

## Why You Should Become a Member of Our Local Coalition...

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All commercial irrigated agricultural operations are considered “dischargers” under the ILRP. If you do not wish to deal with the Regional Board directly, you may join a coalition to comply.

El Dorado County Agricultural Water Quality Management Corporation (EDAWQMC) provides a cost-effective means of obtaining coverage. Costs of compliance are shared among all members, and with the adoption of the Pilot Program, fees have substantially decreased. EDAWQMC also provides members anonymity since all reports to the Regional Board are at a summary level and individual parcels are not identified.

***Join now!***



## About Us

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This organization was formed as a 501(c) 5 nonprofit mutual benefit corporation in 2008 in order for El Dorado County farmers and ranchers who irrigate to comply with the state mandated Irrigated Lands Regulatory Program.

We are governed by a 9-member, volunteer Board of Directors, 8 of whom represent major commodity groups, organic growers, and one at-large member. Since our corporation was formed in 2008, numerous volunteer members have donated hundreds of hours attending meetings, lobbying for our special needs, writing reports, educating members and analyzing scientific data.

Our membership includes over 251 growers who farm approximately 3,200 acres of irrigated agriculture on parcels totaling over 10,600 acres of land in El Dorado County.

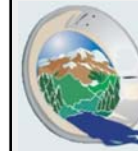
Membership dues are collected annually to cover the expenses of water monitoring and administration of the program.

### For More Information Contact:

El Dorado County Ag Water Quality  
Management Corporation  
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530-622-7850

Visit our website:  
[eldoradoagwater.org](http://eldoradoagwater.org)

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PROTECTING OUR PRECIOUS RESOURCE

# ***Irrigated Lands Regulatory Program***

***Are your irrigated  
lands in  
compliance?***



Photo Courtesy of El Dorado County Visitors Authority

## What is the Irrigated Lands Regulatory Program (ILRP)?

The California Water Code regulates any persons, individuals, corporations, farm owners or tenant farmers who release waste that could affect the quality of the waters of the State. These waters of the State include all ground and surface water within the State.

As an owner of irrigated commercial ag lands you are considered a discharger under the ILRP and are required to protect the quality of the water from discharges of waste from your property. Waste is broadly defined as soil, silt, sand, clay, rock, metals, salts, nitrogen, pesticides, and fertilizers by way of irrigated and storm waters.

The ILRP requires all irrigated commercial ag operations to obtain coverage through one of three ways:

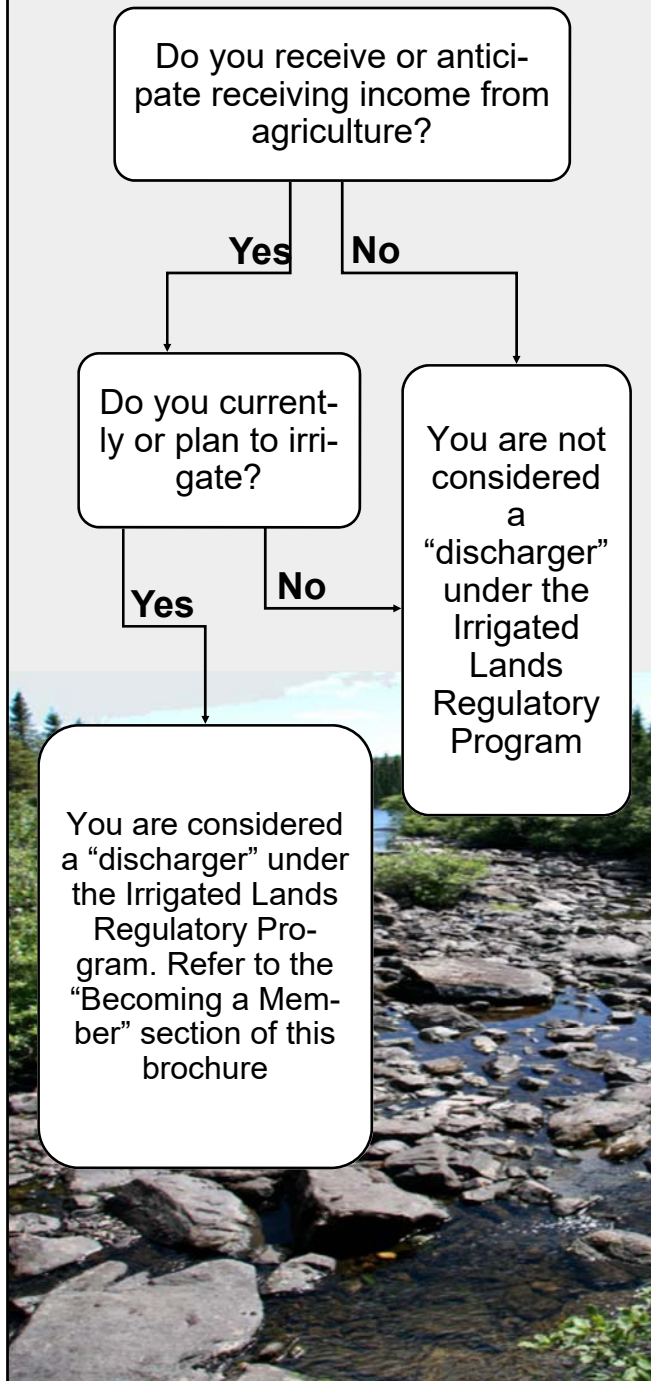
1. Join a coalition group
2. Apply for an Individual Discharge Waiver
3. Obtain an Individual Waste Discharge Permit

Individual options #2 and #3 cost substantially more than the coalition option.

For more information on the ILRP visit:

[https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/water\\_issues/irrigated\\_lands](https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/water_issues/irrigated_lands)

## Does the Irrigated Lands Regulatory Program Apply to You?



## Becoming a Member of El Dorado County Ag Water Quality Management Corp.

1. Call the EDAWQMC office at (530) 622-7850 to request an application be mailed to you OR visit the website at [eldoradoagwater.org](http://eldoradoagwater.org) to download an application.
2. Fill out the application and return it to EDAWQMC at P.O. Box 286, Placerville, CA 95667
3. The completed application will be reviewed by the EDAWQMC board of directors. Upon your approval, a Farm Evaluation survey, a Notice of Compliance (NOC) and an invoice will be sent to you.
4. Upon receipt of your full dues payment, your completed Farm Evaluation and NOC, you will be considered a member in good standing and in compliance with the ILRP.