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Mr. Tom W. Davis
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Subject: Approval of Calendar Year 2013 Diversion Estimate for the Yuma County Water Users' Association (Association)

Dear Mr. Davis:

In accordance with Title 43, Code of Federal Regulations Part 417 (Part 417), this letter provides the Association with notice of my determination regarding the Association's proposed diversion and beneficial use of Colorado River water for calendar year 2013.

Water rights for lands within the Association are based on water right certificates which provide for delivery of the quantity of water which can be beneficially used for irrigation of individual lands covered by the water right certificate.

Based upon a review of 2013 diversion estimate provided by the Association, and the information gathered during the Bureau of Reclamation's annual Part 417 consultation process, I approve the diversion of up to 388,000 acre-feet of Colorado River water during calendar year 2013 for use in the Association's service area.

Reclamation will monitor and project diversions and consumptive use of Colorado River water during calendar year 2013 in an effort to ensure each entitlement holder's annual approval is not exceeded. Beginning in February 2013, these projections will be available to water users on a daily basis on Reclamation's website: www.usbr.gov/lc/region/g4000/hourly/forecast13.pdf. It is expected that Arizona entitlement holders will use this information to adjust diversions to remain within approved annual quantities or, as appropriate, seek modification of the approval.

Thank you for submitting the Association's diversion estimate for calendar year 2013. If you have questions, please contact Mr. Paul Matuska, Water Accounting and Verification Group Manager, at 702-293-8164.

Sincerely,

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