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Attn: Susan Joseph-Taylor

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Dear Susan:

Nobody's going to want to hear this, but the best long-term solution to SNWA's need for water is for SNWA, San Diego, Los Angeles, Phoenix, Tucson and Mexico to form a special water district and build a huge desalination plant on the Gulf of California. Mexico would donate the land for the plant and an equally huge solar array. The other partners would fund the plant, solar array and pipelines. This project would probably be cheaper in the long-run and would provide a more reliable water source. Trying to get a significant amount of water from Eastern Nevada is a losing bet and a wasted investment.

Sincerely,



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Cc; Great Basin Water Network