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SUBJECT: ECS – New Mexico Integrated Water Management Handbook

Purpose: To distribute Agronomy Technical Note No. 76.

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Filing Instructions: Maintained on web page.

Irrigation water management is an integral part of a complete farm management program of soil, water, air, plant, and animal resources. The New Mexico Integrated Water Management Handbook is intended to be user friendly for use by planners with producers. It is now available from the New Mexico NRCS website: <http://www.nm.nrcs.usda.gov/technical/tech-notes/agro.html>. It provides guidance on “how-to” evaluate and understand site-specific field conditions. This will enable an increased understanding needed to evaluate and implement alternative best management practices for irrigation water management. The Handbook will assist water users in reducing water quantities and energy, lowering costs for crop production, and minimizing ground water and surface water contamination, towards a more economical, sustainable, and producer-acceptable farming enterprise. Considering how the farm fits into broader watershed management is also essential to problem-posing and solving resource management success.

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