Report Period: August 2022

Monthly Status Summary:

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

Engineering:

- Continued processing mapping/survey data.
- Ongoing coordination and planning for executing design-level geotechnical investigations.
- Ongoing support of responses to RDEIR/SDEIS comments.
- Supported project schedule development and updates.

Coordination with Reclamation:

- Coordinated Reclamation review of Batch 2 Master and Individual responses to comments on the RDEIR/SDEIS and NEPA schedule for Final EIS.
- Continued coordination with Reclamation on the approach to the Project's Biological Assessment.

Environmental Planning and Permitting:

- Authority, Integration and legal counsel review of Batch 2 Master and Individual responses to comments on the RDEIR/SDEIS.
- Ongoing preparation of the remaining Batch 3 responses to comments as well as edits to text of the RDEIR/SDEIS necessary due to comments.
- Ongoing review of revised modeling results and update to RDEIS/SDEIS chapters and appendices.
- Ongoing support to 2023-2024 Sites Reservoir Test Pits, Fault Studies and Quarry Studies, including beginning preparation of the CEQA Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration.
- Ongoing AB52 consultation.
- Continued revisions to the Project's Adaptive Management Plan.
- Finalized Draft Mitigation Monitoring Plan.
- Ongoing work in preparation for the next phase of the water right process.
- Provided additional data for CDFW to support the Construction ITP application.
- Continued development of conceptual schedule for tasks required to clear parcels for construction.

Operations:

- Continued coordination on Winter Run Lifecycle Model with NMFS.
- Continued support of the EIR/EIS team in response to comments.
- Continued modeling of Alternative 2 for the Final EIR/EIS.

Stakeholder Engagement, Public Outreach & Real Estate:

- Facilitated landowner meetings in Maxwell and Dunnigan with affected project landowners.
- Conducted coordination meetings with landowners who have ownership over key parcels where project infrastructure is located to discuss geotechnical activities and other real estate actions.
- Created Local Community Working Group outline and initiated calls to those that are felt best suited to attend these meetings. The meetings will start in October 2022.

Program Management & Administration:

- Collaborated with USDA Rural Development staff to extend the Letter of Conditions for the USDA Loan for the Maxwell Water Intertie.
- Facilitated Project Scheduling Workshop based on adopted Contract Strategy.

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