SWP Allocation Table