

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE DISTRICT OF NEW MEXICO**

STATE OF NEW MEXICO, *ex rel.* STATE )  
ENGINEER, )  
) )  
Plaintiff, )  
) )  
v. )  
) )  
R. LEE AAMODT, et al., )  
) )  
Defendants, )  
) )  
and )  
) )  
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, )  
PUEBLO DE NAMBÉ, )  
PUEBLO DE POJOAQUE, )  
PUEBLO DE SAN ILDEFONSO, )  
and PUEBLO DE TESUQUE, )  
) )  
Plaintiffs-in-Intervention. )

No. 66cv6639 WJ/WPL

**THE RIO de TESUQUE ASSOCIATION, INC.’S REPLY  
IN SUPPORT OF SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT AND ENTRY  
OF A PARTIAL FINAL DECREE ON THE PUEBLOS’ RIGHTS**

The Rio de Tesuque Association, Inc. (hereafter “the Association”) respectfully submits this Reply in support of the Settlement Agreement dated April 19, 2012 (hereafter “Settlement”) and in support of the entry of the proposed Partial Final Judgment and Decree on the Water Rights of the Pueblos of Tesuque, Pojoaque, Nambe and San Ildefonso (hereafter “Partial Final Decree”). The Association filed its Memorandum in Support of the Settlement on November 6, 2014 (Doc. 9911). That memorandum focused on administration of rights on the Rio Tesuque and demonstrated how non-Pueblo water users there will be better off under the Partial Final

Decree and the Settlement. Only two response briefs were filed in opposition to entry of the Partial Final Decree and approval of the Settlement (Group 1 Response, filed January 5, 2015, Doc. 9972 and the Atencio Group Response, filed January 7, 2015, Doc. 9973). Neither of those response briefs responded in any substance to the Association's opening memorandum. Thus, for its reply, the Association refers to its opening memorandum and also joins in the reply briefs filed by Certain Non-Pueblo Defendants in support of entry of Partial Final Judgment and Decree and by the State of New Mexico, County of Santa Fe and City of Santa Fe's in support of Settlement.

The Association restates its support for the Settlement and submits that the Settlement is in the best interests of its member community ditches and their members and is fair, adequate, reasonable, in the public interest, consistent with applicable law, and it should be adopted.

Respectfully submitted,

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