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Collection Scope and Contents
Collection of miscellaneous materials pertaining to the history and development of the Kings River, California, and the construction of the Kings River Project. Includes typescripts, printed pamphlets, maps, diagrams, and news clippings. Documents chiefly created by the Kings River Water Association and Pacific Gas and Electric Company.

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Indexing Terms
The following terms have been used to index the description of this collection in the library's online public access catalog.

Subjects
Kings River Project (Calif.)
Pacific Gas and Electric Company
Kings River Water Association
Hydroelectric power plants -- California -- Kings River
Kings River (Calif.) -- Power utilization
Kings River (Calif.) -- Water rights
Pine Flat Dam (Calif.)
Pine Flat Lake (Calif.)
Water resources development -- California -- Kings River

Box 1, folder 1

News clippings 1916-1917

Scope and Contents
News clippings from the Fresno Morning Republican, December 17, 1916 and February 1917, discussing the investigation of the feasibility of constructing a large dam at Pine Flat on the Kings River.

Box 1, folder 2

Kings River Project 1946?

Scope and Contents
Box 1, folder 3  **Kaupke, Charles L. The Kings River problem, 1949 November 14.**
Scope and Contents
Paper by the Engineer and Water Master of Kings River Water Association. Discusses the history of Kings River water rights appropriations, the laws and legislation that govern the use of the river, and the history of the Association.

Box 1, folder 4  **Chronology of Kings River water contract negotiations 1950?**
Scope and Contents
Review of correspondence and conferences between the U.S. Bureau of Reclamation and Kings River interests pertaining to the negotiation of a repayment contract for the irrigation benefits of Pine Flat Reservoir, October 10, 1940 to March 20, 1950.

Box 1, folder 5  **Background information - Kings River Project 1952**
Scope and Contents
Summary information about the authorization of the project, allocation of costs, contract negotiations, power development, and reservoir operations.

Box 1, folder 6  **Kings River projects, FPC projects nos. 175 and 1988, Pacific Gas and Electric Company, licensee, 1955?.**
Scope and Contents
Summary information about the Balch Project (no. 175) and, as revised, the North Fork of Kings River Project (no. 1988).

Box 1, folder 7  **Pacific Gas and Electric Company. Kings River Hydroelectric Project: statistics and construction data, 1959?.**
Scope and Contents
Includes technical information on Balch Powerhouse, Haas Powerhouse, and Kings River Powerhouse.

Box 1, folder 8  **Pacific Gas and Electric Company. The Kings River: a story of cooperation, 1962?.**
Scope and Contents
Includes a history of the river and its uses, along with a discussion of PG & E's Kings River power development.

Box 1, folder 9  **Pacific Gas and Electric Company. Kings: 261,500 new kilowatts for California, 1962.**
Scope and Contents
Pamphlet produced by PG & E describing power development along the North Fork of the Kings River.

Box 1, folder 10  **Pacific Gas and Electric Company. Kings River power development: a story of cooperation, 1962?.**
Scope and Contents
Discussion of the history of cooperation between PG & E, farmers, irrigation districts, and governmental agencies in the development of Kings River power resources.

Box 1, folder 11  **Maps and diagrams of Kings River development 1949-1970**
Scope and Contents
Shows hydroelectric and recreational development. Produced by Pacific Gas and Electric Company.