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STATE CLEARINGHOUSE

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SCH # 2019069075: Conditional Use Permit #19-0006 (Initial Study #19-0008)
Imperial County

Dear Ms. Valenzuela:

We have reviewed your submittal Conditional Use Permit #19-0006 (Initial Study #19-0008) Project which describes the construction of three evaporation ponds with a surface area of 10 acres per pond. The project would add an additional step to the treatment process to eliminate wastewater discharge into the natural environment.

Insufficient information was provided for us to make a determination on whether the three evaporation ponds are subject to State jurisdiction for dam safety. Therefore, preliminary plans for the basins need to be submitted so that we 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. Dam height is defined as the vertical distance measured from the maximum possible water storage level to the downstream toe of the barrier.

If the ponds are subject to State jurisdiction, a construction application, together with plans, specifications, and the appropriate filing fees must be filed with the Division of Safety of Dams for each pond. All dam safety related issues must be resolved prior to the approval of an 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.

If you have any questions or need additional information, you may contact Area Engineer Brandon Cruz at (916) 565-7829 or me at (916) 565-7827.

Sincerely,

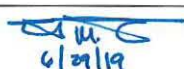
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