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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, Plaintiff, WAKLER RIVER PAIUTE TRIBE, Plaintiff-Intervenor, v. WALKER RIVER IRRIGATION DISTRICT, a corporation, et al. Defendants.	IN EQUITY NO. C-125-ECR SUBFILE NO. C-125-C **NOTICE OF APPEARANCE BY CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND GAME**
WALKER RIVER PAIUTE TRIBE, Counterclaimant, v. WALKER RIVER IRRIGATION DISTRICT, et al., Counterdefendants.	

TO ALL PARTIES AND THEIR COUNSEL OF RECORD:

The California Department of Fish and Game, by and through the

undersigned counsel, notices its appearance in the above-styled litigation, subfile no. C-125-C, pertaining to the reallocation of water sought by Mineral County, Nevada. The Department, as a holder of various water rights in the Walker River basin, is already nominally a party to this litigation. However, until now the Department has not been active in the litigation, and had not filed a notice of appearance. Now it appears that the critical issue of a major reallocation of water rights may be addressed in this case. A court order readjudicating and reallocating Walker River water to Walker Lake would have significant implications for one or more of the Department's interests: 1) its proprietary interest as a land owner and holder of certain water rights in the Walker River basin; 2) its legal responsibilities as the public trustee for California fish and wildlife; and 3) its interest gained in the civil settlement of *People of the State of California, California Department of Fish and Game v. Walker River Irrigation District*, Mono County Superior Court No. 9786, which requires the Walker River Irrigation District, as owner and operator of the Bridgeport Dam, to maintain a higher minimum pool in the Bridgeport Reservoir than is required by the District's license from the California State Water Resources Control Board.

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Accordingly, the California Department of Fish and Game requests that, from this date forward, copies of all pleadings, orders, or other documents filed or served in this matter, and all relevant correspondence, be sent to the following:

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DECLARATION OF SERVICE BY MAIL

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I, **Janie White**, declare that I am over 18 years of age, and not a party to the within cause; my business address is 50 Fremont Street, Suite 300, San Francisco, California 94105-2239. I served a true copy of the attached

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Each said envelope was then, on September 25, 1995, sealed and deposited in the mail in San Francisco, California, the county in which I am employed, with the fees thereon fully prepaid. Executed on September 25, 1995, at San Francisco, California.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

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