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Dear Project Manager:

I am writing you to let you know the personal impact of both Lake Mead and Lake Powell on me and my family.

I have been a recreational boater since I was 17 years old (35 years!). Ninety-five percent of my boating has been on Lake Mead and Lake Powell. The other 5% on Flaming Gorge. I am also the proud parent of 3 children; all of whom have enjoyed Lake Mead and Lake Powell.

As I have done so in the past, I find myself reminiscing over family photos and shared adventures of the past. I can safely say, about 7 out of 10 photos are on Lake Mead/Lake Powell. These memories have included fishing, waterskiing, wakeboarding, knee boarding, camping, swimming, etc. - all of the enjoyment these two lakes provide.

What I believe is more important is that these lakes have shown my children the beauty of nature and how to care for it. Without these lakes, my children would not have had the opportunity to learn how to enjoy the wonderful outdoors, but more importantly, how to be good stewards of our land (cleaning up our campsites, picking up others trash, appreciating wildlife and wildlife's spring babies, having a place to reflect and unwind from daily pressures of life, etc.)

Please do not take this opportunity away from those who have not been as fortunate as us. Please do not take away the great outdoors of these two phenomenal lakes. Please do not take away two of the most precious classrooms our great county offers.

Thank you for reading my email - I would also like to address the financial impact on our community but I suspect you already understand that. Honestly, I can say that if Lake Mead were not here, neither would my family and I.

Sincerely,

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