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Dear Landowner/Water User,

Enclosed is the 2024-25 Patterson Irrigation District (PID or District) Assessment Statement. From the fortuitous rain that occurred last year, full reservoirs and steady weather this year, we are looking at a nice operating year. On February 1, 2024, the PID Board of Directors adopted the budget and rates set for the upcoming water year. Below is a summary of those rates.

The land-based assessments are as follows:

- Landholdings one acre and under
- Landholdings over > 1 acre and < 2 acres
- Landholdings 2 acres or greater

\$12 per parcel \$15 per parcel \$60 per acre

- For the 2024-25 irrigation season, there will be an allocation of water with the assessments for landholdings 2 acres or greater of 0.5 feet. The allocation reduction is due to the uncertainty of supplies available to PID from the San Joaquin River and trying to firm up PID's position in being better able to respond for water available from the Delta-Mendota Canal.
- Water deliveries will continue to be unrestricted as long as supplies are available to the District. <u>The water rate for 2024-25 is \$45 per acre-foot.</u> The Board will continue to review water supply conditions into the late spring to evaluate possible opportunities to reduce the water rate.
- For Priority Area 1 there will be \$60 per acre contract fee, with a water rate of <u>\$120 per acre-foot</u>.
  Water deliveries will be unrestricted as long as supplies to the in-district lands are not restricted. In the event that in district deliveries are restricted for any reason, out-of-district deliveries will cease.

Please note, PID typically provides PID growers a \$2.5 million per year subsidy, this year's rates and allocation provides for a subsidy of approximately \$2.9 million to maintain a low water rate to our growers. Without the subsidy, PID's water rate would be \$158 per acre-foot.

Kindest Regards,

Vince Lucchesi, PE General Manager Patterson Irrigation District