



# IWVWD welcomes court decision moving basin adjudication trial forward

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RIDGECREST, CA – The Indian Wells Valley Water District (District) is pleased to announce that the Court has ruled that Phase Two of the Basin Adjudication will occur in the coming months. This phase will focus on presenting scientific evidence regarding the safe yield of the basin, following Phase One, which will address Federal Reserved Rights.

This development is significant for the District and the entire region, as it will allow the Water District and other stakeholders to present their extensive research and data on the basin's safe yield. The court will thoroughly examine these scientific findings, ensuring that decisions are based on robust and accurate information. The court's review of this information underscores the District's commitment to responsible water management and the sustainability of our water resources.

"We are at a crucial juncture in our efforts to secure a sustainable water future for the Indian Wells Valley," stated Ron Kicinski, District Board President. "The setting of Phase Two is a significant step toward achieving a practical solution to our water challenges. We are confident in the science and data we will present, and we believe this trial will provide a clear path forward. Our goal is to ensure that the decisions made are based on sound scientific principles, leading to effective solutions that will benefit our community for generations to come."

As the trial approaches, the District remains dedicated to finding and implementing solutions that address our customer's water needs in a sustainable, affordable manner.