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David,

As Reclamation's representative to the National Fish, Wildlife and Plants Climate Adaptation Strategy (NFWPCAS) steering committee, I have initiated a Reclamation review of the NFWPCAS draft strategy (see below). Devon Ryan (Climate Change Assistant, Association of Fish and Wildlife Agencies) has asked me to copy this communication to you, just in case there is additional coordination needed at the Department level, or with your role as the Department's representative to the CEQ Climate Change Adaptation Task Force.

Best Regards, Paul

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Request for Bureau of Reclamation review and comments of the draft NFWPCAS Strategy

Dear Mike, Curt, Rosanne, David, Kira, and Gray,

The National Fish, Wildlife and Plants Climate Adaptation Strategy (NFWPCAS) management team has requested agency reviews of their draft strategy. I have been asked to coordinate Reclamation's response, and I will also coordinate with the Department as needed. Please provide me with your comments by **November 28, 2011**, and I will consolidate a single set of comments for the November 30, 2011 review deadline. The current schedule calls for release of a public review draft of the Strategy in January 2012. The draft strategy, some additional talking points and review details are attached. Please distribute further as needed, but do not circulate the draft Strategy outside the agency.

The draft Strategy was developed by a team of more than 100 US federal, state and tribal scientists and managers, and seeks to provide a nation-wide, unified approach—reflecting shared principles and science-based practices—to safeguard the nation's biodiversity, ecosystem functions and sustainable human uses of fish, wildlife and plants in a changing climate. Background about the draft Strategy is available at www.wildlifeadaptationstrategy.gov.

As you review the draft Strategy, please keep the following points in mind:

- A professional editor/science writer and designer has been retained to develop an executive summary of the Strategy before it is released for public review.
- Only review and comment are currently sought, not formal agency clearance. Your review and comments do not indicate approval, nor do they commit Reclamation to any action.
- Substantive comments about content will be most useful, especially comments that identify errors of fact, omissions or misinterpretations. Substantive comments that also provide suggested alternative wording and/or references if necessary will also be useful.
- Please highlight fatal flaws that you think must be addressed before the Strategy is released for public review.
- Please encourage staff of your agency with expertise in areas other than fish, wildlife and plants (such as transportation, energy, agriculture, urbanization, infrastructure, and water resources) to review and provide comments, especially on Chapter 4.

Best Regards, Paul

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