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Letter Supporting Neighboring IRWM Regions' Proposition 84 Round 2 Grant Applications

Dear Mr. Wallace,

The Integrated Regional Water Management (IRWM) Regions within the Lahontan Funding Area have recently engaged in a collaborative process to discuss options regarding our applications for Proposition 84 Round 2 Implementation Grants. Through this process we have learned about our neighboring IRWM regions' stakeholder involvement processes, top priorities, and proposed projects. As of this date, the Antelope Valley, Inyo-Mono, Mojave, and Tahoe-Sierra IRWM Regions have been involved in these discussions. These conversations were beneficial to all IRWM groups in the Lahontan region and we plan on continuing these discussions, inviting all other IRWM groups within our region as well.

We support our neighboring IRWM Regions' projects and grant applications. We intend to pursue even greater collaboration in Proposition 84 IRWM Implementation funding rounds, including potential agreement on an equitable distribution of funds among the IRWM groups in the region.

We have found that this collaborative effort with neighboring regions has been valuable to our IRWM planning processes, and we wanted to share these efforts with Department of Water Resources.

Sincerely,

Antelope Valley Region
Inyo-Mono Region
Mojave Region
Tahoe-Sierra Region

CC: Fremont Valley Region, Lahontan Region