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Dear Mr. Murray:

The Reclamation Division has reviewed Basin Cooperative Services responses, dated November 29, 2011, in reply to our technical review letter dated July 6, 2011 on Bond Release No. 8 for Permit BCGH-8204. The following item needs to be addressed prior to this office recommending Commission action.

Attachment VI - Tract History, Bonding and Vegetation Data

Follow-up to Item No. 13: As stated in the previous deficiency, a statement in the second paragraph of page 5 states that the wetlands were not affected by mining or associated mining and reclamation disturbance. However, this statement is inaccurate for Wetland B. The 1985 annual map indicates the area was graded and respread in that year, and the 1986 annual map shows the area was seeded, thereby indicating the area was disturbed in some manner. Please update the appropriate sections accordingly to indicate that Wetland B was disturbed and subsequently reclaimed. (MDB)

If you have any questions, please contact this office.

Sincerely,

James R. Deutsch
Director
Reclamation Division