



City of Needles, California Request for City Council Action

CITY COUNCIL NPUA

Regular Special

Meeting Date: January 27, 2026

Title: Authorize the City Manager to execute the First Amendment to the California River Contractors Forbearance Agreement for 2024 – 2026 Conservation Agreement under the Lower Colorado Conservation and Efficiency Program

Background: Recently, MWD, PVID, and USBR amended the SCIA. Attached is a draft amendment to the 2024-2026 California Forbearance Agreement to cover the amended SCIA that extends the agreement for an additional 5 months through December 31, 2026.

The amendment is not objectionable. It adds to the existing system conservation from within PVID but on a voluntary basis, with a callback provision for the Metropolitan Water District, ending December 31, 2026. The underlying 117,000 AF of system conservation is unchanged.

Enclosed is the forbearance agreement and SCIA amendment.

The Board of Public Utilities approved the recommended action on January 20, 2026.

Fiscal Impact: None

Environmental Impact: None

Recommended Action: Authorize the City Manager to execute the First Amendment to the California River Contractors Forbearance Agreement for 2024 – 2026 Conservation Agreement under the Lower Colorado Conservation and Efficiency Program

Submitted By: Rainie Torrance, Utility Manager

City Manager Approval: Patrick J. Martinez

Date: 1/22/2026

Other Department Approval (when required): _____

Date: _____