

## **NEVADA IRRIGATION DISTRICT**

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

Re: Water Right Application 5634X01 - Project Update

Dear Mr. Strunk:

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. Only significant change since last update relates to AB 52 consultation.

- NID has reallocated resources to update the Raw Water Master Plan (RWMP) in an effort to support future projects. As previously discussed with you, the anticipated release of the DEIR has been pushed out.
- Consultants continue to conduct studies and analysis to develop the DEIR and address comments already received.
- Biological/archeological surveys completed for additional minor areas have been reviewed by NID.
- AB 52 consultation is ongoing. Met with UAIC earlier in December to discuss results of the cultural resources report and to provide that data for their review. NID waiting for comments back from UAIC. Meeting with Colfax-Todds Valley occurred in January to discuss their initial review of the cultural resources report. Another meeting with Colfax-Todds Valley will be held once their review of the cultural resources report has been completed. There continues to be no response from Nevada City Rancheria Tribal Council.
- NID has now provided answers to all protests that were received during noticing of its water rights application.
- NID and SSWD have temporarily suspended further discussions until the release of the DEIR. It is expected that NID will revisit and schedule further discussions with all protestants once the DEIR is made public.
- A couple of additional documents have been added to the website. The project website address is www.centennialreservoir.org or nidwater.com

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,

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