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Subject: Clark, Lincoln, and White Pine Counties Groundwater Development Project Draft EIS

Dear Ms. Woods:

The following are the comments of Glen Canyon Institute (GCI) on the Clark, Lincoln, and White Pine Counties Groundwater Development Project Draft EIS.

GCI is a nonprofit organization founded in 1996 and based in Salt Lake City, Utah. GCI has 1,500 members from Nevada, Utah, and across the United States. These members have a significant interest in the management, protection, and restoration of lands and waters in the region.

The mission of Glen Canyon Institute is to restore Glen Canyon and a free-flowing Colorado River. The Clark, Lincoln, and White Pine Counties Groundwater Development Project is relevant to our organization's work. It is particularly relevant to GCI's Fill Mead First proposal, which would keep Lake Mead full and use lake Powell for backup storage.

**C1** Please classify GCI as a commenter and keep us on your list for future updates and opportunities for comment on this project. Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the draft EIS.

Sincerely,

Michael J. Kellett  
Executive Director