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MEMORANDUM

To: All Interested Parties, Organizations, and Agencies

From: Carol Lynn Erwin
Area Manager

Acting For

Subject: Draft Environmental Assessment (EA) for Rehabilitation of San Carlos Irrigation Project (SCIP) Facilities (Action by July 19, 2010)

The Bureau of Reclamation has issued the attached draft EA to solicit public comments on the potential environmental effects of the proposed Phase I rehabilitation of the subject SCIP facilities. The Phase I project includes rehabilitation of the headworks of the Ashurst-Hayden Diversion Dam, construction of a settling basin and ancillary sediment management and storage facilities, and rehabilitation of the section of the Florence-Casa Grande Canal linking the canal's headworks with the settling basin. The project would be implemented pursuant to Title II of the Arizona Water Settlements Act of 2004. Funding for the project would be provided by Reclamation.

The draft EA is provided on the attached CD-ROM. A paper copy of the draft EA can be obtained by calling Reclamation at 623-773-6239, or by emailing mcolon@usbr.gov. The EA may also be viewed on the Phoenix Area Office Web site at <http://www.usbr.gov/lc/phoenix/>.

Comments should be submitted to Mr. John McGlothlen at the Reclamation Phoenix Area Office, 6150 West Thunderbird Road, Glendale, Arizona 85306-4001, faxed to 623-773-6481, or emailed to jmcglothlen@usbr.gov, no later than July 19, 2010. By law, the names and addresses of those providing comments are available for public review. However, individuals may request that their name and/or address be withheld from the record. These requests will be honored to the extent allowable by law. If you wish your name and/or address to be withheld, you must state this prominently at the beginning of your comment letter. All comments from organizations or businesses will be available for public inspection in their entirety.

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

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