MEMORANDUM

To: All Interested Persons, Organizations, and Agencies

From: Leslie A. Meyers
Area Manager

Subject: Notice of Availability Regarding the Draft Environmental Assessment (EA) for Construction of Pima-Maricopa Irrigation Project (P-MIP) Reaches WS-1E and WS-1F (MC-1, MC-2, and MC-3) (Action by October 2, 2015)

The Bureau of Reclamation has issued a draft EA to solicit public comments on the potential environmental effects associated with construction of PMIP Reaches WS-1E and WS-1F (MC-1, MC-2, and MC-3) on the Gila River Indian Reservation. The draft EA is available for viewing or downloading at http://www.usbr.gov/lc/phoenix/. A paper copy of the draft EA can be obtained by calling Reclamation Phoenix Area office at 623-773-6251 or by emailing ggonzalez@usbr.gov.

The purpose of the proposed project is to provide a more reliable water supply to agricultural lands in the West Side Area of the Reservation. Extending the P-MIP system to the West Side Area will allow for more efficient use of Gila River Indian Community water resources and expand agricultural production opportunities in this area.

Comments should be submitted to Mr. John McGlothlen at the Reclamation Phoenix Area Office, 6150 West Thunderbird Road, Glendale, AZ 85306-4001, faxed to 623-773-6486, or emailed to jmcglothlen@usbr.gov no later than October 2, 2015. By law, the names and addresses of those providing comments are available for public review. Before including your name, address, phone number, email address, or other personal identifying information in your comment, you should be aware that your entire comment - including your personal identifying information - may be made publicly available at any time. While you can ask us in your comment to withhold your personal identifying information from public review, we cannot guarantee that we will be able to do so.

For additional information regarding this matter, please contact Mr. McGlothlen at jmcglothlen@usbr.gov or by calling 623-773-6256.