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Draft Environmental Impact Report/Environmental Impact Statement

Thousand Palms Flood Control Project, Riverside County, California
File No. SPL-2014-00238

REGULATORY DIVISION

Dear Reader:

Enclosed for your review is the draft environmental impact report/environmental impact statement (EIR/EIS) for the Thousand Palms Flood Control project. The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (Corps), Los Angeles District (federal lead agency) and the Coachella Valley Water District (CVWD) (California lead agency) are preparing this joint EIR/EIS to analyze the potential impacts of constructing and maintaining a flood control project within the Thousand Palms community. The Corps is evaluating the impacts associated with the potential issuance of a Department of the Army permit to allow the discharge of fill to jurisdictional waters of the U.S. CVWD has applied to the Corps for this permit to allow them to implement their project.

The Corps and CVWD invite federal agencies, state and local governments, Native American Tribes, interested organizations, and the public to comment on this draft EIR/EIS. Comments received in response to this solicitation, including names and addresses of those who comment, will become part of the public record for this project.

The comment period will extend for 45 days from the publication of the Notice of Availability of the draft EIR/EIS in the *Federal Register*, and comments must be received by the Corps no later than May 16, 2022. It is important that you clearly articulate your concerns and contentions, and include your name, address, telephone number, your organization, and "Thousand Palms Flood Control Project Draft EIR/EIS" and the file number (SPL-2014-00235) in the subject line of your comments.

Please address written comments to Michael Langley, Senior Project Manager, at the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Arizona-Nevada Office, 3636 N. Central Avenue, Suite 900, Phoenix, Arizona 85012-1939; telephone (602) 230-6953 or email comments to: Michael.W.Langley@usace.army.mil. Thank you for your interest in this project.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "MJL", written over a white background.

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