

Mr. SAYLOR. Now, Mr. Secretary, are the rights in California which you have listed the only Indian rights of which either the Bureau of Indian Affairs or the Solicitor General has any knowledge?

Mr. WEINBERG. Under the decree in *Arizona v. California*; yes.

Mr. SAYLOR. If these are perfected rights, are they inferior to the rights of the All-American Canal, the Imperial Valley Irrigation District, the Coachella Valley Irrigation District, the Metropolitan Water District of San Diego, and the Metropolitan Water District of Los Angeles?

Mr. WEINBERG. Congressman Saylor, the Indian rights in California are present perfected rights. There are other present perfected rights in California also. The Imperial Irrigation District has, to a considerable degree, present perfected rights. The Metropolitan Water District does not.

Mr. SAYLOR. If the committee decides that the 4.4 allocation to California is the total allocation to which that State is entitled, will the rights of the Indians be required to come out of California's 4.4?

Mr. WEINBERG. Yes, Congressman Saylor, with one exception: In the event of an extremely severe shortage so that there is only water for present perfected rights, present perfected rights are then met in the order of their priority without regard to State allocations. But with this exception, yes, they will be charged to the California allocation.

Mr. SAYLOR. In view of the fact that you have stated that there is only one or two irrigation districts in California which have present perfected rights on the river, does anybody in the Bureau of Reclamation believe the flow of the river will ever be at such a stage that there will not be sufficient waters to take care of all of the present perfected rights, be they Indian or irrigation district?

Mr. DOMINY. No, sir.

Mr. SAYLOR. Does the same conclusion hold for the present perfected rights of the Indians in Arizona and the present perfected irrigation rights in Arizona?

Mr. DOMINY. Yes, sir.

Mr. SAYLOR. In view of the fact that there is an Indian tribe in Nevada with a present perfected right, what would its effect be on the project which this committee authorized last year authorizing the diversion of water from Lake Mead for the benefit of metropolitan Las Vegas?

Mr. DOMINY. The estimated consumptive use for that Indian reservation is only 7,756 acre-feet and would be insignificant in terms of overall water supply.

Mr. SAYLOR. In view of the surveys that are being made for pumped storage, is it your conclusion, Mr. Secretary, that there is only one site which you are still seriously considering for pumped storage?

Secretary UDALL. No, Congressman, the engineers tell me there are several promising sites. Naturally an ideal pump storage site is where there already exists a reservoir because you need a body of water to pump from. The other requirement is a nearby high bluff that has a natural cachement basin on it or one can be built there. These are the two essential ingredients for a pump storage project, so that you can lift the water and drop it great distances. There are several promising sites.