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MEMORANDUM

To: All Interested Persons, Organizations and Agencies

From: Leslie A. Meyers
Area Manager

Subject: Notice of Availability (NOA) of a Final Environmental Assessment (EA) and Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) for the Proposed Exchange of Central Arizona Project (CAP) Water between the Gila River Indian Community (Community) and Maricopa-Stanfield Irrigation and Drainage District (MSIDD), Hohokam Irrigation and Drainage District (HIDD), Central Arizona Irrigation and Drainage District (CAIDD), New Magma Irrigation and Drainage District (NMIDD) and the Salt River Valley Water User's Association (SRVWUA)

The Bureau of Reclamation has determined that plans by the Community to store up to 25,000 acre-feet annually of CAP water at any one of the following Arizona Department of Water Resources permitted Groundwater Savings Facilities: MSIDD, HIDD, CAIDD, NMIDD and/or the SRVWUA 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 NOA for the draft EA was issued on April 4, 2019, with comments due by May 4, 2019. 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 by email at dgraziani@usbr.gov.