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Governor's Office of Planning & Research

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Inland Empire Utility Agency  
Attn: Ms. Sylvie Lee  
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## STATE CLEARINGHOUSE

INLAND EMPIRE UTILITIES AGENCY (IEUA), ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT (EIR);  
INLAND EMPIRE UTILITIES CHINO BASIN PROGRAM PROJECT (PROJECT); SCH #  
2021090310

Dear Ms. Lee:

Thank you for the opportunity to review the EIR for the proposed Project. The State Water Resources Control Board, Division of Drinking Water (State Water Board, DDW) is responsible for issuing water supply permits administered under the Safe Drinking Water Act and will require a new or amended water supply permit for the above referenced Project. A project requires a permit if it includes water system consolidation or changes to a water supply source, storage, or treatment or a waiver or alternative from Waterworks Standards (California Code of Regulations (CCR) title 22, chapter 16 et. seq).

The State Water Board, DDW, as a responsible agency under CEQA, would like to see the following addressed in the EIR.

- The document states the water systems, components, and descriptions thereof cannot yet be provided in the document as details of the proposed connections are not yet defined. However, there are specific facilities proposed in the document. If it is known which water systems will operate the following components, please specify:
  - The 17 extraction wells
  - The two and half million-gallon storage tank
  - The five-million-gallon storage tank
  - Any other facilities identified in the document that will trigger a permit for which the water system ownership is known

Please note, the operation of new drinking water sources, and new drinking water components such as wells and distribution reservoirs will trigger a discretionary domestic water supply permit from the State Water Board, DDW. The water systems that will eventually operate these facilities may need project specific environmental documents or addendums to describe in more detail the project and assess environmental.

Once the EIR is certified, please forward the following items in support of the Project's required permit applications to the State Water Board, DDW Central District Office:

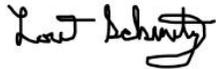
- The draft and final EIR with the Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Plan (MMRP)
- All comment letters received and the lead agency responses as appropriate
- The Resolution or Board Minutes adopting the EIR, MMRP, Findings, and Statement of Overriding Considerations

E. JOAQUIN ESQUIVEL, CHAIR | EILEEN SOBECK, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

- The stamped Notice of Determination filed at the San Bernardino County Clerk's Office and the Governor's Office of Planning and Research, State Clearinghouse

Please contact Terrence Kim of the Central District Office, at (818) 551-2029 or [Terrence.Kim@waterboards.ca.gov](mailto:Terrence.Kim@waterboards.ca.gov) if you have any questions regarding permitting requirements.

Sincerely,



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