From: Patricia Rivera
To: Myers, Laura
Date: 10/22/2007 3:03:44 PM
Subject: Re: EA-06-119 IID/KDWCD Partial Assignment

Laura, I have reviewed the proposed action to approve the partial assignment of 1,200 af/y of Class I water and 7,400 af/y of Class II water from IID's Friant Division CVP water service contract to the KDWCD. In exchange for the partial assignment, IID would receive KDWCD's water supply from the Longs Canal Company, 2,500 acre-feet of storage capacity in the Kaweah Reservoir and a cash payment. The Proposed Action is needed because the variable nature of IID's Class II supply does not provide the supplemental supply dependability that is needed for the district. Therefore, IID has historically purchased surface water when it becomes available from the Wutchumna Water Company (Wutchumna) to incrementally improve this position. The deficiency with this supply is that Wutchumna failed to participate in the initial effort to store waters behind Terminus Dam, which results in Wutchumna having abundant spring time flows available and diminished supplies available at other times of the year. This results in a lack of sufficient surface water available to IID during times of peak summer demand. Thus, IID suffers more from a problem with the timing of available supplies, than with the quantity of those supplies. Quantity problems have occurred, however, during the dry years when the availability of CVP supplies was significantly reduced. I concur the proposed action does not affect Indian Trust Assets. The nearest ITA to the proposed site is approximately 4 miles West and it is the Santa Rosa Rancheria.
Patricia

>>> Laura Myers 10/18/2007 1:17:52 PM >>>
Good Afternoon all,

Attached is an admin draft EA. Please Review Section 1&2 for the project description, then reveiw as well Section 3.6 and let me know if you have any changes you wish to make to the conclusions drawn and/or if you have anything you want to add. Let me know if you need anything else for your review - locations and maps are in the first two sections of the document. The ITA request form is attached and the cost authority for this project is A1R 1752 9652 220 02 4 5.

Thanks,
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From: Adam Nickels
To: Myers, Laura
Date: 10/25/2007 10:19:18 AM
Subject: EA 06-119 IID/KDWCD Partial assignment

Project No. 08-SCAO-025

I have reviewed the EA 06-119 for IID/KDWCD and concur with the findings that the proposed action and the no action alternative constitute no potential to affect historic properties pursuant to 36 CFR Part 800.3(a)(1). I have no additional comments or suggestions to add to the Cultural Resource Section of the above stated EA.

The proposed alternative is administrative in Nature and the no action alternative will result in no changes to the existing system

Location: Tulare and Kings county, California.

This concludes the Section 106 process for the proposed undertaking to approve the partial assignment of waters between IID/KDWCD. Please retain a copy of this concurrence with the EA file. Thank you for providing the opportunity to comment.

Sincerely,

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