STATE OF CALIFORNIA
CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY
STATE WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD
DIVISION OF WATER RIGHTS

# PERMIT FOR DIVERSION AND USE OF WATER

## PERMIT 21178

Application **30328** of **Tejon Ranchcorp**
**P.O. Box 1000**
**Lebec, CA 93243**

filed on **December 23, 1993**, has been approved by the State Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB) SUBJECT TO PRIOR RIGHTS and to the limitations and conditions of this permit.

**Permittee is hereby authorized to divert and use water as follows:**

1. Source of water

Source: **Pastoria Creek**

Tributary to: **Buena Vista Lake**

within the County of **Kern.**

2. Location of point of diversion

| By California Coordinate System of 1927, Zone **5** | 40-acre subdivision of public land survey or projection thereof | Section (Projected)* | Township | Range | Base and Meridian |
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| **526,800N 1,747,700E** | **SW¼ of SW¼** | **18** | **10N** | **18W** | **SB** |
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| 3. Purpose of use | 4. Place of use | Section (Projected)* | Township | Range | Base and Meridian | Acres |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| **Mining** | | **18** | **10N** | **18W** | **SB** | **N/A** |
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The place of use is shown on map dated 2003 on file with the SWRCB.

5. The water appropriated shall be limited to the quantity, which can be beneficially used and shall not exceed **10 cubic feet per second** by direct diversion and **6** acre-feet per annum by storage from **November 1** to **May 31** of each year. The total amount of water to be taken from the sources shall not exceed **21** acre-feet per water year of October 1 to September 30. The maximum total diversions under all permits issued under Applications 30325 – 30329 and 31043 – 31048 shall not exceed 15,000 acre-feet in any calendar year.

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6. Permittee is signatory to the February 2004 Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) among permittee, Wheeler Ridge-Maricopa Water Storage District, Kern Delta Water District, Arvin Edison Water Storage District and Kern County Water Agency, which places additional conditions on the operation of the project described in this permit. The State Water Resources Control Board acknowledges the existence of the MOU, but makes no findings as to the content of the MOU and, therefore, will not enforce the conditions of the MOU as a condition of this permit. Enforceable terms defining the scope of the permit are listed independently in the permit and may not be included in the MOU.

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7. Construction work and complete application of the water to the authorized use shall be prosecuted with reasonable diligence and completed by December 31, 2014.

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8. Progress reports shall be submitted promptly by permittee when requested by the SWRCB until a license is issued.

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9. Permittee shall allow representatives of the SWRCB and other parties, as may be authorized from time to time by said SWRCB, reasonable access to project works to determine compliance with the terms of this permit.

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10. Pursuant to California Water Code sections 100 and 275, and the common law public trust doctrine, all rights and privileges under this permit and under any license issued pursuant thereto, including method of diversion, method of use, and quantity of water diverted, are subject to the continuing authority of SWRCB in accordance with law and in the interest of the public welfare to protect public trust uses and to prevent waste, unreasonable use, unreasonable method of use, or unreasonable method of diversion of said water.

11. The continuing authority of the SWRCB may be exercised by imposing specific requirements over and above those contained in this permit with a view to eliminating waste of water and to meeting the reasonable water requirements of permittee without unreasonable draft on the source. Permittee may be required to implement a water conservation plan, features of which may include but not necessarily be limited to (1) reusing or reclaiming the water allocated; (2) using water reclaimed by another entity instead of all or part of the water allocated;

(3) restricting diversions so as to eliminate agricultural tailwater or to reduce return flow; (4) suppressing evaporation losses from water surfaces; (5) controlling phreatophytic growth; and (6) installing, maintaining, and operating efficient water measuring devices to assure compliance with the quantity limitations of this permit and to determine accurately water use as against reasonable water requirements for the authorized project. No action will be taken pursuant to this paragraph unless the SWRCB determines, after notice to affected parties and opportunity for hearing, that such specific requirements are physically and financially feasible and are appropriate to the particular situation.

The continuing authority of the SWRCB also may be exercised by imposing further limitations on the diversion and use of water by the permittee in order to protect public trust uses. No action will be taken pursuant to this paragraph unless the SWRCB determines, after notice to affected parties and opportunity for hearing, that such action is consistent with California Constitution Article X, Section 2; is consistent with the public interest; and is necessary to preserve or restore the uses protected by the public trust.

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12. The quantity of water diverted under this permit and under any license issued pursuant thereto is subject to modification by the SWRCB if, after notice to the permittee and an opportunity for hearing, the SWRCB finds that such modification is necessary to meet water quality objectives in water quality control plans which have been or hereafter may be established or modified pursuant to Division 7 of the Water Code. No action will be taken pursuant to this paragraph unless the SWRCB finds that (1) adequate waste discharge requirements have been prescribed and are in effect with respect to all waste discharges, which have any substantial effect upon water quality in the area involved, and (2) the water quality objectives cannot be achieved solely through the control of waste discharges.

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13. This permit does not authorize any act that results in the taking of a threatened or endangered species or any act that is now prohibited, or becomes prohibited in the future, under either the California Endangered Species Act (Fish & G. Code, §§ 2050-2097) or the federal Endangered Species Act (16 U.S.C.A. §§ 1531-1544). If a "take" will result from any act authorized under this water right, the permittee shall obtain authorization for an incidental take prior to construction or operation of the project. Permittee shall be responsible for meeting all requirements of the applicable Endangered Species Act for the project authorized under this permit.

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14. Permittee shall maintain records and submit annual reports of diversion and use of water satisfactory to the Chief of the Division of Water Rights as outlined in the July 2005 Diversion Monitoring, Accounting and Reporting Plan. The report is due December 1 of each year and shall cover the period October 1 of the previous year through September 31 of the current year. Permittee shall submit the annual reports until such time as the Division Chief provides written notification that these reports no longer need to be submitted.

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15. No work shall commence and no water shall be diverted, stored or used under this permit until a copy of a stream or lake alteration agreement between the State Department of Fish and Game and the permittee is filed with the Division of Water Rights. Compliance with the terms and conditions of the agreement is the responsibility of the permittee. If a stream or lake agreement is not necessary for this permitted project, the permittee shall provide the Division of Water Rights a copy of a waiver signed by the State Department of Fish and Game.

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***This permit is issued and permittee takes it subject to the following provisions of the Water Code:***

*Section 1390. A permit shall be effective for such time as the water actually appropriated under it is used for a useful and beneficial purpose in conformity with this division (of the Water Code), but no longer.*

*Section 1391. Every permit shall include the enumeration of conditions therein which in substance shall include all of the provisions of this article and the statement that any appropriator of water to whom a permit is issued takes it subject to the conditions therein expressed.*

*Section 1392. Every permittee, if he accepts a permit, does so under the conditions precedent that no value whatsoever in excess of the actual amount paid to the State therefor shall at any time be assigned to or claimed for any permit granted or issued under the provisions of this division (of the Water Code), or for any rights granted or acquired under the provisions of this division (of the Water Code), in respect to the regulation by any competent public authority of the services or the price of the services to be rendered by any permittee or by the holder of any rights granted or acquired under the provisions of this division (of the Water Code) or in respect to any valuation for purposes of sale to or purchase, whether through condemnation proceedings or otherwise, by the State or any city, city and county, municipal water district, irrigation district, lighting district, or any political subdivision of the State, of the rights and property of any permittee, or the possessor of any rights granted, issued, or acquired under the provisions of this division (of the Water Code).*

Dated MAR 2 4 2006

STATE WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD

James W. Kassel
for Victoria A. Whitney, Chief
Division of Water Rights