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## BLM Extends Comment Period on Southern Nevada Groundwater EIS

Reno, Nev.—The Bureau of Land Management (BLM) will extend the public comment period for scoping on the proposed Clark, Lincoln and White Pine counties groundwater development project at the request of several public groups. The 30-day extension will close on Tues., Oct. 17. Written comments will be accepted; no public meetings will be hosted by the BLM.

The rescoping is to gather comments specifically on the changes to the Southern Nevada Water Authority right-of-way request, which will be used to prepare a draft environmental impact statement.

Scoping on the project was reopened on July 19 for 60 days because substantive changes have been made since the original scoping period last year. Changes made to the proposal since the original scoping period in 2005, include the conveyance of about 36,000 acre feet per year of water for the Lincoln County Water District, the cancellation of proposed groundwater development in the Tikaboo Valley North Basin, and shifts in alignment and location of well fields and facilities.

Additional information about the project and the report from the original scoping period held April – August 2005 is available at [www.nv.blm.gov](http://www.nv.blm.gov), or by calling Penny Woods at the BLM Nevada State Office, 775-861-6466.

Written comments may be mailed to Penny Woods, BLM, P.O. Box 12000, Reno, NV 89520-0006 or faxed to 775-861-6689.