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September 6, 2023

**RE:** CEQA Comment Extension Period for the IWVGA Imported Pipeline Project

The Indian Valley Wells Groundwater Authority (IWVGA), as lead agency pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act, announced today an extension for agency and public comments for preparation of a draft Environmental Impact Report for the Imported Water Pipeline Project. Initially scheduled through Aug. 31, 2023, the comment period has been extended until September 20, 2023. Written comments may be submitted in-person or by U.S. Mail to the addresses below, or provided by email to either address. Comments sent by U.S. Mail must be postmarked on or before September 20, 2023.

The extension of the comment period is in response to requests received during public scoping meetings held by IWVGA in the communities of Ridgecrest and California City on August 23, 2023, and August 24, 2023, respectively.

Comments on the proposed scope and content of the EIR may be submitted in writing to the attention of:

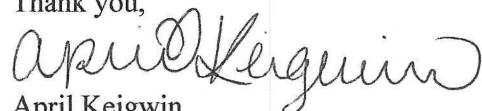
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The IWVGA is a local public agency formed in 2016 through execution of a Joint Exercise of Powers Agreement between the City of Ridgecrest, Indian Wells Valley Water District, County of Kern, County of Inyo, and County of San Bernardino. It is led by a five-member Board of Directors, with non-voting ex-officio members that include the Bureau of Land Management and the United States Navy, Naval Air Weapons Station China Lake.

Thank you,



April Keigwin  
Clerk of the Board  
Indian Wells Valley Groundwater Authority