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Project Title: Modification of Water Right Permit 21112

Lead Agency: El Dorado Irrigation District

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Project Location:	Folsom, Kirkwood, Kyburz, Placerville, Sacramento;	Alpine, Amador, El Dorado, Sacramento
	<i>City</i>	<i>County</i>

Project Description (Proposed actions, location, and/or consequences).

The Modification of Water Right Permit 21112 (Project) involves adding an additional authorized upstream point of diversion at the El Dorado Irrigation District's (EID) existing El Dorado Diversion Dam, located on the South Fork American River (South Fork), and an additional place of storage and point of re-diversion to storage at Jenkinson Lake to EID's existing Water Right Permit 21112. No new physical infrastructure would be needed for EID to divert Permit 21112 water at the El Dorado Diversion Dam. However, to convey at Permit 21112's authorized maximum rate of diversion of 156 cubic feet per second from the El Dorado Diversion Dam to Jenkinson Lake, future improvements to the El Dorado Canal and the channel that conveys water from the outfall of the Hazel Creek Tunnel to Jenkinson Lake would be required.

Identify the project's significant or potentially significant effects and briefly describe any proposed mitigation measures that would reduce or avoid that effect.

Based on the analysis contained in the Draft EIR, implementation of the Project would have no significant and unavoidable environmental impacts. For all CEQA resource areas where potentially significant impacts were identified, the Draft EIR found that those impacts could be mitigated to a less than significant level. Because infrastructure improvements and associated construction-related impacts are analyzed at a programmatic level, the District determined that providing construction-related impact conclusions for some CEQA resource categories at this time is speculative given the lack of project-level details regarding the infrastructure improvements. Therefore, in some instances the District is electing to defer the determination of significance to the subsequent project-level environmental analysis once sufficient design details are known.

If applicable, describe any of the project's areas of controversy known to the Lead Agency, including issues raised by agencies and the public.

The Project involves the diversion of surface water that may result in hydrologic changes in affected river reaches and reservoirs within the Project area (e.g., changes to stream flows and reservoir storage). During the public scoping period for this EIR, stakeholders expressed interest and concerns regarding how potential changes to stream flows and/or reservoir storage may impact aquatic resources (e.g., special status salmonids in the Lower American River). Also, during the scoping period for this EIR, stakeholders expressed interest and concerns regarding how potential changes to stream flows in the South Fork American River may impact recreational opportunities associated with whitewater rafting, kayaking, and other whitewater-related experiences. The Draft EIR contains extensive analysis for these areas of concern. The hydrologic changes associated with the Project and the corresponding impact analysis performed for the Project are based on detailed hydrologic modeling, the results of which are provided in Appendices B1 through B3 of this EIR. The potential impacts associated with these subjects are further analyzed in detail in Chapter 4.4, "Biological Resources," and Chapter 4.16, "Recreation," of this EIR.

Provide a list of the responsible or trustee agencies for the project.

California State Water Resources Control Board
California Department of Fish and Wildlife
Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board