

# Merced River Crossing

- Turlock and Merced Irrigation Districts own a double circuit transmission line that was built in 1996.
- The original crossing was for 6 transmission line conductors.
- Approval for the original crossing was granted by the Army Corps of Engineers and the State Lands Commission.

# Merced River Crossing Updates

- The Districts wanted to add a fiber optic line to the crossing in 2020 to improve transmission line reliability.
- The addition of the fiber optic line required approval of the Army Corps of Engineers and the State Lands Commission.
- The original State Lands Commission Lease expires February 28, 2021.



# Merced River Crossing New Permits

- The Army Corps of Engineers has granted a new permit that includes the fiber optic addition.
- The State Lands Commission has issued a revised lease that includes the fiber optic addition and extends the term for 25 years.
- The State Lands Commission Lease needs to be signed by Turlock Irrigation District and Merced Irrigation District.



# GIS View of Merced River Crossing



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# Photograph of Merced River Crossing

