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Mr. Brian J. Brady
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Subject: Approval of Calendar Year 2010 Diversion for the Imperial Irrigation District (District)

Dear Mr. Brady:

In accordance with Title 43, Code of Federal Regulations Part 417, this letter provides the District with the Bureau of Reclamation's determination regarding the District's proposed diversion and beneficial use of Colorado River water during calendar year 2010.

The Colorado River Water Delivery Agreement (CRWDA) quantifies Colorado River water use within the State of California. This letter serves as the approval of the diversion amounts for the District pursuant to the terms of the CRWDA.

Under the terms of the CRWDA and other agreements between interested parties within the State of California, the District has the right to consumptively use up to 2,793,800 acre-feet of water in calendar year 2010. Based upon the review of the factors relating to the estimate of diversions required by the District, Reclamation hereby approves the diversion of up to 2,860,800 acre-feet for use in the District's service area for 2010. The enclosed table details the data used to develop the District's approved diversion for 2010. This diversion approval results in an estimated consumptive use of 2,793,800 acre-feet for calendar year 2010.

Reclamation has received the District's 2010 plan for the creation of Extraordinary Conservation Intentionally Created Surplus (ICS). The approved 2010 diversion contained in this letter does not include conservation for ICS. The District's 2010 approved amount will be amended to address a reduction for ICS upon Reclamation's approval of the District's calendar year 2010 ICS plan.

Reclamation will monitor and project diversions and consumptive use of Colorado River water during calendar year 2010 in an effort to ensure the entitlement of each authorized user is not exceeded. Beginning in February 2010, these projections are available to water users on a daily basis on Reclamation's web site: www.usbr.gov/lc/region/g4000/hourly/forecast10.pdf. It is expected that California entitlement holders will use this information to adjust diversions to remain within approved annual quantities.

Thank you for submitting the District's diversion estimate for 2010. If you have questions, please contact Mr. Paul J. Matuska at 702-293-8164.

Sincerely,

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IID Consumptive Use and Diversion Approval Table for Calendar Year 2010

Water Budget Item	Amount¹
Priority 3 Consumptive Use Cap	3,100,000
Present Perfected Right Holders and Others	(11,500)
1988 IID/MWD Conservation Agreement	(105,000)
IID Transfer to SDCWA	(70,000)
Salinity Management Water	(35,000)
IID Transfer to CVWD	(12,000)
AAC Lining Project Conservation	(67,700)
Drop 2 Construction Water	280
IID Consumptive Use met by LCWSP ³	(5,280)
Consumptive Use²	2,793,800
AAC returns ²	67,000
Approved Diversion²	2,860,800
¹ All values in acre-feet ² Values rounded to the nearest 100 acre-feet ³ Lower Colorado Water Supply Project (LCWSP) well field	