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DISTRICT COURT  
DOÑA ANA COUNTY, NM

THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT )  
STATE OF NEW MEXICO )  
COUNTY OF DOÑA ANA )

STATE OF NEW MEXICO *ex rel.* )  
Office of the State Engineer, )

Plaintiff, )

vs. )

ELEPHANT BUTTE IRRIGATION )  
DISTRICT, *et al.*, )

Defendants. )

No. CV 96-888  
Hon. James J. Wechsler  
Presiding Judge

Stream System Issue  
SS-97-104  
United States' Interests

Stream System Issue  
SS-97-107  
Pre-Project Interests

**ORDER EXTENDING STAY OF PROCEEDINGS**

**THIS MATTER** having come before the Court on the joint request of the State of New Mexico, the United States, the Elephant Butte Irrigation District, New Mexico State University, the City of Las Cruces, the Camino Real Regional Utility Authority, the Public Service Company of New Mexico, the City of El Paso, the El Paso County Water Improvement District No. 1 (Amicus), the New Mexico Pecan Growers Association, and the Southern Rio Grande Diversified Crop Farmers' Association, for a continued stay of proceedings in Stream System Issue 104 (SS-97-104) and Stream System Issue 107 (SS-97-107), and a hearing having been held on October 23, 2018, and the Court having been fully advised in the premises **FINDS:**

Good cause exists to continue the Court's suspension of proceedings in SS-97-104 and SS-97-107 for the purpose of allowing the parties to continue to make progress in their negotiations.

**IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that:**


1. The joint request for continued stay of proceedings in SS-104 and SS-107 is GRANTED, and proceedings shall continue to be stayed from September 7, 2018 to March 8, 2019, during which time the parties shall diligently proceed with their negotiations;
2. The parties shall, individually or collectively, report to the Court in writing no later than March 8, 2019 on the status of their negotiations; and
3. If appropriate, the parties shall propose new scheduling orders for SS-97-107 and SS-97-104 no later than March 8, 2019.
4. This stay shall continue in effect until lifted by entry of order by the Court.

**IT IS SO ORDERED.**

  
James J. Wechsler  
Judge Pro Tempore

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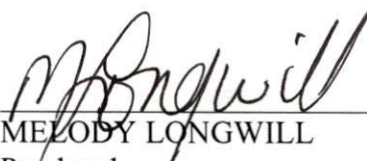
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