

North San Joaquin Water Conservation District

Weekly Update
Wednesday December 25, 2024



Christmas Sunrise on the Mokelumne Watershed

CalFed troubles: Jose Juerta attempted to turn on Cal Fed last night and the meter exploded. Fortunately, he was not injured. With a team effort from Shasta, Daniel and Steve, we got PG&E out to turn off the power last night but will have to replace the panel before we can operate it again.



Lakso: Lakso is operating at about 7-acre feet per day on its current ten acres. We continue to only be able to serve it from the south east corner. Richard Rodriguez came up with a plan to add a gate to allow us to gain capacity in the northern most cell and will install it once the ground dries enough to access the cell with a backhoe.



Subset over Lakso Recharge Project

South System Phase 3: the project is currently hung up on an unmarked utility crossing. Teichert discovered an orange colored 3-inch steel pipe at the boundary between the Jenner and Heckenliable properties. Some neighbors report it may have been an abandoned Tenneco pipeline that served Color Spot Nursery. However, USA did not have record of it and it was not marked. PG&E responded to the scene Monday afternoon and confirmed it was not their pipeline. PG&E is seeking approval to tap the line. PG&E also indicated Teichert has the capacity to tap utility lines as well so we requested our Teichert project manager to look into whether they can tap it. We also called county community development (no record of it) and county public works to determine if there is an encroachment permit for a road crossing but are awaiting word. Finally, we ordered an expedited title report on the Jenner property. Hopefully we will have the option to remove it shortly after Christmas.



Merry Christmas all!