

ENVIRONMENTAL ACTION STATEMENT (EAS)

Within the spirit and intent of the Council on Environmental Quality's regulations for implementing the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA), and other statutes, orders, and policies that protect fish and wildlife resources, I have established the following administrative record and have determined that the action of ongoing and future operations and maintenance activities along the lower Colorado River in La Paz, Mohave, and Yuma Counties, Arizona; Imperial, Riverside, and San Bernardino Counties, California, and Clark County, Nevada:

___ is a categorical exclusion as provided by 516 DM 2, Appendix 1 and 516 DM 6, Appendix 1 and no further NEPA documentation will be made.

___ is found not to have significant environmental effects as determined by the attached Environmental Assessment and Finding of No Significant Impact.

XX is found to have significant effects, and therefore further consideration of this action will require a notice of intent to be published in the Federal Register announcing the decision to prepare an EIS.

___ is not approved because of unacceptable environmental damage, or violation of Fish and Wildlife Service mandates, policies, regulations, or procedures.

___ is an emergency action within the context of 40 CFR 1506.11. Only those actions necessary to control the immediate impacts of the emergency will be taken. Other related actions remain subject to NEPA review.

Other supporting documents:

- Environmental Impact Statement/Environmental Impact Report
- Biological Assessment and Biological Opinion
- Findings Document
- Conservation strategies, recovery goals, and recovery plans for listed species

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