

2019 Irrigation Season Water Management Implementation Plan

This Water Management Implementation Plan (Plan) provides a framework for managing and accounting for water deliveries to provide MID growers flexibility regarding the use of MID water supplies, while helping to ensure that the following water management objectives are achieved:

1. Maintain equitable service to MID growers
2. Meet MID's reservoir carryover storage goal at the end of the season (as applicable)
3. Control and properly account for all water delivered and conveyed through MID facilities

To achieve these objectives, guidelines have been developed that will govern the following practices:

- Account Setup
- Surface Water Allocation Management (there is no limiting surface water allocation for the 2019 irrigation season)
- Groundwater Wheeling (not allowed for the 2019 irrigation season except in extraordinary circumstances, as determined by staff)
- Conjunctive Supplemental Water Supply Pool Program (not authorized for the 2019 irrigation season)

General Guidelines

1. The Deputy General Manager of Water Resources and/or their designee shall make all necessary determinations regarding compliance with this Plan.
2. Requests to implement any desired transaction may be denied on a case-by-case basis if such transaction is determined to be detrimental to MID achieving its water management objectives of the Plan.
3. Water orders and deliveries shall be made according to the established MID Rules and Regulations Governing Distribution of Water, except where provisions in this Plan may differ.
4. Tail water may not be discharged into MID's water conveyance system.

Account Setup:

1. Water Accounts consist of portions of one or more parcels that are farmed as a unit.
2. Customer Accounts (Customer ID's or Billable Accounts) consist of one or more Water Accounts owned or leased by the same entity.
3. Growers may establish a Master ID, which would consist of two or more Customer Accounts. Prior to establishing a Master ID, an authorized representative from each Customer Account must sign the required Master ID Setup Form.

Private Groundwater Wheeling Management

MID's canal capacities and labor resources are primarily dedicated to delivering MID water supplies to MID growers. Private water wheeling will only be allowed in extraordinary circumstances, as determined by the Deputy General Manager of Water Resources.