



## Merced Irrigation District Requests Final Water Orders for End of Season

*Orders should be placed by Friday, Oct. 25*

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MERCED, CA – Merced Irrigation District officials are urging growers to place their final water orders of the season within the coming days. The irrigation season will end at midnight on Oct. 31.

Final orders with guaranteed delivery can be placed until 5 p.m. Friday Oct. 25. All regular options for ordering are available, including calling the Customer Service Department, the automated phone system and accessing the MID website. After that, orders can only be placed by contacting the Customer Service Department: water will be provided on a case-by-case basis, only if it is available in that requested area as determined by the Operations Department.

“This has been a challenging season in this second consecutive dry year. The cooperation between our growers and MID employees has been tremendous,” said General Manager John Sweigard. “I’d like to extend my thanks to everyone who pulled together during this difficult, dry year.”

Beginning Oct. 31, the District prepares its system for the rainy season. During the winter months MID undertakes construction and maintenance projects on its canal system. Lake Yosemite and other MID facilities are used to help divert seasonal storm flows from the foothills to the nearest natural waterways.

Growers can order water using the following options through 5 p.m. Oct. 25:

**Automated Phone Ordering System:**

Call 866-825-2475. Available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

**Call Customer Service:**

Call 209-722-2720 or 1-800-750-2720.

**Access the MID Website:**

[www.mercedid.org](http://www.mercedid.org)

**Fax:**

209-722-1457.

**In person at the Main Office/Customer Service Department:**

744 W. 20th Street, Merced, CA 95344. (Monday through Friday during irrigation season 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.).

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