



NEVADA IRRIGATION DISTRICT

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State Water Resources Control Board
Division of Water Rights
Attn: Kathryn Gaffney
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Re: Water Right Application 5634X01 – Project Update

Dear Ms. Gaffney:

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.

- Administrative Draft is currently being reviewed by staff.
- Anticipated Draft EIR expected out for public review in September/October of 2017 and Draft EIS expected out for public review in February/March of 2018.
- The Notice of Preparation comment period was from February 16, 2016, to April 18, 2016. There were two evening scoping meetings for the public to attend.
- Notice of Intent for NEPA EIS document was issued by the USACE on February 10, 2017, with scoping meetings for public comment held on March 1, 2017, in Auburn and March 2, 2017, in Grass Valley.
- Biological/archeological surveys have been ongoing. A UAIC member is one of the field crews conducting the surveys.
- AB 52 consultation with United Auburn Indian Community (UAIC) is ongoing. Next meeting with NID and UAIC is scheduled for May 12, 2017, to continue discussion of results of field surveys.
- The preliminary geotechnical and feasibility study is ongoing. Phase III report, conceptual engineering design and opinion of probable construction cost estimations have been completed and presented to the Board of Directors.
- Staff and consultants have met with DSOD staff to review and discuss results of Phase III investigation.
- NID responded to protests that were received during noticing of our water rights application.
- NID has had and continues to have meetings with South Sutter Water District representatives regarding SSWD protest.
- The project website address is www.centennialreservoir.org

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

Sincerely,

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