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## VIA ELECTRONIC AND OVERNIGHT MAIL

November 24, 2014

The Honorable Sally Jewell  
Secretary of the Interior  
United States Department of Interior  
1849 C Street NW  
Washington, DC 20240

Dear Madam Secretary:

Pursuant to Section 212(j)(1) of the 2004 Arizona Water Settlements Act, Public Law 108-451, the State of New Mexico, through the New Mexico Interstate Stream Commission, hereby provides you notice that the State of New Mexico intends to have constructed or developed the New Mexico Unit of the Central Arizona Project.

I enclose a November 24, 2014, resolution of the New Mexico Interstate Stream Commission authorizing this notification.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Jim T. Dunlap".

Jim T. Dunlap  
Chairman  
New Mexico Interstate Stream Commission

Encl.

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## RESOLUTION OF THE NEW MEXICO INTERSTATE STREAM COMMISSION REGARDING THE NOTIFICATION OF THE SECRETARY OF INTERIOR PURSUANT TO THE 2004 ARIZONA WATER SETTLEMENTS ACT

WHEREAS, the Arizona Water Settlements Act (AWSA) was passed by Congress and signed into law by the President in 2004 as Public Law 108-451;

WHEREAS, the AWSA allocates to New Mexico: 1) an annual average of up to 14,000 acre-feet consumptive use of additional water from the Gila basin in New Mexico; and, 2) between \$66 and \$128 million in non-reimbursable federal funding;

WHEREAS, the AWSA mandates that the New Mexico Interstate Stream Commission ("Commission") make the final determination regarding how the additional water and the money available to the State under the Act will be utilized. (Section 212(d)(1) and Section 212 (i), respectively, of the AWSA);

WHEREAS, pursuant to the AWSA, New Mexico must provide notice to the Secretary of Interior no later than December 31, 2014, if it intends to develop the additional water through the construction of a New Mexico Unit of the Central Arizona Project; and,

WHEREAS, the Commission voted on November 24, 2014 in an open, public meeting, to pursue the development of a diversion and storage project through a New Mexico Unit of the Central Arizona Project.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the New Mexico Interstate Stream Commission, through its Chairman, Mr. Jim T. Dunlap, will notify Ms. Sally Jewell, Secretary of the United States Department of Interior, on or before December 31, 2014, that the State of New Mexico intends to have constructed or developed the New Mexico Unit of the Central Arizona Project.

Approved this 24<sup>th</sup> day of November, at the meeting of the New Mexico Interstate Stream Commission held in Albuquerque, New Mexico.

BY: 

Jim T. Dunlap  
Chairman  
New Mexico Interstate Stream Commission