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The Honorable Jared Huffman Chair, Subcommittee on Water, Oceans, and Wildlife U.S. House Committee on Natural Resources 1324 Longworth House Office Building Washington, DC 20515

Chairman Huffman, Ranking Member Bentz, and members of the Subcommittee:

My name is Travis J. Lingenfelter. I am the District 1 County Supervisor within the County of Mohave, Arizona. Thank you for the opportunity to provide written testimony on behalf of the County of Mohave on H.R. 7633, the <u>Hualapai</u> <u>Tribe Water Rights Settlement Act of 2022</u>.

The County of Mohave, Arizona, strongly supports this important legislation. As the elected District I County Supervisor from Mohave County, I ask you to vote in favor of the <u>"Hualapai Tribe Water Rights Settlement Act of 2022"</u> (HR 7633 and S 4104). The Hualapai Tribe is geographically located within Mohave County- District 1 and I have a strong partnership with the tribal council as their elected Mohave County Supervisor. This legislation represents countless hours of work. The stakeholders representing the Tribe, the Federal Government, Arizona's StateGovernment, the County of Mohave, and many others worked together to find common ground and compromises for the final language in this legislation. Most importantly, by providing a means for the Hualapai Tribe to codify its rightful allocation of Colorado River Water, this legislation will provide a vital path towards cultural sustainability and economic viability for the Hualapai Tribe. I ask you to please lend your support and your vote to passing HR 7633 and S 4104.

Respectfully Submitted,

County Supervisor - District **1** County of Mohave, Arizona

cc: Chairman Raul M. Grijalva