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Subject: Resource Management Plan (RMP)/Environmental Assessment (EA) for the 5-Mile Protective and Regulatory Ground Water Pumping Zone (5-Mile Zone)

Dear Mr. Garrison:

This letter is to inform you that Reclamation's Yuma Area Office is preparing a combined RMP/EA for the 5-Mile Zone. The 5-Mile Zone is a strip of land along the United States and Mexican border, extending east from the Colorado River approximately 13 miles. The 5-Mile Zone consists of lands owned and/or managed by Reclamation, the State of Arizona, and private individuals. Approximately 32,000 acres within the 5-Mile Zone are under the jurisdiction of Reclamation and are the subject of the RMP/EA currently under development (see attached map showing the 5-Mile Zone and boundaries of the study area).

The purpose of the RMP is to provide direction for future management decisions according to currently recognized standards of proper land and water use. The RMP will assist Reclamation in achieving responsible stewardship of the lands, resources, and water within the 5-Mile Zone.

Preparation and implementation of a RMP is a Federal undertaking and, therefore, falls under Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act. The act and implementing regulations require Federal agencies to consider the effects of an undertaking on cultural resources within the area of potential effect. This letter is to initiate the consultation process as required under 36 CFR 800 Sections 6 and 7.

As part of the development of the RMP, Reclamation is conducting a Class I survey of the affected area and has held several public

scoping meetings to solicit comments regarding the undertaking and the Area Potential Effect. In addition, Reclamation has initiated consultation with Indian Tribes which may have an interest in the area. At this time there are no ground-disturbing activities planned. If in the future any ground-disturbing undertakings are initiated, Reclamation will consult with your office regarding any potential effects on cultural resources within the area of the undertaking.

A copy of the draft RMP/EA will be sent to your office for review and comment. If, in the meantime, you have any questions or require further information, please call Mr. Joe Simonds of Reclamation's Denver Office at 303-445-2916.

Sincerely,

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Enclosure

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Subject: Resource Management Plan (RMP)/Environmental Assessment
(EA) for the Yuma 5-Mile Protective and Regulatory
Ground-Water Pumping Zone (5-Mile Zone)

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The RMP currently under development for the 5-Mile Zone will address Reclamation's management and resource responsibilities for lands under its jurisdiction. The purpose of the plan is to provide direction for future management decisions according to currently recognized standards of proper land and water use. The RMP will assist Reclamation in achieving responsible stewardship of the lands, resources, and water within the 5-Mile Zone.

Preparation and implementation of a RMP is a Federal undertaking and, therefore, falls under Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act (Act). The Act requires Federal agencies to consider the effects of an undertaking on cultural resources within the area of potential effect.

In order to address any concerns you may have, we would appreciate feedback from you on known cultural resources,

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including traditional cultural properties, and/or sacred sites that exist within the area of potential effect. (See enclosed map.) Our objective is to identify any such resources early in the planning process so that we can recommend avoidance of them in future undertakings.

We would appreciate your sending the requested cultural resources information by March 1, 2002, to Mr. Joe Simonds, Bureau of Reclamation, P.O. Box 25007 (D-5300), Denver CO 80225-0007. If you, other tribal leaders, or tribal staff would like to meet to discuss cultural resources issues associated with the 5-Mile Zone, please contact Mr. Simonds at his address or by telephone at 303-445-2916.

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