



# *Redwood Valley County Water District*

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Mr. Randall Livingston  
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**Subject: Emergency releases through the Potter Valley Project**

Dear Mr. Livingston,

The Redwood Valley County Water District (Redwood) has declared a drought emergency due to restrictions to its water supply. Redwood normally depends on surplus water agreements with the Mendocino County Russian River Flood Control and Water Conservation Improvement District (RRFC) or the Sonoma County Water Agency (SCWA). SCWA cannot provide any water due to the level in Lake Mendocino being less than 50,000 AF April 1. RRFC has restricted its contracted accounts and also cannot deliver surplus water to Redwood. The California Department of Public Health arranged an agreement with RRFC that they would deliver a minimum amount of water to Redwood customers to provide for health and safety issues. However this amount reflects a 75% reduction in water supply.

Redwood is formally requesting that PG&E allow additional flow through the Potter Valley Project under Section E.5 of the RPA as a rare and brief water emergency to benefit Redwood's customers. The request is for up to 800 AF when flows below Van Arsdale are above minimum flows including a buffer sufficient to ensure those minimum flows. This amount of additional water would allow Redwood to supply its customers with 80% of normal usage, consistent with a state wide commitment to voluntarily reduce by 20%.

Please do not hesitate to contact this office for further information.

Respectfully,

Granville Pool, President, Board of Directors

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