

TO: Rosedale-Rio Bravo Water Storage District Board of Directors
Agenda Item 6.a.i

FROM: Dan W. Bartel

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RE: Onyx Ranch Operations Report

Discussion:

Staff has been working to implement an interim operations plan considering the District’s developing goals and objectives on the Ranch. Specifically, staff has:

- Continued operation of conveyance system
- Staff continued with fencing projects.
- DEIR review period closed on 7/27 and comments were received from 18 individuals and entities. The CEQA team continues to prepare responses. FEIR was not completed in time for the October Board meeting.

Onyx Ranch diverted 509 AF in September. Monthly demands were down from previous years due to field transitions and low flow conditions, wells have turned on to supplement the available surface water supplies. South Fork flows downstream of Bloomfield averaged 7 cfs for the month with a peak of 8 cfs, below the long-term median. Accretions downstream of the USGS gauge averaged 2.75 cfs for the month.

