

Table S1. RT-qPCR, PagPIP2;10 CDS and selected primers used in this study.

Gene name/ ID	Forward primer	Reverse primer
qRT-PCR		
PagPIP2;10/Potri.012g085700	CCACCGATCCTAAGCGGAAC	ATGCCAGTTCAGTGATGGG
PagPIP2;10 /CDS	ATGAGTAGTGAAGAGAGAAACAT	AGTCTGCCACAACCGAGA
Selected preimer		
35S/NOS	GAAGTTCATTTCAATTTGGAGAGA	ATTGCCAAATGTTTGAACGATC

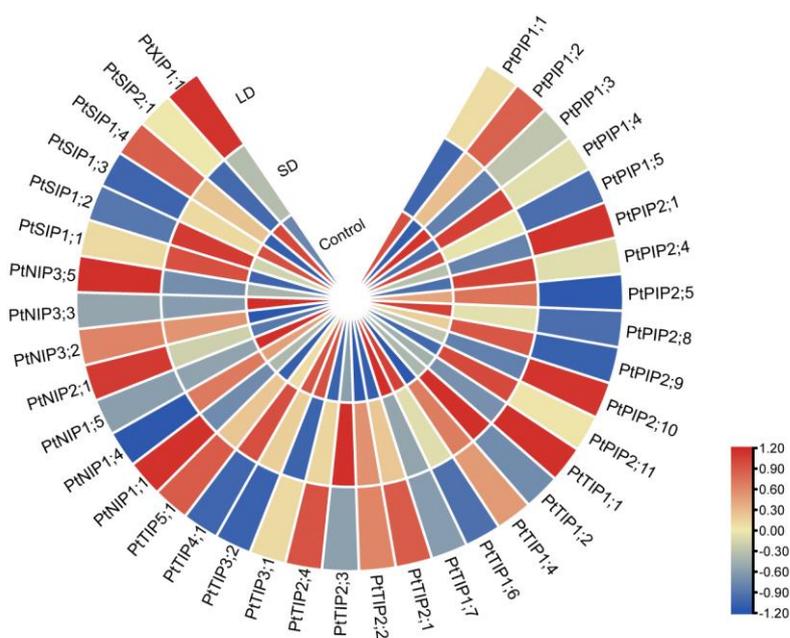


Figure S1. Expression analysis of AQPs family genes in poplar under drought stress.

LD, long drought; SD, short drought.

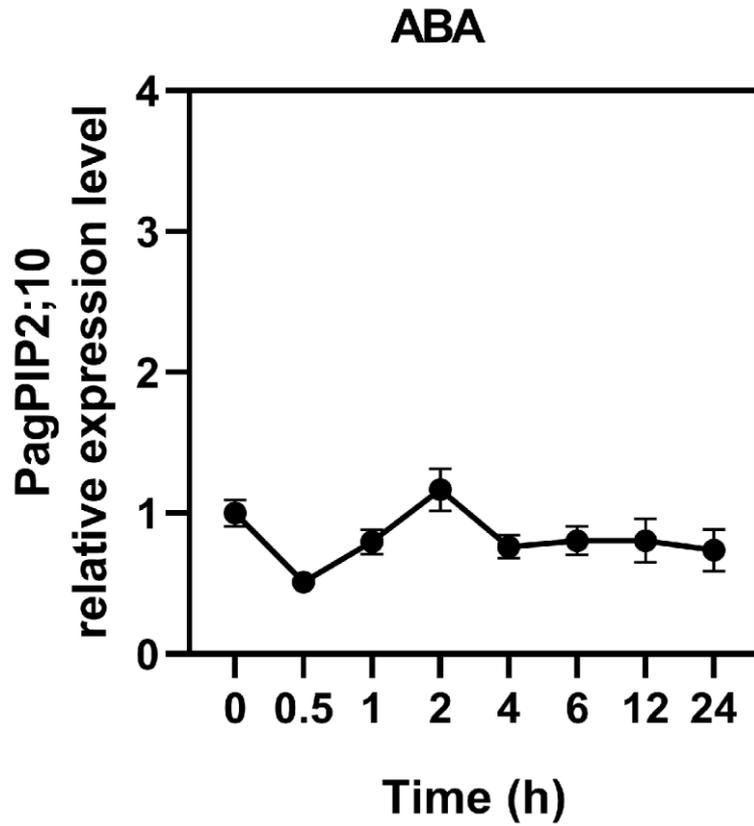


Figure S2. Expression level of *PagPIP2;10* after treatment of ABA.

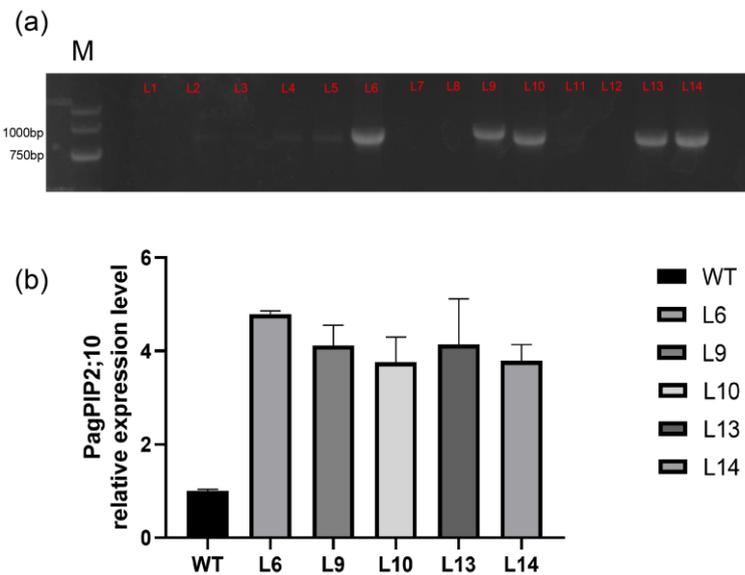


Figure S3. Selection of overexpression lines. (a) PCR analysis of plants; (b) Relative expression level of *PagPIP2;10* in selected lines by RT-qPCR.

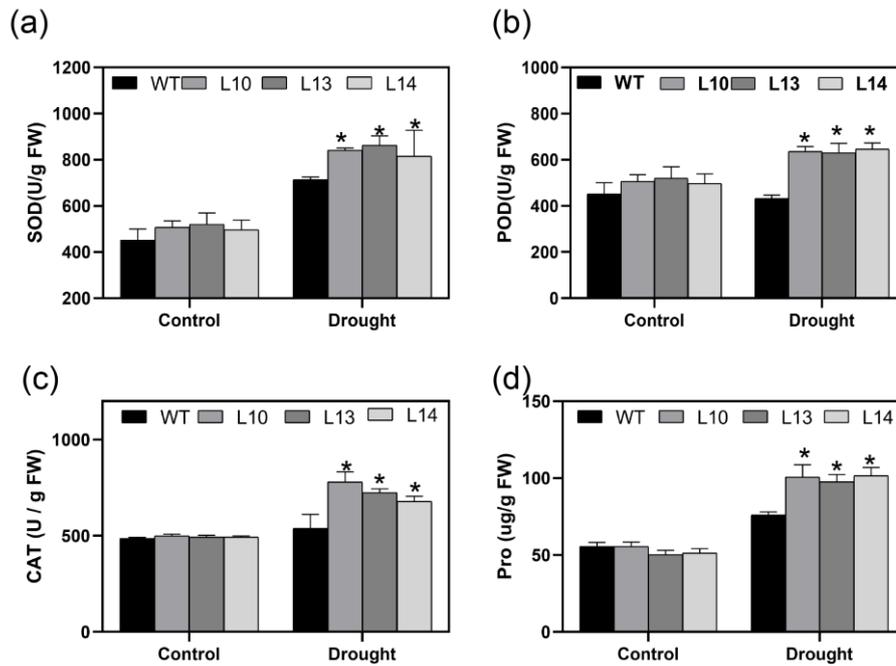


Figure S4. Activity of antioxidant enzymes in WT and overexpression lines after nine days of water deficit; (a) SOD activity; (b) POD activity; (c) CAT activity; (d) Proline content. Each treatment was performed with three biological replicates ($n=3$) and values are means \pm SE. Data were analyzed through Student's t- test in the ANOVA program of SPSS (IBM SPSS17.0). * indicates a significant difference compared with the control (* $P < 0.05$).

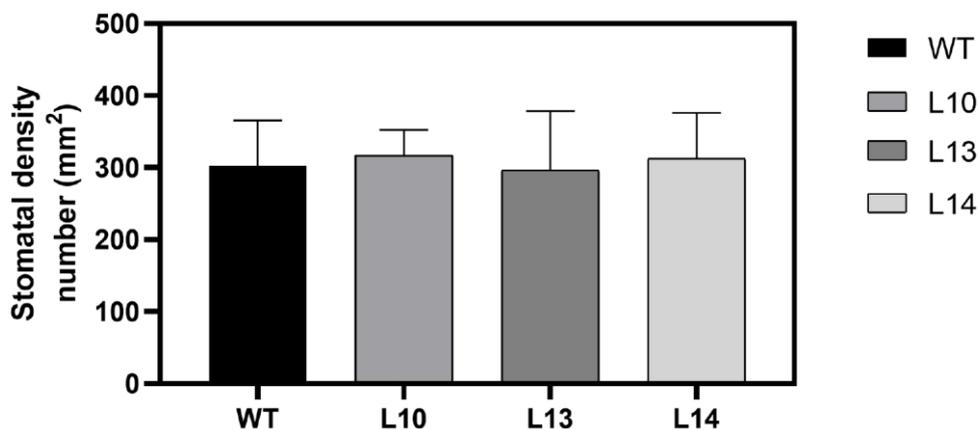


Figure S5. Stomatal density of WT and *PagPIP2;10ox* lines. Error bars are means \pm SE ($n = 30$). Data were analyzed through the Student's t- test in the ANOVA program of SPSS (IBM SPSS17.0).

