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We have reviewed the Colorado River Interim Surplus Guidelines prepared as the “Seven Basin States Consensus Proposal.” We concur with the method that has been negotiated between the basin states and urge that the Secretary of Interior adopt this plan, as written, as the preferred alternative.

1: The preferred alternative in this FEIS is derived from the Seven States Proposal. Reclamation did not structure the preferred alternative precisely as described in that draft proposal, but made some changes for consistency with Reclamation policy and operational procedures.

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