

B. POTENTIAL ASSET: REGULATORY FLEXIBILITY

Manipulation of the Export/Inflow restriction is the only readily available tool.

The averaging period (14 days) this restriction is as important in determining its impact as the target number (35% Feb-June, 65% July-Jan)

GAMING RESULTS SUGGEST THE FOLLOWING:

1. The E/I restriction has an impact on federal contract commitments to percent deliveries almost every year.

2. The E/I restriction affects exports only in the Feb-June period in drier years.

3. Changing the averaging period from 14 days to 3 days made substantial quantities of water available to the EWA. This approach was more effective than changing the E/I ratio.

SHARING OF THE ASSET COULD INCLUDE:

1. Establishing high priority, short-term storage site for water generated from this asset.
2. Establishing process for transferring water generated from this asset to export interests if not needed within the period during which storage is available.
(i.e., simple purchase, swap of EWA water in San Luis for upstream water)

CONSTRAINTS & CONCERNS:

SWRCB approval process

Closely linked to governance of EWA