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## MEMORANDUM

To: All Interested Persons, Organizations and Agencies

From: Leslie A. Meyers  
Area Manager  
*Acting For*

Subject: Notice of Availability of a Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) and Final Environmental Assessment (EA) for delivery of Central Arizona Project (CAP) water leased from the Gila River Indian Community (Community) to an existing Groundwater Savings Facility (GSF) owned and operated by the Farmers Investment Co. (FICO) for Freeport-McMoRan Sierrita Inc.

The Bureau of Reclamation has determined that plans to connect a water delivery pipeline to the CAP and deliver CAP water leased from the Community to an existing GSF operated by the FICO is not a major federal action significantly affecting the quality of the human environment. This determination has been recorded in a FONSI. The final EA and FONSI can be viewed at: <http://www.usbr.gov/lc/phoenix/>. Paper copies of the final EA and FONSI are also available upon request.

A Notice of Availability (NOA) for the draft EA was issued on September 27, 2018, with comments due on October 27, 2018. No comment letters were received. Reclamation has determined that the proposed action will not significantly impact the environment, therefore an Environmental Impact Statement is not required.

For additional information regarding this matter, please contact Mr. Dominic Graziani, Environmental Protection Specialist, at 623-773-6216, or via email at [dgraziani@usbr.gov](mailto:dgraziani@usbr.gov).