## CULTURAL RESOURCES COMPLIANCE Division of Environmental Affairs Cultural Resources Branch (MP-153)

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Project Name: Addition of Southern San Joaquin Municipal to the Poso Creek IRWMP

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Reclamation proposes to annually approve the groundwater banking, transfer, and exchange program as part of the Poso Creek Water Management Plan for up to 25 years. This would include incorporating Southern San Joaquin Municipal Utility District into the Poso Creek Regional Watershed Management Group and allow them to take advantage of the water management opportunities during wet periods and the availability of surface water surplus to their immediate in-district needs. The proposed action consists of water management actions would be conveyed through existing Reclamation facilities. No new construction or ground disturbing activities would be associated with the proposed action.

Reclamation 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. The proposed action would have no impacts on cultural resources. Please retain a copy of this document 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.