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2020 TEMPORARY WATER TRANSFER UPDATE

On September 23, 2020, the District has successfully completed the release of 2,000 acre-feet of water from the Stumpy Meadows reservoir for delivery to Westlands Water District (WWD). This one-time, temporary water transfer will bring in approximately $665,000 in revenue to the District. As directed by the Board of Directors, these funds will be deposited into the District's Capital Improvement Project fund and will be used solely for deferred capital improvement projects.

Under the terms of our Water Purchase and Sale Agreement with WWD, the District has already received $120,000 in "option" and "call" payments from WWD. The District expects to receive a payment of $203,280 for water transferred during August in the next weeks, and a payment for the remaining balance of approximately $340,000 by the end of October

District staff initially projected that the Stumpy Meadows reservoir storage would be at 50% of capacity at the end of September 2020. However, due to late season rains and other factors, the Stumpy Meadows reservoir storage level at the end of September is projected to be 66% of capacity. The 55-year average end of September storage level is 73%.

Documents associated with the 2020 Temporary Water Transfer can be found on the District's website at https://www.gd-pud.org/water-supply.

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