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Subject: Centennial Water Supply Project: Public Benefit Ratio and Eligibility

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Dear Mr. Roderick,

Maria Herrera
Member

We received Nevada Irrigation District's (NID) letter dated February 23, 2018, informing the Commission that the NID would not appeal the staff-adjusted Public Benefit Ratio (PBR) for the Centennial Water Supply Project (Centennial Project). The letter also requested the application be left in the program should program requirements change or additional funding become available. I am writing to clarify how staff will approach the Centennial Project application in the upcoming scheduled Commission meeting, May 1-3, 2018. Our February 1 PBR review of the Centennial Project could not verify the shallow water habitat public benefit contained in your application. The benefit was removed from the PBR calculation and staff indicated in the review that if the benefit was not addressed through the appeal, staff would seek an eligibility determination from the Commission in May.

Catherine Keig
Member

Because NID did not submit an appeal, the staff will proceed as the review indicates and ask the Commission to find the project is ineligible at the May 1-3 Commission meeting, consistent with the regulations governing the Water Storage Investment Program (Cal. Code Regs. Title 23, section 6006). As the applicant, your agency will have an opportunity to address the Commission at the meeting before the Commission makes its decision.

If you have any questions, or wish to discuss the May meeting, please do not hesitate to call me at (916) 651-9220 or email me at joseph.yun@water.ca.gov.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Joe Yun".

Joe Yun
Executive Officer, California Water Commission