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MEMORANDUM

To: All Interested Persons, Organizations and Agencies

From: Leslie A. Meyers
Area Manager

Subject: Notice of Availability of a Draft Environmental Assessment (EA) for the Proposed Bubbling Ponds Fish Hatchery Pipeline Renovation, Yavapai County, Arizona (Action by 30 days from the date of this memorandum)

The Bureau of Reclamation has prepared a draft EA to analyze the potential environmental effects of the proposed pipeline renovation that supplies water to the Bubbling Ponds Fish Hatchery along Oak Creek in Cornville, Arizona. The proposed project includes six areas of digging, to sleeve the existing 30-inch corrugated pipe with a 24-inch high-density polyethylene pipe, and to replace sections where necessary. In addition, Arizona Game and Fish plans to install concrete joint boxes, modify an existing debris rack, replace a pipe valve and install two flow meters, and install a diversion pipe to Oak Creek. Included in this project is bank stabilization to a hill slope that is eroding above and below the pipe on their property. The project is located on Arizona Game and Fish property, and private property.

The draft EA is available for public review and comment on the Phoenix Area Office web site at <http://www.usbr.gov/lc/phoenix/>. A paper copy or CD of the draft EA can be obtained by calling Reclamation at 623-773-6251, or by emailing crock@usbr.gov.

Comments are due within 30 days of the date stamp on this memorandum. All comments should be submitted to The Bureau of Reclamation, 6150 West Thunderbird Road, Glendale, Arizona 85306, or faxed to 623-773-6486, or via email at caevans@usbr.gov. If you have questions, or would like to discuss the project, please contact Ms. Carol Evans, Biologist, at 623-773-6257. By law, the names and addresses of those providing comments are available for public review. However, individuals may request that their name and/or address be withheld from the record. These requests will be honored to the extent allowable by law. If you wish your name and/or address withheld, you must state this prominently at the beginning of your comment letter. All comments from organizations or businesses will be available for public inspection in their entirety.

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