

## United States Department of the Interior

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY Washington, DC 20240

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The Honorable Raul M. Grijalva Chair, Committee on Energy and Natural Resources United States Senate Washington, DC 20510

Dear Mr. Grijalva:

The purpose of this letter is to transmit the Secretary of the Interior's December 21, 2020 Final Feasibility Report for the North-of-the-Delta Offstream Storage Investigation Reservoir Project and serves as notification to Congress of the Secretary's determination of feasibility as specified in the Water Infrastructure Improvements for the Nation (WIIN) Act, section 4007(b), P.L. 114-322.

The North-of-the-Delta Offstream Storage (NODOS) project is a State led project under the WIIN Act and would add a new off-stream storage facility northwest of Sacramento, California. Sites Reservoir would store water that is diverted from the Sacramento River for later release by beneficiaries throughout the State of California. The reservoir would provide additional supply for agriculture and municipal and industrial water supply, operational flexibility of the Central Valley Project, benefits to anadromous fish, Incremental Level 4 water supply for Central Valley Project Improvement Act refuges, Delta ecosystem enhancement, flood damage reduction, and recreation. As a State led project, NODOS may qualify for up to a 25 percent Federal cost-share.

As required by Executive Order 12322, the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) has completed its review of the attached feasibility report. OMB does not object to the Department of the Interior submitting this report to you and requested that we bring to your attention the necessity for the project to compete with other proposed investments for funding in future budgets.

Due to the size of the documents, we are making them available to you electronically for download at the following website: www.usbr.gov/mp/nodos/feasibility-report.html

If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact Mr. Robert Wolf, Director, Program and Budget, Bureau of Reclamation, at (202) 513-0642.

Sincerely,

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