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In Reply Refer to
Office of Irrigation and Utility Services

Honorable Sherry Cordova
Chairwoman, Cocopah Indian Tribe
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Dear Chairperson Cordova:

On November 20, 2025 a virtual meeting was held and attended by representatives of the Cocopah Indian Tribe, Bureau of Reclamation, and Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA). The purpose of the meeting was to engage in a 43 CFR, Part 417 (Part 417) consultation with the Cocopah Indian Tribe (Tribe). During this consultation meeting the Tribe's 2026 Colorado River water usage requirements and plans were discussed.

With consideration given to discussion held during the aforementioned consultation meeting and in fulfillment of Part 417 responsibilities, the Regional Director, Western Regional Office, BIA has formally determined the Tribe's 2026 Colorado River water order. This water order is provided in the table below and corresponds with the monthly diversion schedule submitted by the Tribe. Estimated surface water diversions from Imperial Dam and estimated groundwater pumping rates have been combined in the water order. A copy of the diversion schedule submitted by the Tribe, along with the Tribe's completed Part 417 Consultation Questionnaire, is enclosed.

The Tribe's 2026 water order is (all quantities in acre-feet):

Month	Estimated Diversion
JAN	107
FEB	126
MAR	174
APR	174
MAY	244
JUN	319
JUL	527
AUG	527
SEP	502
OCT	482
NOV	154
DEC	107
TOTAL	3,443
ENTITLEMENT	11,518

This water order is being submitted to the Bureau of Reclamation for Colorado River water regulation and accounting purposes.

Please direct any questions to Mr. Jonathan Cody, Irrigation Engineer at (480) 235-3848.

Sincerely,



Regional Director

Enclosures:

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