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SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA
COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO

Coordination Proceeding

JUDICIAL COUNCIL
COORDINATION PROCEEDING
NO. 4118

SWRCB CASES

**RULING ON PETITION FOR
COORDINATION OF ADD-ON
CASES**

I have reviewed and considered the submissions in regard to the Petition for Coordination of Add-On Cases, including the opposition from Santa Clara Valley Water District. The matter having been argued and submitted, the Court finds coordination is appropriate, grants the Petition, and orders the following cases: Central Delta Water Agency, et al. v. SWRCB, et al., Superior Court of California, County of San Francisco Case No. 311502; County of San Joaquin, et al. v. SWRCB, et al., Superior Court of California, County of San Francisco Case No. 311499; Golden Gate Audubon Society, et al, v. SWRCB, et al, Superior Court of California, County of Alameda Case No. 825585-9; Pacific Coast Fed. Of Fishermen's Associations, et al. v. SWRCB, et al. Superior Court of California, County of San Francisco Case No. 311507; Santa Clara Valley Water District v. SWRCB, Superior Court of California, County of San Francisco Case No. 311549; State Water Contractors, et al. v. SWRCB, Superior Court of California, County of Sacramento Case No. 00CS00602; and Westlands Water District v.

1 SWRCB, et al., Superior Court of California, County of Sacramento Case No.
2 00CS00603, to be added in as coordinated cases in State Water Resources
3 Control Board Cases, Judicial Council Coordination Proceeding No. JC 4118.

4 The Court finds that all seven cases being added on have common
5 questions of fact and law predominating and significant in that all challenge
6 SWRCB Decision 1641. All are relatively new cases with no indication of
7 significant development of the actions to date. Indeed, it appears no responsive
8 pleadings have yet been filed. The efficient utilization of judicial facilities and
9 manpower, along with the desire to avoid potentially duplicative or inconsistent
10 rulings also are found by the Court to weigh heavily in favor of granting the
11 Petition.

12 The Petition for Coordination of Add-On Cases is granted.

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**Honorable ROLAND CANDEE,
Judge of the Superior Court of California,
County of Sacramento
Coordination Trial Judge**