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Kimberly D. Bose, Secretary
Federal Energy Regulatory Commission
888 First Street, NE
Washington, D.C. 20426

Subject: Transmittal of Historic Properties Management Plan for the Yuba River Development Project (FERC Project No. 2246), Nevada, Sierra, and Yuba Counties, California

Dear Secretary Bose:

Yuba County Water Agency (YCWA), as owner and operator of the Yuba River Development Project (Project), hereby files with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) the *Historic Properties Management Plan, Yuba River Development Project (FERC Project No. 2246), Nevada, Sierra, and Yuba Counties, California* (HPMP).

YCWA sent the State Historic Preservation Officer (SHPO) a draft HPMP for review on March 12, 2014. The SHPO's office responded with comments to YCWA's draft in a letter dated July 11, 2014. Based on the SHPO's comments, YCWA submitted a revised HPMP to SHPO on April 22, 2016. The revised HPMP reflects modifications to address comments submitted by the SHPO, United States Forest Service, and tribal representatives. It also includes minor project boundary changes and revisions resulting from additional surveys completed to inventory land exposed during extreme low water levels at Bullards Bar Reservoir.

YCWA designed the HPMP to provide management measures for the protection of historic properties within the Project's Area of Potential Effects (APE) throughout the term of the new license that FERC will issue. In a letter dated June 13, 2016, SHPO concurred that the HPMP adequately addressed how YCWA will manage historic properties in the Project APE for the term of the license.

The attached HPMP reflects consideration of all comments received to date. Also enclosed is a copy of SHPO's June 13, 2016 concurrence letter. **The HPMP is being filed in the Commission's non-public, privileged files.**

If you have any questions regarding this letter, please contact Ms. Danielle Risse, Senior Cultural Resources Specialist with HDR Engineering, at 916-679-8796 (email danielle.risse@hdrinc.com).

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Respectfully submitted,



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Attachments:

- 1) Historic Properties Management Plan Yuba River Development Project (FERC Project No. 2246), Nevada, Sierra, and Yuba Counties, California (**PRIVILEGED**)
- 2) SHPO Concurrence Letter dated June 13, 2016 (**PUBLIC**)

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