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Upper Colorado Region Provo Area Office 302 East 1860 South Provo, Utah 84606-7317

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To:

Interested Persons, Organizations, and Agencies:

Subject: East Canyon Reservoir Water Intake Structure Draft Environmental Assessment

Please be advised that in compliance with NEPA (National Environmental Policy Act) requirements, we have completed the East Canyon Reservoir Water Intake Structure Draft Environmental Assessment and have enclosed a copy for your review and comment. This document follows the June 3, 2008, scoping letter Reclamation transmitted to you for comment, as part of the public involvement process, to help us in clarifying the environmental issues and the potential magnitude of environmental impacts.

The proposed action analyzed in this Draft Environmental Assessment is Reclamation's authorization for Summit Water Distribution Company to construct a new water intake structure, pipeline, powerline, and appurtenant facilities at East Canyon Reservoir for the delivery of up to 12,500 acre-feet of water per year from East Canyon Reservoir in Morgan County, Utah, into facilities already built or under construction, for distribution to the Park City and Snyderville Basin area of Utah.

The public is invited to comment on the Draft Environmental Assessment. A public meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, January 13, in Morgan at the Morgan County Court House (48 West, Young Street) from 5 to 7 p.m. The purpose of this meeting will be to present a summary of the proposed project and answer questions, as well as receive written comments.

This letter begins a 30-day public review and comment period. Comments may be provided to Reclamation until January 30, 2009. Written comments should be addressed to the Bureau of Reclamation, Attention: Mr. Peter Crookston, PRO-774, 302 East 1860 South, Provo, Utah 84606-7317. Comments may also be submitted via e-mail to pcrookston@uc.usbr.gov. The draft EA is also available on the internet at www.usbr.gov/uc/envdocs/index.html.

We look forward to your comments and appreciate the opportunity to provide Federal, state, and tribal entities, as well as the general public, an opportunity for involvement in Reclamation projects to assist in planning and decision-making.

Sincerely,

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