



November 25, 2015

Ms. Virginia O'Connell, Manager  
Arizona Water Banking Authority  
3550 North Central Avenue, Second Floor  
Phoenix, Arizona 85012

**Re: Draft 2016 Plan of Operation**

Dear Ms. O'Connell:

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the Draft 2016 Annual Plan of Operation for the Arizona Water Banking Authority (AWBA). Metropolitan Domestic Water Improvement District (District) supports AWBA's draft 2016 Plan of Operation. The AWBA has helped contribute towards meeting the CAP M&I Firming goal for the Tucson Active Management Area.

The last sentence in Section IV on Page 8 should note that available storage capacity is also subject to Tucson storage priorities.

Under "Storage for Inter-AMA Firming", please revise the second sentence of the last paragraph as follows: CAWCD, ADWR, AWBA and the Bureau of Reclamation (Reclamation) continue to evaluate how the proposal can be a part of a comprehensive firming program in the CAP service area. Likewise, under the "Recovery" section of the draft plan, AWBA should note that implementation of the recovery plan includes developing a comprehensive firming program. Other examples of progress on the implementation plan should be highlighted.

Lastly, the title of Table 6 does not correspond with the text on bottom of Page 15.

Again, thank you for the opportunity to comment on the draft plan. Please call me at (520) 575-8100, if you have any questions on the District's comments.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Michael W. Block". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name being the most prominent.

Michael W. Block  
Water Resources Manager

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Warren Tenney  
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