



The attached letter was mailed to 97 landowners within or adjacent to the Project footprint. Individual landowner names and addresses are not provided for privacy reasons.



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November 12, 2021

LANDOWNER NAME AND ADDRESS

Subject: Release of the Revised Draft Environmental Impact Report/Supplemental Draft Environmental Impact Statement for the Sites Reservoir Project for Public Review and Comment

Dear **LANDOWNER LAST NAME:**

In August 2017, the Sites Project Authority (Authority) and Bureau of Reclamation (Reclamation) jointly issued a Draft Environmental Impact Report/Environmental Impact Statement (2017 Draft EIR/EIS) for the Sites Reservoir Project (Project). As a result of changes to the Project and in compliance with State and Federal regulations, the Authority and Reclamation have released a Revised Draft Environmental Impact Report/Supplemental Draft Environmental Impact Statement (RDEIR/SDEIS). Consistent with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), the RDEIR/SDEIS is being recirculated for public review and comment. The RDEIR/SDEIS includes a complete revision of the 2017 Draft EIR/EIS analysis and describes the environmental effects and mitigation measures related to construction and operation of the Sites Reservoir Project.

The enclosed Notice of Availability provides a brief description of the Project and details related to the RDEIR/SDEIS public review period, including how to comment and the various ways to access the draft environmental documents.

Public participation is essential to the environmental review process and important for development of the Sites Reservoir Project. Release of the RDEIR/SDEIS starts a 60-day public review and comment period. **Comments should be received by 5 p.m. PST, January 11, 2022**, via email at EIR-EIS-Comments@SitesProject.org or via U.S. Mail to either: Sites Project Authority, P.O. Box 517, Maxwell, CA 95955; or, U.S. Bureau of Reclamation, 2800 Cottage Way, W-2830, Sacramento, CA 95825. Before including your address, phone number, e-mail address, or other personal identifying information in your comment, you should be aware that your entire comment, including your personal identifying information, may be made publicly available at any time. Although you can request in your comment to withhold your personal identifying information from public review, we cannot guarantee that we will be able to do so.

Two virtual public meetings will be held to provide information and an opportunity to learn more about the Sites Project and submit comments on the draft environmental analyses. These meetings will be held:



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- **December 15, 2021** from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m.
- **December 16, 2021** from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m.

Virtual meeting instructions and other information will be provided in the coming weeks online at <https://www.sitesproject.org/environmental-review/>.

In addition, the Authority will be hosting a community meeting on December 6, 2021, from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. to also provide information and an opportunity to learn more about the Sites Project. This community meeting will be held at the American Legion Hall, 230 Oak Street, Maxwell, California. Please note that the community meeting is not part of the official RDEIR/SDEIS public meetings and comments/questions at the community meeting will not be part of the RDEIR/SDEIS official record.

We value your input and appreciate your participation in this process. If you have any questions, please contact Alicia Forsythe, Sites Project Authority, at 530-438-2309.

Sincerely,

Jerry Brown
Executive Director

