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**Subject: Approval of the Imperial Irrigation District's (IID) 2013 Plan for the Creation of Extraordinary Conservation Intentionally Created Surplus (ICS)**

Dear Mr. Kelley:

IID submitted its 2013 Plan for the Creation of Extraordinary Conservation ICS (ICS Plan) by letter dated June 29, 2012. IID's ICS Plan describes two separate projects from which it intends to create Extraordinary Conservation ICS, including the On-Farm Fallowing Program and the Main Canal Seepage Interception System. From the yields of these extraordinary conservation projects, IID plans to create up to 25,000 acre-feet (af) of ICS during calendar year 2013.

The Bureau of Reclamation has reviewed IID's ICS Plan and confirmed that it contains all necessary information required by Section 3.B of the Colorado River Interim Guidelines for Lower Basin Shortages and the Coordinated Operations for Lake Powell and Lake Mead (Interim Guidelines). Reclamation has also verified that the amount of ICS IID plans to create during 2013 is within the limits established in the California Agreement for the Creation and Delivery of Extraordinary Conservation ICS (California ICS Agreement). Reclamation notes that pursuant to Section 1 of the California ICS Agreement, IID may create up to 25,000 af of Extraordinary Conservation ICS in any year. Of the total Extraordinary Conservation ICS created annually by IID, not more than 12,000 af shall be created by seepage recovery projects. Pursuant to Section 7.B.5 of the Interim Guidelines, Reclamation has consulted with the Basin States regarding IID's ICS Plan.

Based upon Reclamation's review of IID's ICS Plan and the completion of the consultation process, I approve IID's 2013 ICS Plan for the creation of up to 25,000 af of Extraordinary Conservation ICS as provided in the table on the following page.

IID On-Farm Fallowing Program	up to 25,000 af
IID Main Canal Seepage Interception System	up to 12,000 af
Total Extraordinary Conservation ICS for Calendar Year 2013	Not to exceed 25,000 af

Section 3.B.1 of the Interim Guidelines provides that, subject to approval by Reclamation, a contractor may modify its approved ICS plan during the year of creation. Section 3.D.1 of the Interim Guidelines requires a contractor to submit a Certification Report to the Regional Director demonstrating the amount of ICS created and that the method of creation was consistent with the approved ICS plan, a Forbearance Agreement and a Delivery Agreement.

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Sincerely,



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