

SITES  
RESERVOIR  
PROJECT

**CERTIFIED  
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**RDEIR/SDEIS  
VIRTUAL  
PUBLIC MEETING**

Wednesday, December 15, 2021

6:00 P.M.

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3                   Sara Katz,  
4                   Meeting Moderator

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6                   Aly Forsythe,  
7                   Sites Environmental Planning and Permitting  
8                   Manager

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10                  Vanessa King,  
11                  Bureau of Reclamation

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13                  Sarah Rossetto,  
14                  Q&A Monitor

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16                  Mike Hendrick,  
17                  Fisheries Biologist

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1 Sites Reservoir Project. And if you're interested in  
2 making a formal comment, please raise your hand and you  
3 will be invited to unmute yourself, state your name and  
4 any organization you are affiliated with, and read your  
5 formal comment into the record. We will be staying here  
6 until 8:00 p.m. to take all formal comments. Thank you.

7 I see we have a hand raised with the last four  
8 numbers of 4482. If you could please unmute yourself,  
9 state and spell your name and any affiliation you might  
10 have, and then enter your comments into the formal  
11 record.

12 Unmute yourself. There you go.

13 MEREDITH HACKLEMAR: Hi, can you hear me?

14 SARA KATZ: We can, yes.

15 MEREDITH HACKLEMAR: Thank you for allowing me  
16 to comment. My name's Meredith Hacklemar;  
17 M-e-r-e-d-i-t-h, H-a-c-k-l-e-m-a-r, and I have been a  
18 visitor, settled here in the State of California for 30  
19 years. I moved all over the State, and everywhere I go,  
20 I see how water infrastructure has destroyed the natural  
21 landscape and the flow and all the habitat. And the  
22 last thing we need is another piece of infrastructure.  
23 There's no more water to divert.

24 I believe strongly in Indigenous sovereignty,  
25 and I support the rights of California Indians and their

1 land and water rights. And to destroy and flood another  
2 sacred site with cultural resources is unconscionable,  
3 so I'm really against this project, and I thank you for  
4 allowing me to comment.

5 SARA KATZ: Thank you so much.

6 Again, we will be accepting comments until  
7 8:00 p.m.

8 Our public meeting will end at 8:00 p.m.  
9 tonight and be accepting comments until 8:00 p.m., and  
10 then we'll have two closing slides as it relates to how  
11 to submit formal written comments. Thank you.

12 We have five more minutes that we will be  
13 accepting formal public comments. Again, as a reminder,  
14 from your computer or on the Zoom App, just click "raise  
15 hand." And from your phone, simply dial star 9 to raise  
16 your hand. We will then call on the individual and  
17 unmute you so you can read your comment into the record.  
18 Thank you.

19 If you could please advance to the next slide.  
20 You can comment after today's -- tonight's meeting by  
21 providing a written comment. Please do so by emailing  
22 your comments to [EIR-EIS-Comments@Sitesproject.org](mailto:EIR-EIS-Comments@Sitesproject.org).

23 You can also mail your comments to the Sites  
24 Project Authority, P.O. Box 517, Maxwell, California  
25 95955, or to the Bureau of Reclamation, 2800 Cottage