

# JAMES IRRIGATION DISTRICT

ORGANIZED FEBRUARY 16, 1920



SAN JOAQUIN, CA

## June, 2023

### IMPORTANT DATES

- ✓ **Payments**  
for May billings due  
Thursday, June 22<sup>nd</sup>  
5:00 pm
- ◆
- ✓ **District Assessments**  
**2<sup>nd</sup> Installment**  
Postmark no later than  
Tuesday, June 20<sup>th</sup>
- ◆
- ✓ **Independence Day**  
**Holiday**  
Tuesday, July 4<sup>th</sup>  
Field staff will be on duty.  
Office will be closed.
- ◆
- ✓ **James Irrigation District**  
**Board of Directors**  
Tuesday, July 11<sup>th</sup>  
10:00 am
- ◆
- ✓ **James GSA**  
**Board of Directors**  
Thursday, July 20<sup>th</sup>  
9:00 a.m.  
[www.jamesgsa.org](http://www.jamesgsa.org)



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### \*\*\* GROWERS - PLEASE NOTE \*\*\*

#### WATER IN LATERALS IS ALLOCATED.

#### AN ORDER MUST BE PLACED TO AVOID OPERATIONAL ERRORS.

- \* *We cannot accept telephone messages left for water orders.*
- \* *Please call your order into the office 2 days ahead of the desired delivery date.*
- \* *In an effort to conserve water and to maintain operating efficiency, we request growers call in same-day cancellations by 8:00 a.m.*
- \* *As demand increases, we will make every effort to deliver water as ordered.*
- \* *Please call your orders in as soon as possible and try to stick to your schedule.*

### JAMES IRRIGATION DISTRICT

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

Organized February 16, 1920

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### WATER SUPPLY & OUTLOOK

#### ◆ USBR-Central Valley Project (CVP)

The Bureau increased south-of-Delta ag allocations to 100%.

#### ◆ San Joaquin River Riparian, Sched. II

The District is scheduled to receive 100% of its entitlement.

◆ San Joaquin River Flood Water - The District was able to divert Friant flood



2023 Pine Flat Dam  
Kings River Flood Releases

flows for recharge.

◆ Kings River Entitlement remains in storage behind Pine Flat Dam.

◆ Kings River Flood Flows continue flowing down the James Bypass & are being diverted for irrigation & recharge purposes.

◆ Wellfield - Annual repair & maintenance has been completed. Considering flood releases & increased allocations, it is anticipated groundwater pumping will be minimal this season. Please call the office for any well-related operating questions.

◆ Other Water Supplies - The District continues to deliver water to the Southwest Groundwater Banking Project. This effort demonstrates the District's commitment to enhancing local groundwater supplies & works to alleviate flooding in urban areas.

#### ◆ Precipitation



May 2023

.69"

Highest May 2019

2.30"

Historical May Average

.32"

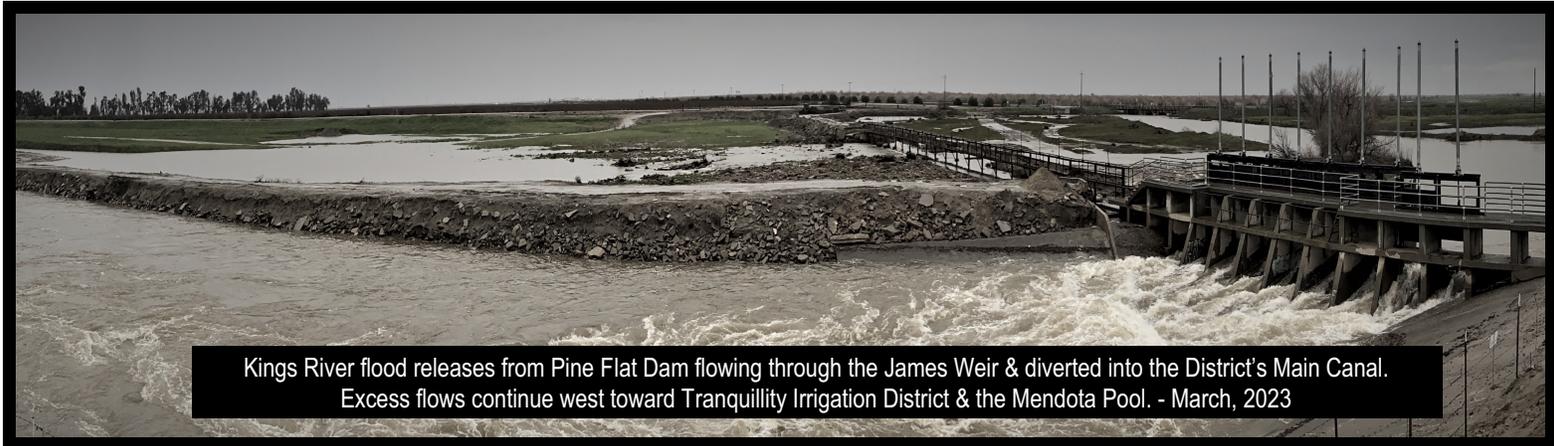
◆ Outlook - The District is closely monitoring hydrology for the 2023 growing season.

### WHAT ELSE IS HAPPENING...

◆ Solar Project #1 is nearing completion! Project #2 is under construction & is expected to go live sometime next year.

◆ Solar Power Purchase Agreement Benefits to Growers  
A total of 63 grower applications were submitted for 50 openings. Participants will be chosen based upon greatest demand. If you submitted an application, watch for an email with next steps.

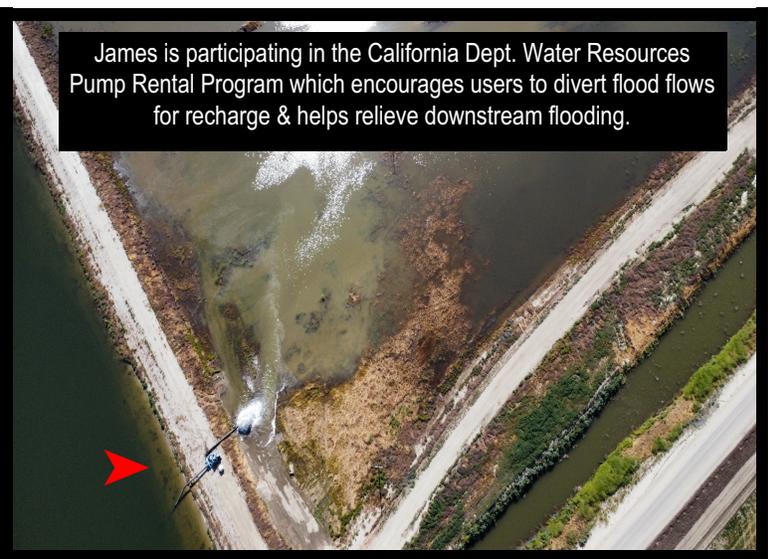
◆ Technology Update Coming - The Board approved purchase of new water accounting software. Look for changes coming next year.



Kings River flood releases from Pine Flat Dam flowing through the James Weir & diverted into the District's Main Canal.  
Excess flows continue west toward Tranquillity Irrigation District & the Mendota Pool. - March, 2023

**WHAT'S HAPPENING IN THE DISTRICT**

- Over 1.1 million acre-feet of outside surface water has been brought into the District over the last 35 years
- Averaging 31,000+ acre-feet per year
- Over 400 acres of dedicated recharge basins



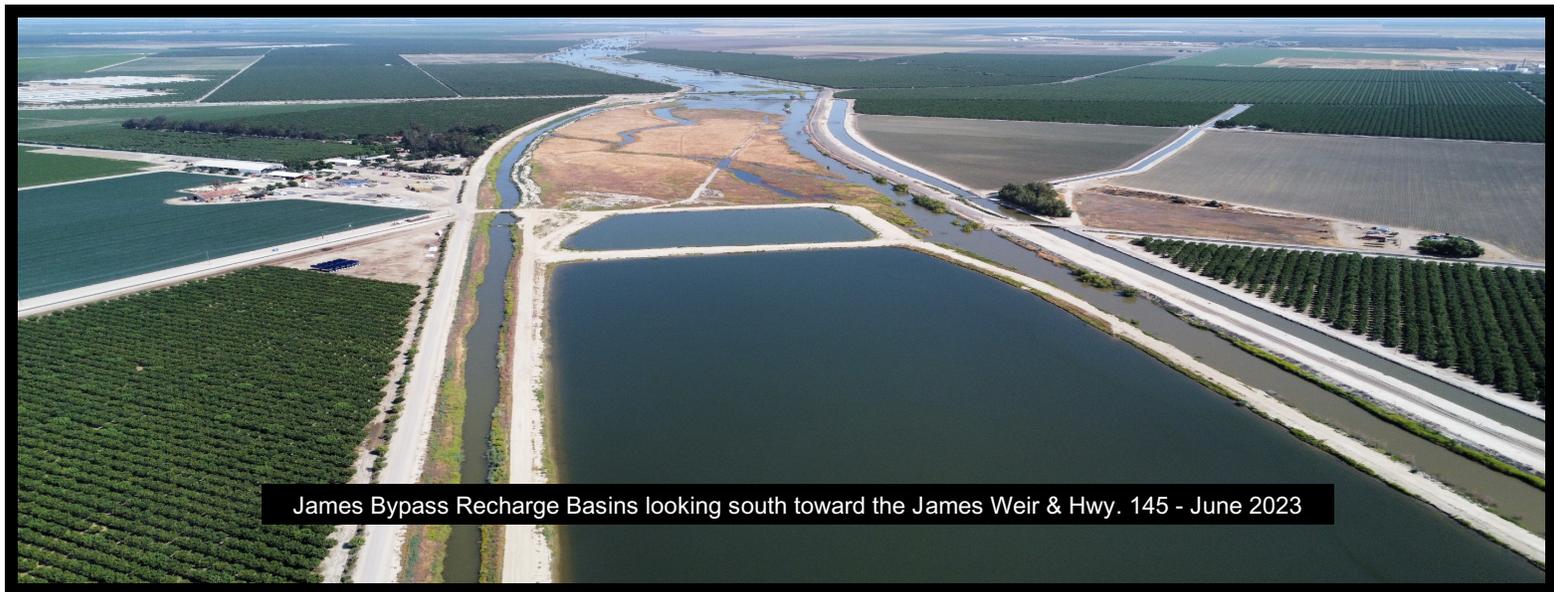
James is participating in the California Dept. Water Resources Pump Rental Program which encourages users to divert flood flows for recharge & helps relieve downstream flooding.



On-Farm Groundwater Recharge Program

**THE DISTRICT HOLDS RIGHTS TO SIX SOURCES OF WATER**

- ✓San Joaquin River Riparian
- ✓San Joaquin River Flood water
- ✓Kings River Entitlement
- ✓Kings River Flood water
- ✓USBR Central Valley Project Contract
- ✓Groundwater



James Bypass Recharge Basins looking south toward the James Weir & Hwy. 145 - June 2023