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Dear Ms. Woods,

Thank you for opportunity to submit comments regarding the Southern Nevada Water Authority's Groundwater Development Project. I want to express my full support for the project as well as the proposed action outlined in the BLM's Draft Environmental Impact Statement as the preferred alternative for the project.

The Southern Nevada Water Authority has a strong environmental record; they are stewards of sustainability, preservation and protection. They will implement environmental protection measures. As with any project, there are uncertainties, but I have faith that the Southern Nevada Water Authority will act sensibly and responsibly.

I also understand that because of the uncertainties in predicting effects of groundwater withdrawals, SNWA has developed an adaptive management approach for use in determining whether and how additional environmental protection measures should be implemented.

For these and other reasons, I support the SNWA's applications for rights-of-way and urge the Bureau of Land Management to approve them.

Sincerely,

Theodore E Raab