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Dear MOU Parties:

Subject: Lower Owens River Project (LORP) 2020 Draft Annual Report

The LORP 2020 Draft Annual Report is available for your review and can be downloaded from the Los Angeles Department of Water and Power (LADWP's) website at: <https://www.ladwp.com/LORP>. The report represents the completion of the fourteenth year of monitoring for the project. This report is being provided in a paperless format for both an environmental benefit, as well as facilitating more rapid and efficient communication.

The July 11, 2007, Stipulation and Order and the 2004 Final Lower Owens River Project Environmental Impact Report (Final LORP EIR) require the County of Inyo and LADWP prepare and release to the public and to representatives of the MOU Parties an annual report on the LORP. Specifically, Section 2.10.4 of the Final LORP EIR provides that:

*"The County and LADWP will prepare an annual report that includes data collected during the habitat and flow compliance monitoring, results of analysis and recommendations on the need for adaptive management actions. The annual report will be reviewed by the Inyo/Los Angeles Technical Group and will also be made available to the public. The Technical Group meetings are open to the public, and meeting agendas are provided to the public in advance of each meeting."*

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A virtual public meeting will be held to discuss the draft report on Thursday, December 17, 2020 at 1:00pm via Zoom. Due to COVID-19 restrictions the meeting will not be held in person. Attendees may access the meeting by clicking the following link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81424111164?pwd=ZIFZYjVLTWhvaXhMU0hneUxIMW0zQT09>.

This meeting is to provide the public and MOU Parties the opportunity to offer comments on the draft report and any other LORP-related issues they would like to discuss with staff from LADWP and the County of Inyo. Written comments related to the Lower Owens River Project 2020 Draft Annual Report may be sent to Mr. Adam Perez, Aqueduct Manager, at LADWP 300 Mandich Street, Bishop, CA 93514 and/or to Dr. Aaron Steinwand, Director, at Inyo County Water Department, 135 South Street, P.O. Box 337, Independence, CA 93526 by Friday, January 8, 2021.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact Ms. Lori Dermody, Watershed Resources Supervisor, LADWP, (760) 872-1104 or Mr. Larry Freilich, IWCD, at (760) 878-0011.

Sincerely,



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