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Steven Montgomery, DVM, Chairman West Bank Homeowners Association P.O. Box 970 Blythe, California 92226

Dear Dr. Montgomery:

This letter is in response to inquiries of the West Bank Homeowners Association regarding the western boundary of the Colorado River Indian Reservation.

As you may know, Congresswoman Mary Bono forwarded your March 2003 letter regarding the western boundary of the Colorado River Indian Tribe Reservation to the Department of the Interior (Department) for response. The Department, through its Office of the Solicitor, recently responded to Congresswoman Bono, explaining the Department's position with respect to the issues raised in your letter. Shortly before the Department sent its response to Congresswoman Bono, it received a large number of letters from individual members of your Association, which raised the same issues addressed in your earlier letter. To ensure that you and your members have received a response to the concerns that you raise, we are enclosing a copy of the Department's response to Congresswoman Bono, which addresses the issues raised in your and your members' letters. Please feel free to share this letter with your members as you deem appropriate.

Sincerely,

Director, Bureau of Indian Affairs

Enclosure