Deal reached in management of Truckee River

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Water officials have finalized a deal regarding the Truckee River after decadeslong disputes over how the waters should be managed.

The *Reno Gazette-Journal* reports Truckee Meadows Water Authority directors have agreed to sell up to 2,750 acre-feet of water rights to the Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe. The long-pursued Truckee River Operating Agreement could now be implemented by next year.

The agreement was signed by the tribe, federal government , Nevada and California in 2008 but lawsuits have stalled its progress.

The sale of the water rights will allow the dismissal of the remaining lawsuits, including a suit filed in 1973 against the Truckee-Carson Irrigation District.

The agreement has been designed to permanently replace an inflexible water system and will allow more storage in upstream reservoirs for use during drought.