LCRA Interruptible Water Rates for Calendar Year 2025

Water Operations Committee Meeting

Jan. 21, 2025



### Summary of Recommended Rates – Calendar Year 2025

Agricultural division	CY 2025 rate	CY 2024 rate	Percent change
Gulf Coast	\$77.79	\$76.04	2.3%
Lakeside	\$77.79	\$76.04	2.3%
Garwood (weighted average) First lift (81% of total volume) Second lift (19% of total volume)	<b>\$44.98</b> \$43.47 \$51.53	<b>\$43.79</b> \$42.32 \$50.17	2.7%

#### **Summary of Recommended Rates –** CY 2025 (Continued)

Agricultural division	Rice/turf and supplemental rate (Dollars per a-f)	Excess use surcharge* (Dollars per a-f)			
		Tier 1	Tier 2	Tier 3	
Gulf Coast	\$77.79	\$31.12	\$62.23	\$116.69	
Lakeside	\$77.79	\$31.12	\$62.23	\$116.69	
Garwood – One lift Garwood – Two lifts	\$43.47 \$51.53	\$17.39	\$34.78	\$65.21	
*Surcharge rates are set at 40% 80% and 150% of the underlying rate					

- Gulf Coast and Lakeside agricultural divisions: Minimum charge of \$35.01 per acrefoot of interruptible stored water allocated under contract (45% of the interruptible water rate)
- Garwood Agricultural Division: Minimum charge of \$25.00 per acre of rice under contract
- Minimum charges at all divisions are applicable to first season and second season contracts

## **CY 2025 Interruptible Rates Key Issues**

- Rate Stabilization Fund original balance \$19.7 million
  - Current balance is \$14.6 million
  - If curtailment continues into CY 2025:
    - For the remainder of CY 2024 and all of CY 2025, projected to use \$9.8 million (includes lost supplemental revenue), leaving a balance of \$4.8 million by end of CY 2025

# CY 2025 Interruptible Rates Key Issues (Continued)

- Agriculture Reserve Fund original balance \$13 million
  - Current balance of \$6.7 million
    - Projected to use \$2.5 million in CY 2025
    - Projected to be depleted by end of CY 2028
- Agricultural rules and Drought Contingency Plan
  - We have no proposed rule or Drought Contingency Plan changes for CY 2025

#### **Summary of Comments**

- Comment at customer meetings
  - Eliminate application fee for rice or turf contracts

- Comment from online submission
  - Opposes the adoption of the proposed rates

