AB 1404 Aggregated Farm Gate Delivery Reporting

Frequently Asked Questions

1. Who has to submit a report?

All agricultural water suppliers

- supplying 2,000 acre-feet or more of surface water annually for agricultural purposes

or

- serving 2,000 or more acres of agricultural land

Unless -

- They are small or mid-sized suppliers (serving less 25,000 irrigate acres) and they provide DWR with information that documents that the implementation of a program or practices to measure farm-gate deliveries using Best Professional Practices is not locally cost effective.

Large agricultural water suppliers (more than 25,000 irrigated acres) or mid-sized suppliers (10,000 to 25,000 irrigated acres) that have received state funding to implement water measurement, are required to implement the Water Measurement Regulation under SB X7-7, so they are legally required to measure the amount of water delivered to their agricultural customers.

2. When are they due?

Each year by July 31st

3. Where do I send them?

Mail to:
Department of Water Resources
Water Use and Efficiency Branch
Agricultural Water Use Efficiency Unit
P.O. Box 942836
Sacramento, CA 94236
Attention: Fethi BenJemaa

or

Email to:
AgWUE@water.ca.gov

4. AB 1404 definitions:

"Agricultural Water Supplier" means a supplier either publicly of privately owned, supplying 2,000 acre-feet or more of surface water annually for agricultural purposes or serving 2,000 or more acres of agricultural land. An agricultural water supplier includes a supplier or contractor
for water, regardless of the basis of right, which distributes or sells water for ultimate resale to customers” (Water Code Section 531.b).

"Aggregated farm-gate delivery data" means information reflecting the total volume of water an agricultural water supplier provides to its customers and is calculated by totaling its deliveries to individual customers (Water Code Section 531.a).

"Farm-gate" means the point at which water is delivered from the agricultural water supplier’s distribution system to each of its customers (Water Code Section 531.f).

"Best professional practices" means practices attaining and maintaining accuracy of measurement and reporting devices and methods (Water Code Section 531.d).