# Sites Reservoir Project Monthly Status Report

## Monthly Status Summary:

The development of the Sites Project continues to make progress in the critical areas including the following activities:

# Engineering:

- Began processing mapping/surveying data.
- Ongoing coordination and planning efforts for design level geotechnical investigations.
- Continue engagement and development of the Contract Strategy.
- Continued coordination with the California Department of Water Resources Division of Safety of Dams.
- Ongoing support of responses to RDEIR/SDEIS comments.

# Coordination with Reclamation:

- Ongoing coordination on the preparation of the Final EIR/EIS and responses to comments.
- Ongoing discussions on modeling, operations, and overall process for the Biological Assessment and Section 7 consultation.
- Planned several meetings with Reclamation on the various agreements required for Project construction and operations.

# Environmental Planning and Permitting:

- Ongoing preparation of responses to comments on the RDEIR/SDEIS.
- Preparation of the administrative Final EIR/EIS based on updated modeling results.
- Continued discussions with Tribes under AB52.
- Ongoing support to geotechnical investigations, including the preparation of a Final EA/IS, Mitigated Negative Declaration and Mitigation and Monitoring Reporting Program.
- Prepared Short-term Take Eagle Permit for 2023-2026 Geotechnical activities.
- Submitted draft Biological Assessment to Reclamation, legal and Integration for review and comment.
- Submitted preliminary draft of the 404 and 401 permit packages to U.S. Army Corps of Engineers and Regional Water Quality Control Board.

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- Coordinated and led tour of the Project "public" areas with CDFW technical staff.
- Ongoing work in preparation for the next phase of the water right process.
- Coordinate conceptual schedule for tasks required to clear parcels for construction.
- Ongoing coordination with Reclamation management on approach and process for Section 7 analysis.

#### **Operations:**

- Completed all BA appendices.
- Completed most of the modeling effort for the Final EIR/EIS.
- Continued to support the EIR/EIS team in response to comments.
- Had discussions with DWR on development of the Prop 1 Benefit Agreement for flood reduction and recreation.
- Coordinated with DWR and CDFW on the overall process and structure of the Prop 1 Benefit Agreements.

## Stakeholder Engagement, Public Outreach & Real Estate:

- Conducted site tours for DC Reclamation Deputy Commissioner Mike Brain and Deputy Assistant Secretary Gary Gold.
- Conducted site tour with Grace Espindola and a group of the operating engineers.
- Prepare responses to media inquiries.

## Program Management & Administration:

- Facilitated Two-Way Financing Check-in with Participants.
- Facilitated Contractor Open House and follow-on contractor engagement sessions.