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Brief Description: Allowing beneficial uses of water within the general category of agricultural use without additional governmental approval.

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Declares that the right to use water for any beneficial use within the general category of an agricultural use includes the right to use the water, without applying to the department or any other governmental entity for approval, for any other beneficial use within the general category of an agricultural use. The general category of an agricultural use of water includes, but is not limited to, the beneficial use of water for stock watering, agricultural irrigation, agricultural frost control, processing agricultural commodities into agricultural products, and other agricultural uses.