

Summary of Minutes:

Minute 316

The Minute was signed on April 16, 2010 and provides, among other items related to delivery and accounting, that the U.S., Mexico, and non-governmental organizations will provide water to the Cienega de Santa Clara (CSC) during the Yuma Desalting Plant (YDP) pilot run. Each group committed to providing 10,000 AF over the course of the pilot run. Also, it considers monitoring of the CSC and Mexico accepts the Main Outlet Drain Extension (MODE) as a temporary point of delivery.

Minute 317

In 2010, Minute 317 was signed, establishing a framework and organization for formal negotiations. It also provides a process to consider environmental issues which may include those related to the YPD and the CSC.

Minute 318

In April 2010, an earthquake in the Mexicali Valley damaged great portions of Irrigation District (ID) 014's infrastructure, causing Mexico to not be able to use its full 1.5 MAF water treaty entitlement. Consequently in the same year, Minute 318 was established to allow a pilot program for Mexico to store its unused water in Lake Mead. The total maximum authorized amount was 260,000 AF through 2013.

Minute 319

Signed in November 2012, Minute 319 is an agreement between the U.S. and Mexico as part of the 1944 Water Treaty between the two countries. This Minute provides interim approaches, lasting through 2017, to resolving shared Colorado River issues including: managing shortages in the Colorado River system, managing surplus conditions, providing operational flexibility and storage in U.S. reservoirs for Mexico's Colorado River supply, maintaining salinity standards, encouraging water conservation and binational water development projects, providing for environmental benefits in the Colorado River delta region of Mexico.

The [International Boundary and Water Commission's website](#) contains the complete documents for each of the Minutes.