Appendix A Reclamation's Cultural Resources Determination

CULTURAL RESOURCES COMPLIANCE Mid-Pacific Region Division of Environmental Affairs Cultural Resources Branch

MP-153 Tracking Number: 16-SCAO-189

Project Name: 2016 Temporary Change in Water Quality Requirements for Groundwater Introduced into the Upper Portion of the Delta-Mendota Canal (DMC)

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Reclamation proposes to temporarily change the maximum acceptable concentration of selenium for groundwater introduced into the upper portion of the DMC, at well heads, from 2 parts per billion (ppb) to 5 ppb. The change would be in effect through September 30, 2016. The maximum allowable selenium concentration for wells in the lower portion of the DMC would be unchanged. The proposed action would take place using existing facilities, with no new construction or ground disturbance required.

Reclamation has determined that the proposed action is the type of undertaking that does not have the potential to cause effects on historic properties, should such properties be present, pursuant to 36 CFR § 800.3(a)(1). As such, Reclamation has no further obligations under 54 U.S.C. § 306108, commonly known as Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA).

This document conveys the completion of the cultural resources review and NHPA Section 106 process for this undertaking. Please retain a copy with the administrative record for the proposed action. Should the proposed action change, additional review under Section 106, possibly including consultation with the State Historic Preservation Officer, may be required.