

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE DISTRICT OF NEW MEXICO**

WILDEARTH GUARDIANS,	)	
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Plaintiff,	)	Case No. 1:22-cv-00914-GJF-JMR
	)	
v.	)	
	)	
UNITED STATES FISH AND WILDLIFE	)	
SERVICE, UNITED STATES BUREAU OF	)	
RECLAMATION,	)	
	)	
Federal Defendants,	)	
	)	
and	)	
	)	
MIDDLE RIO GRANDE CONSERVANCY	)	
DISTRICT,	)	
	)	
Intervenor-Defendant.	)	
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**JOINT MOTION TO APPROVE SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT AND DISMISS CASE**

Plaintiff WildEarth Guardians, Federal Defendants U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and U.S. Bureau of Reclamation, and Intervenor-Defendant Middle Rio Grande Conservancy District respectfully request that the Court approve the attached Settlement Agreement and, pursuant to Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 41, dismiss this action with prejudice, retaining jurisdiction only to oversee compliance with the Settlement Agreement.

The basis and terms for the Settlement Agreement are set forth in the Agreement. A proposed form of order accompanies this Joint Motion.

Respectfully submitted on this 19th day of November 2024.

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