

# South San Joaquin Irrigation District Approves Water Allocation Augmentation Policy

*Additional Water Supplies May be Available To You If Approved*

At its board meeting on Tuesday, August 9, 2016 the SSJID board voted to approve management's proposal to adopt a **Water Allocation Augmentation Policy** (WAAP) which may assist you as an SSJID grower. As you are aware, all growers are limited to 40" per parcel for the 2016 growing season. Because of this year's hydrology and water supply, reservoir storage management and your diligent efforts to conserve water using efficient irrigation practices, the District is in a position to make more water available to growers who find themselves in hardship due to weather trends and the 40" limit. The board made this decision considering water-use trends to date, not only for the current year, but for the past two years as well.

***The case-by-case process will be:***

- 1. Growers that may exhaust (or that have already exhausted) the 40" allocation limit may apply to the District water conservation coordinator to increase their allocation. The District will provide applications available from your division manager or ditch tender, or by coming into our office's Engineering Department to fill out an application. If you fill out the application in the field, your DM/DT will bring the application to the District's conservation coordinator for consideration. You will be asked to provide your account number and the assessor's parcel number of the fields to receive the potential increase in allocation.***
- 2. Upon review and consideration of the application, SSJID's general manager (GM), Peter Rietkerk, is authorized to make a decision regarding an additional allocation increase and you will be notified of his decision.***

The 40" per parcel limit is still in effect unless a WAAP application has been approved. This is to help maintain drought awareness and continued vigilance toward efficient irrigation practices. The new WAAP has been approved for 2016 only and is being offered to those who need it in consideration of the measures many irrigators have taken, at considerable cost in some cases, to stay within the limit imposed by the District. Keep in mind that even with approval of the GM for additional water over 40", any usage that exceeds 48" will be subject to the Tier II Charge of \$10 per acre-foot of additional water, and rates already established for users of the Pressurized System will also be in affect. ***Any questions regarding the new Water Allocation Augmentation Policy can be directed to Julie Vrieling, water conservation coordinator, at (209) 249-4675 or [jvrieling@ssjid.com](mailto:jvrieling@ssjid.com) As noted above, applications for this program are available from your water delivery staff as well as from Mrs. Vrieling.***

**South San Joaquin Irrigation District**  
**Application for Water Allocation Augmentation**  
Irrigation Season of 2016

**Please list the assessor's parcel numbers (APN) of fields needing more allocation:**

	<b>APN</b>	<b>Billing Account No.</b>	<b>Extra Inches or Acre Feet Needed</b>
<b>Field 1</b>			
<b>Field 2</b>			
<b>Field 3</b>			
<b>Field 4</b>			
<b>Field 5</b>			
<b>Field 6</b>			
<b>Field 7</b>			
<b>Field 8</b>			
<b>Field 9</b>			
<b>Field 10</b>			

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**Applicant Signature** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Date**

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**Applicant Name**

**General Manager's Approval:**

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**Signature** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Date**