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MEMORANDUM

To: All Interested Parties, Organizations, and Agencies

From: Carol Lynn Erwin
Area Manager

Subject: Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) on the Environmental Assessment (EA) - Proposed Community Water Company of Green Valley (CWC) Central Arizona Project (CAP) Water Distribution System and Recharge Facility, Green Valley, Pima County, Arizona

The Bureau of Reclamation is issuing a FONSI regarding its approval of CWC's proposed CAP Water Distribution System and Recharge Facility in Pima County, Arizona.

Reclamation issued a draft EA (DEA) on the proposed project on March 6, 2009, for a public review and comment period that ended on April 24, 2009. Reclamation received 16 comment letters on the DEA. Reclamation held a public hearing in Green Valley, Arizona, on the evening of March 26, 2009; four individuals provided oral comments.

Subsequent to the close of the DEA comment period, CWC decided to change its proposed recharge facility location and include a potential alternate tie-in to the CAP terminus. On April 19, 2010, Reclamation issued a revised DEA (RDEA) for a public review and comment period that ended on May 21, 2010. Reclamation received 10 comment letters on the RDEA. The great majority of the comments expressed the same concerns as those received on the DEA.

After carefully considering all the public input received, Reclamation has prepared responses and made changes to the EA consistent with the responses to all the comments, both oral and written, received on the DEA and RDEA. Appendix F of the final EA includes all comments received on both the DEA and RDEA, and Reclamation's responses.

After carefully considering all the comments received from the public, on both the DEA and RDEA, Reclamation has determined that CWC's plans for taking and using its CAP entitlement, of 2,858 acre-feet per year, will not result in significant environmental impacts to the Green Valley/Sahuarita area, Upper Santa Cruz Subbasin of the Tucson Basin Aquifer, or the human environment in the vicinity of the project area. Preparation of an Environmental Impact

Statement is not required. The basis upon which Reclamation has made this decision is summarized in the attached FONSI. The final EA is available on Reclamation's Phoenix Area Office Website, <http://www.usbr.gov/lc/phoenix>. If you would like a paper or electronic version, please call 623-773-6239, or email your request to mcolon@usbr.gov.

Thank you for your interest in this project. We appreciate the public's participation and respect for the process. Should you have any questions concerning this matter, please contact Ms. Sandra Eto at 623-773-6254.

Attachment