

Nevada Irrigation District

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Traci Sheehan Van Thull, Coordinator Foothills Water Network PO Box 573 Coloma, CA 95643

Melinda Booth, Executive Director South Yuba River Citizens League 313 Railroad Ave., Suite 101 Nevada City, CA 95959

Dear Ms. Sheehan and Ms. Booth,

Thank you for your letter dated October 26, 2022, regarding the District's Plan for Water (PFW) process. Below are responses to your recommendations regarding ongoing stakeholder input in the PFW process:

Comment: Since stakeholder input is requested and expected going forward, provide available background and ancillary information at least seven business days prior to the next PFW meeting.

Response: Staff has already committed to providing information during the modeling process one week prior to a Plan for Water meeting.

Comment: Request that stakeholders provide their input and/or suggestions in writing for inclusion in the final PFW packet that goes to the BOD.

Response: Comments may be made in writing or verbally. Stakeholder input will not be limited to providing comments and/or input in writing only. Many stakeholders are representing themselves or are not paid to participate in the process and therefore the stakeholder engagement process has been designed to accommodate individual time constraints that may not allow for the preparation of written comments.

Comment: Request stakeholder representatives be readily available at PFW meetings to directly answer BOD questions or add additional relevant and clarifying information as needed or requested.

Response: As noted in the previous response, not all stakeholders are compensated for

their time to participate in the PFW process. As such, there may be times when a particular stakeholder is not able to participate in all meetings due to schedule conflicts or time constraints. To allow for maximum stakeholder engagement, meetings are recorded and provided to the public to allow stakeholders to participate even when they cannot attend a meeting. This courtesy will continue to be offered.

Comment: Include communication materials both to NID and the BOD from the public and stakeholders as well as from NID to the public and stakeholders in the website materials repository.

Response: Please refer to the following link for comments that have been received to date regarding the PFW.

https://www.nidwater.com/plan-for-water-documents-5fbb459

We look forward to your continued participation in the Plan for Water Process. Should you have any questions please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

Jennifer Hanson General Manager