



## City of Needles, California Request for Commission Action

CITY COUNCIL  BOARD OF PUBLIC UTILITIES

Regular  Special

**Meeting Date:** April 7, 2026

**Title:** Accept and File the Approval of Calendar Year 2026 Colorado River Water Diversion for the City of Needles

**Background:** On September 26, 2025, City staff submits to the Bureau of Reclamation the diversion estimates for 2026 based on current PPR entitlements, Voluntary Reduction agreements, and the LCWSP entitlement agreement.

On March 30, 2026, the Bureau of Reclamation approved the submitted water order request for 2026 to include up to a maximum of diversion of 2,261 AF and a consumptive use of 1,605 AF. In accordance with the *Inadvertent Overrun and Payback Policy*: accumulation of **inadvertent overruns is not permitted** in calendar year 2026 and is suspended as long as a Short Condition is in effect. In addition, any unused allocation cannot be rolled forward.

**Fiscal Impact:** None

**Environmental Impact:** All Colorado River Entitlement Holders are monitoring their Colorado River water use to ensure they remain within available quantities.

**Recommended Action:** Accept and File the Approval of Calendar Year 2026 Colorado River Water Diversion for the City of Needles

**Submitted By:** Rainie Torrance, Utility Manager

**City Manager Approval:** Rainie Torrance Acting City Manager

Date: 3/31/2026

**Other Department Approval (when required):** \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_