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U.S. Bureau of Reclamation
Attn: LTEMP SEIS Project Manager
125 South State Street, Suite 800
Salt Lake City, UT 84138

Re: Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement for December 2016 Record of Decision Entitled Glen Canyon Dam Long-Term Experimental and Management Plan

Dear LTEMP SEIS Project Manager,

Central Utah Water Conservancy District (District) appreciates the opportunity to comment on the Notice of Intent (NOI) to Prepare a Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement to modify the December 2016 Record of Decision for the Glen Canyon Dam Long-Term Experimental and Management Plan (LTEMP) Final Environmental Impact Statement.

The District recognizes the Department of Interiors interest in analyzing flow options to prevent smallmouth bass and other warmwater invasive nonnative fish from establishing below Glen Canyon Dam, in addition to analyzing the sediment accounting window associated with the LTEMP High-Flow Experiment (HFE) protocol.

The District is the local sponsor of the Bonneville Unit (BU) of the Central Utah Project. As such, the District has interest in protecting access to diversion and storage of Colorado River water under the BU water right. Additionally, as documented in the Supplement to the 1988 Definite Plan Report for the Bonneville Unit, the District has interest in Colorado River Storage Project (CRSP) power reserves.

Actions taken at Glen Canyon Dam for the purposes described in the NOI have the potential to impact power production, power revenue, and downstream releases, all of which may impact the District operating costs, access to power reserves, and more fundamentally, the ability to divert and store Colorado River water in priority.

We request consideration be given to the impact of changes proposed under the NOI to the District as the operator and repayment entity for the Bonneville Unit of the Central Utah Project.

Regards,

Gene Shawcroft, P.E.
General Manger/CEO, Central Utah Water Conservancy District