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Subject: Official Notice Documents
Attachments: USGS 13132500 Big Lost River near Arco (2011-2020).pdf

Dear Parties:

Three of the proposed exhibits identified by Ms. Huggins are documents associated with water rights 34-7571 and 34-7573. These rights are held by Water District 34 and authorize the district to divert water from the Big Lost River for ground water recharge. The Plan of Operation for these rights includes the following provision: "For the Big Lost River itself downstream from Mackay Dam, diversion for recharge downstream from Mackay Dam will not occur unless the flow at the Arco gage is 60 cfs or more, measured as a three consecutive day average." The Arco Gage, also known as USGS Gage #13132500 (Big Lost River near Arco), is located ½ mile downstream of the proposed pump station. Until evidence is presented at hearing, it is not clear how the ground water recharge rights and the Plan of Operation are relevant to the contested case. I want to be sure, however, that the record contains the technical data needed to properly assess the arguments raised by the parties. Mr. Quist's proposed exhibits includes monthly flow statistics for the Arco Gage. It might also be helpful to have stream flow data on a daily time step. Therefore, pursuant to Rule 602, I will take official notice of recent (2011-2020) stream flow records for the Arco Gage. Attached is a copy of the data that is the subject of the official notice. I don't have an email address for Mr. Quist, so this email will be printed and mailed to him.

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