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State Water Resources Control Board Division of Water Rights Attn: Greg Brown P.O. Box 2000 Sacramento, CA 95812-2000

Re: Water Right Application 5634X01 - Project Update

Dear Mr. Brown:

Pursuant to Water Code section 1275 and your acceptance letter of application number 5634X01, this letter is to update you on the Lead Agency's progress in preparing the appropriate environmental document. The Nevada Irrigation District (NID) will be the Lead Agency for this project.

- NID has continued working with HDR, our environmental consultant, developing the project description, project alternatives and drafting the notice of preparation and initial study. It is anticipated that the NOP will be out for public review in January of 2016.
- The preliminary geotechnical and feasibility study is ongoing. Subsurface exploration work including seismic refraction surveys and exploratory borings have been completed. The draft geotechnical report and feasibility study is expected in December of 2015.
- As stated previously, NID has completed a Lidar/topographic survey of the area and has developed the unimpaired hydrology model for the Bear River and some various operational models.

If you have any questions or need any further assistance, please to not hesitate to contact me at 530-271-6866 or email me at roderick@nidwater.com.

Sincerely,

Doug Roderick, P.E. Senior Engineer