



# News Release

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## **Fresno Irrigation District's water deliveries to extend through September 30**

During a special meeting on September 11, the Board of Directors unanimously approved to extend the 2018 irrigation season for the entire district through September 30. Several weeks ago, the system was scheduled to go down September 15.

"The District is able to extend the season due to receiving recent higher than anticipated Kings River runoff and entitlements coupled with lower than anticipated demands", stated Assistant General Manager Bill Stretch.

Stretch states that the demand has increased during this past week and will continue to increase as growers are nearing the end of harvest. Stretch **encourages growers to continue to use surface water to irrigate until the end of the irrigation season.** There will be no additional charge or fee for the additional water supplied (for the majority of the growers).

Growers are encouraged to schedule their next irrigation with their water system operator.

District crews will use the off-season shutdown to conduct maintenance, repairs, and construct projects that will enhance the water system's infrastructure for the 2019 season.

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*Since 1920, the Fresno Irrigation District has proudly delivered water to agricultural and urban communities within Fresno County. Today, the District encompasses over 245,000 acres of prime farmland and municipal areas, including the cities of Fresno and Clovis. As the premier irrigation district in the Central Valley, the District is extensively involved in a host of local, state and federal water issues.*