



SOUTHERN NEVADA WATER AUTHORITY

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February 20, 2008

Ms. Lorri Gray, Regional Director
U.S. Department of the Interior
Bureau of Reclamation
Lower Colorado Regional Office
P.O. Box 61470
Boulder City, Nevada 89006

Dear Ms. Gray:

SUBJECT: SOUTHERN NEVADA WATER AUTHORITY INTENT TO CREATE AND DELIVER INTENTIONALLY CREATED SURPLUS IN 2008

The Southern Nevada Water Authority (Authority) intends to create and take delivery of Tributary Conservation Intentionally Created Surplus (ICS) from both the Muddy and Virgin Rivers in 2008 in accordance with the Record of Decision, Colorado River Interim Guidelines for Lower Basin Shortages and Coordinated Operations of Lake Powell and Lake Mead (Interim Guidelines). The Final Draft of the 2008 Annual Operating Plan for the Colorado River should therefore include a determination that the ICS condition will govern releases for use in the states of Arizona, Nevada and California during Calendar year 2008, pursuant to the Interim Guidelines.

The Authority currently has the necessary agreements in place to create and deliver this ICS in 2008 and will develop and submit a plan for the creation of the ICS to the Secretary, pursuant to the Interim Guidelines.

We look forward to working with you to develop the schedule and information needed to complete and implement our plan in 2008. If you have any questions, please contact William Rinne, Director of Surface Water Resources, at 702-691-5255.

Sincerely,

Kay Brothers
Deputy General Manager
Engineering and Operations

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cc: William E. Rinne, Director, Surface Water Resources
George Caan, Director, Colorado River Commission of Nevada

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