

Summary Form for Electronic Document Submittal

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SCH #: _____

Project Title: Biggs-West Gridley Water District 2026 Water Transfer Program

Lead Agency: Biggs-West Gridley Water District

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Project Location: Gridley, Butte County

City

County

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

BWGWD proposes to sell during the 2026 irrigation season up to 18,780 acre-feet ("AF") of water to participating member districts of the State Water Contractors, Inc. or other south of Delta purchasers, including Central Valley Project contractors, or a buyer diverting the transfer water from within or upstream of the Delta (collectively, "Buyers"). Buyers and others are seeking up to approximately 100,000 AF of transfer water from various willing sellers in the Sacramento Valley during the 2026 irrigation season. Purchasing this water would lessen potential water supply shortages to these parties that may occur as a result of dry hydrologic conditions and regulatory restrictions on pumping in the Delta. As a willing seller, BWGWD would make up to 18,780 AF of water available to Buyers by idling cropland (i.e., non-irrigation of farmland by voluntary participants). Water made available by crop idling within the boundaries of the BWGWD would then be retained and stored by the Department of Water Resources ("DWR") in Lake Oroville for delivery to Buyers. BWGWD's proposed transfer will comply with the most current Draft Technical Information for Preparing Water Transfer Proposals prepared by DWR and the U.S. Bureau of Reclamation dated December 2019 (Draft Technical Information), as applicable to land idling transfers.

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

This project has no potentially significant impacts as described in the MND.

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

N/A

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

Air Resources Board
Department of Fish and Wildlife Region #2
Regional Water Quality Control Board #5
Resources Agency
Department of Water Resources