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MEMORANDUM

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Marina-Laughlin Bridge Rd

This clearance memorandum supersedes the previous clearance memorandum issued on March 2, 2009. This memorandum has been updated due to an amended scope of work, which now includes construction of a median on Summit Drive at the intersection with State Route 95, and the installation and replacement of traffic loop detectors. The State Historic Preservation Office concurred with a finding of “no historic properties affected” for the additional scope of work on March 11, 2009. No additional mitigation measures are required.

The Environmental Planning Group reviewed this project and has determined that it meets the criteria of a Group Two Categorical Exclusion in accordance with 23 CFR 771.117(d). The Categorical Exclusion document was approved by the Federal Highway Administration on March 2, 2009 and the CE reevaluation was approved on March 25, 2009.

In accordance with 23 CFR 771.129(c), the Environmental Planning Group shall be consulted to determine whether this Categorical Exclusion remains valid for the referenced project prior to major approvals. These include environmental, design, right-of-way, and bid approvals.

If there is a change in the project scope or the project limits, the Environmental Planning Group (Dee Phan/602.712.8633) must be contacted to evaluate potential impacts.

This constitutes environmental approval.

Please include the following mitigation measures in the project specifications. These mitigation measures are not subject to change without prior written approval from the Federal Highway Administration.

Design Responsibility

- **The Department project manager will contact the Department Hazardous Materials Coordinator (602.712.7767) 30 days prior to bid advertisement to determine the need for additional site assessment.**

Contractor Responsibilities

- For milling activities, the roadway surface preceding the milling machine shall be kept sufficiently wet so as to prevent the generation of any visible fugitive dust particles, but not so wet as to cause excess runoff from the roadway surface onto the roadway shoulder.
- To prevent the introduction of invasive species seeds, all earthmoving and hauling equipment shall be washed at the contractor's storage facility prior to entering the construction site.
- To prevent invasive species seeds from leaving the site, the contractor shall inspect all construction equipment and remove all attached plant/vegetation and soil/mud debris prior to leaving the construction site.
- At least 10 working days prior to the start of construction, the contractor, in consultation with the Department Kingman District, shall contact Lake Mead National Recreation Area Resource Management (Benjamin Watson, 702.219.3029) to arrange for a brief park orientation to include Sonoran Desert tortoise awareness instruction. The park orientation will be presented by Lake Mead National Recreation Area personnel and shall be attended by all personnel who will be on-site in the Lake Mead National Recreation Area, including, but not limited to, surveyors, construction engineers, contractors, subcontractors, supervisors, inspectors, delivery personnel, and employees.
- The contractor shall contact Lake Mead National Recreation Area Resource Management (Benjamin Watson, 702.219.3029) to coordinate the inspection of construction equipment for the presence of foreign soil or debris prior to the start of construction activities within the Lake Mead National Recreation Area.
- No millings shall be used for shoulder buildup on State Route 68 from milepost 0.0 to milepost 0.8 in the Lake Mead National Recreation Area. Material to be used for shoulder buildup shall be limited to clean, weed-free earthen material imported from a material source outside the Lake Mead National Recreation Area.
- No borrow sites shall be established within the Lake Mead National Recreation Area. The use of any material source for the acquisition of earthen fill for shoulder buildup shall be subject to approval of the Department and the Lake Mead National Recreation Area (Benjamin Watson, 702.219.3029).

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