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Ms. Sylvie Lee
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Notice of Completion and Environmental Document Transmittal for the Chino Basin
Watermaster Optimum Basin Management Program Update SCH2020020183
San Bernardino County

Dear Ms. Lee:

The Division of Safety of Dams (DSOD) has reviewed the Initial Study for the Chino Basin Watermaster Optimum Basin Management Program Update (Project) which describes constructing various new surface water storage basins (listed on Pages 20 and 21 of the Initial Study) and improvements to the Upland, College Heights, Brooks, Eight and Seventh Street, Etiwanda Conservation, Lower Day, Victoria, San Sevaine, Turner, Hickory, Etiwanda Percolation, Jurupa, and Wineville Basins, and the construction of the RP-3 Basins (Page 16).

Insufficient information is provided regarding the basins in the Project description to make an accurate jurisdictional determination with regards to the described work and it is unclear whether part or all the work will be subject to State jurisdiction for dam safety; therefore, the Inland Empire Utilities Agency needs to submit preliminary plans for each of the proposed basins so that DSOD can make a jurisdictional determination.

As defined in Sections 6002 and 6003, Division 3, of the California Water Code, dams 25 feet or higher with a storage capacity of more than 15 acre-feet, and dams higher than 6 feet with a storage capacity of 50 acre-feet or more are subject to State jurisdiction. The dam height is the vertical distance measured from the maximum possible water storage level to the downstream toe of the barrier.

If any of the dams are subject to State jurisdiction, a construction application, together with plans, specifications, and the appropriate filing fee must be filed with DSOD for this project. All dam safety related issues must be resolved prior to approval of the application, and the work must be performed under the direction of a Civil Engineer registered in California. Erik Malvick, our Design Engineering Branch Chief, is responsible for the application process and can be reached at (916) 565-7840.

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If you have any questions or need additional information, you may contact Area Engineer Bill Vogler at (916) 565-7828 or me at (916) 565-7827.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Rick G. Draeger".

Rick G. Draeger, Regional Engineer
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