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Notice of Intent to Adopt a Negative Declaration

Environmental Assessment/Initial Study for Amendment to the Long-Term Renewal Contract Between the United States and Corning Water District Providing Project Water Service from the Sacramento River Division for the Purpose of Relinquishing a Portion of the Contract Total Available for Public Review and Comment

The Bureau of Reclamation and the Corning Water District have jointly prepared an Environmental Assessment (EA)/Initial Study (IS) and draft Negative Declaration (ND) on the effects of executing an Amendment to the Long-Term Renewal Contract between the United States and Corning Water District providing Project Water Service from the Sacramento River Diversion, for the purpose of relinquishing a portion of Corning Water District's Central Valley Project water supply to Reclamation to help meet its statutory obligation to provide a water supply to wildlife refuges in the Sacramento and San Joaquin Valleys. The water would no longer be available to Corning Water District, in Tehama County, and would be delivered to 19 Central Valley Project Improvement Act (CVPIA) refuges in the Sacramento and San Joaquin Valleys in Glenn, Colusa, Sutter, Stanislaus, Merced, Fresno, Tulare, and Kern counties.

The documents are available for review at https://www.usbr.gov/mp/nepa/nepa_project_details.php?Project_ID=29541. If you encounter problems accessing the documents online, please contact the Public Affairs Office at 916-978-5100 or email mppublicaffairs@usbr.gov. The documents are also available for in-person review at the Corning Water District office: 22240 Gallagher Avenue, Corning, CA 96021.

Corning Water District has released the draft document for a 30-day public review period. Written comments are due to Reclamation and Corning Water District by the close of business August 27, 2019, and should be sent to Tatiana Carrillo, Bureau of Reclamation, 2800 Cottage Way, MP-410, Sacramento CA 95825, via e-mail to tcarrillo@usbr.gov, or faxed to 916-978-5114. Additionally, comments may be sent to Mitch Hardwick, Corning Water District, P.O. Box 738, Corning, CA 96021, or via email to h2oman26@gmail.com.

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