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MEMORANDUM

To: All Interested Persons, Organizations, and Agencies

From: **Acting FOC** Carol Lynn Erwin  
Area Manager

Subject: Final Environmental Assessment (EA) and Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) on Acquisition of Southwestern Willow Flycatcher Habitat

The Bureau of Reclamation (Reclamation) has prepared a final EA and FONSI for the proposed acquisition of 73 acres of land containing suitable habitat for the endangered southwestern willow flycatcher. The proposed land acquisition is located adjacent to the 140-acre Spirit Hollow Preserve managed by the Salt River Project.

Reclamation distributed the draft EA on July 19, 2006, to more than 80 individuals, organizations, and agencies for a 20-day public review period. Four respondents provided written comments on the proposal. These comments did not require that substantive changes be made to the EA. Therefore, the final EA primarily provides additional detail for topical areas which were referenced in the comments.

Reclamation has determined that the proposed land acquisition will not significantly impact the environment and that a FONSI is appropriate. A copy of the final EA and FONSI is included on the attached CD. These documents are also available on the Phoenix Area Office website at <http://www.usbr.gov/lc/phoenix/>.

For further information regarding this action, or to receive a printed copy of the final EA and FONSI, please contact Mr. McGlothlen at 623-773-6256 (or e-mail: [jwmcglothlen@lc.usbr.gov](mailto:jwmcglothlen@lc.usbr.gov)).

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