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TO: Sinker Creek Water Users (see attached list)

RE: Controlled Fill of Nahas Lake

As of March 6, 1995, the Nahas Lake was short of capacity by approximately 1.5 feet in elevation, or approximately 80 acre-feet of volume. Accordingly, a controlled fill of Nahas Lake will begin as soon as possible using flows of Sinker Creek which will be passed through Hulet Reservoir and turned into the Sinker Creek channel.

Presently, Sinker Creek above Hulet Reservoir is flowing at an estimated 20 cfs, or 1000 miners inches. Based on previous experience, initial flows of approximately 10 cfs will be turned into the Sinker Creek channel. Unless flows in Sinker Creek diminish, a drawdown of Hulet Reservoir should not occur.

It is mandatory that all flows released from Hulet Reservoir be routed into Nahas Lake during the controlled fill period. Aside from minimal stockwater diversions and instream stock use, no other diversions from Sinker Creek will be allowed during this time. Please be advised that no irrigation may occur from Sinker Creek, Nahas Lake, or Hulet Reservoir before April 1.

Please ensure that, by Monday, March 13, 1995, all Sinker Creek headgates are closed and any obstructions removed so that water may flow unimpeded down the creek channel. The controlled fill will be conducted and monitored under the direction of this department and the Sinker Creek Watermaster. Initial flows are expected to be released on March 13 or 14.

Thank you for your cooperation in this matter. If you have any questions, please contact me at 334-2190.

Sincerely,

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Enclosure

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