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Subject: Water for America - Basin Study Program – Yakima Basin Study Proposal

Dear Mr. Sandison:

I am writing to express the Yakima-Tieton Irrigation Districts support for the Bureau of Reclamation and the Department of Ecology's Water for America - Yakima Basin Study Proposal. The Water for America Basin Study Program would provide substantial funding for the Yakima River Basin Water Enhancement Project 2009 Work Group efforts to develop a Comprehensive Water Resource Management Implementation Plan for the Yakima basin.

We look forward to participation on the 2009 Work Group and engaging in the implementation planning process.

Sincerely,

Richard Dieker  
Secretary-Manager