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Honorable Michael Simpson
Ranking Member
Subcommittee on Energy and Water Development
Committee on Appropriations
House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Ranking Member Simpson:

The Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act, also referred to as the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (Infrastructure Law) (P.L. 117-58) was enacted on November 15, 2021, and provides the Bureau of Reclamation (Reclamation) with new and enhanced authority, as well as appropriations for Fiscal Years 2022-2026. The Infrastructure Law includes funding totaling \$8.3 billion under Title IX (Western Water Infrastructure) for Reclamation, which will be allocated in increments of \$1.66 billion annually over the five-year period for 12 specifically listed programmatic areas. The Infrastructure Law also reserves “up to three percent of the amounts made available...” for program administration and policy expenses for the new and increased authorities provided.

I am very pleased to provide the attached Spend Plan for FY 2022 as directed by the Infrastructure Law. The categories in the Infrastructure Law include funding for well-established programs and recently authorized new programs. To ensure efficient distribution of the Infrastructure Law funding, Reclamation will be using existing processes whenever possible and appropriate. Several programs, including the Aging Infrastructure Account authorized in P.L. 116-260, involve competitive application processes with either well established track records of utilization by a variety of funding recipients, or new application processes that Reclamation will work quickly to develop. Consistent with proven procedures, funding opportunities for these programs will be publicized through several different means, including posting notice of the opportunities on Reclamation’s specific website designed to highlight the availability of funding for the Infrastructure Law, [usbr.gov/bil](https://www.usbr.gov/bil).

Additional project-specific information will be provided to the Committees as soon as possible, and updated on a regular basis in Reclamation’s monthly report to the Committees.

If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact Robert Wolf, Director, Program & Budget at (202) 513-0642 or rwolf@usbr.gov. For the hearing impaired, please call the Federal Relay System at (800) 877- 8339 (TTY).

Sincerely,

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