

DISTRICT/LANDOWNER/OPERATOR OPERATING POLICIES

RULES GOVERNING WATER SERVICE

DISTRIBUTION OF WATER

Procedures listed below are required to operate the pumping plants effectively and to satisfy water scheduling requirements through the Bureau of Reclamation system on the Colorado River. Following these procedures will provide, efficient and timely water deliveries to the water user.

1. Water Orders

- a) It is the responsibility of the water user to see that orders for irrigation water are placed with the dispatcher (District Water Office) on any day before noon for delivery the third day following. Water ordered after noon will be considered to have been ordered the following day. For example, water ordered on Monday will be available on Thursday.
 1. Name of User and contract number
 2. Zanjero Division, Lateral & Turnout
 3. Size of head and total hours required
 4. Preferred date
- b) The District reserves the right to move a water order one day earlier or one day later than the preferred date to fit pumping schedules and to facilitate operation of the system.
- c) "Request Water" will be considered only in extreme emergency and will be subject to availability. Improperly planned water orders will not be considered an emergency.

2. Water Order Confirmation

- a) Confirmation of a water order must be made to the dispatcher by 10:00 p.m. of the day prior to the actual delivery date. The following information is required before delivery is made:
 1. Zanjero Division. Lateral and Turnout number.
 2. Who to contact when water is delivered, and where this person can be found.
- b) It is the responsibility of the water user to see that orders are confirmed. although the district will make every effort to contact the water user to effect this confirmation.
- c) If confirmation can not be made, the water order will then be treated as "Request Water". (See paragraph 1c) above)

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3. Water Order Cancellations

- a) Cancellation of a water order is the responsibility of the water user and must be made by the water user at least 12 hours prior to the time of scheduled delivery.
- b) Failure to cancel a water order 12 hours prior to scheduled delivery will result in a charge for the amount of water wasted until regulated flows can again be established.
- c) In event of emergency as caused by weather and as determined by the District, the provisions of paragraph 3b) may be waived.

4. Two or More Users on a Lateral

- a) When two or more users use the same lateral and can reach no agreement between themselves on its use, the Watermaster may allocate the time and use on the basis of their relative irrigable acreages.
- b) Water user may have unrestricted use of lateral if there are no other water orders on record.
- c) Where multiple water orders for a common lateral are on record, they will be processed for time requested and by time of placement of water order.

Water delivery will be limited to 72 hours maximum unless the water user at the time of notice for finish time (See paragraph 7 Finish Time) feel s additional time is necessary for completion. If such is the case, request for extension of time will be made to the Zanjero.

One extension will be granted not to exceed 6 hours. Any further extension must be by mutual agreement with the next water user on order.

5. Overdrawn Contracts

- a) It is the water user's responsibility to purchase enough water to clear any overdraft 12 hours prior to a scheduled delivery or to cancel the water order.
- b) The water user must have a water credit sufficient to cover the scheduled water order before delivery of water will be started.
- c) In event a water contract goes overdrawn during an irrigation, the water user will be given a 48-hour notice prior to cutoff.

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