

Chapter 6. Consultation and Coordination

6.1 Scoping/Public Involvement

During the public scoping phase of the Project, Reclamation and NMISC sought input from the public and interested organizations and agencies. EA's have no required formal scoping period. The informal period for this scoping process extended from September 11, 2007 to November 30, 2007. In 2007, three public scoping meetings were held in potentially affected communities in eastern New Mexico. The meeting dates, locations, and times were:

- September 18, Logan Public School, 301 N. 2nd Street, Logan, New Mexico;
- September 19, Clovis-Carver Public Library, 701 N. Main Street, Clovis, New Mexico; and
- September 20, Portales Public Library, 218 South Avenue B, Portales, New Mexico.

6.2 Agencies, Organizations, and Individuals Consulted

Table 24 lists the Pueblo and tribal governments that were consulted in preparing this EA. On September 11, 2007, Reclamation sent a letter inviting tribes to participate in the NEPA process, and provided the Project description. A letter was received from the Navajo Nation on November 30, 2007, stating that the Project Area is outside of the Navajo Aboriginal Lands and will not impact any Navajo traditional cultural properties or historical properties. No other Tribes or Pueblos responded. In January 2008, formal tribal consultation letters were sent out to the Tribes and Pueblos listed in Table 24; no responses have been received.

Table 24. Pueblo and Tribal Governments Consulted.

Pueblo and Tribal Governments	
Pueblo of Isleta	Pueblo of Sandia
Pueblo of Laguna	Jicarilla Apache Nation
Mescalero Apache Tribe	Ysleta del Sur Pueblo
Comanche Indian Tribe	Navajo Nation
Kiowa Tribe of Oklahoma	Pueblo of Zia
Fort Sill Apache Tribe of Oklahoma	Comanche Tribal Business Committee
Pueblo of Acoma	Kiowa Business Committee
Pueblo of Santa Ana	

Table 25 lists the organizations, agencies, and groups that were consulted in preparing this EA. On September 11, 2007, Reclamation sent a letter inviting agencies to participate in the NEPA process, and provided the Project description. A response letter from the NMDGF was received

on October 5, 2007 declining the invitation to participate as a cooperating agency in the NEPA process. No other agency response letters were received.

Table 25. Organizations, Agencies, and Groups Consulted.

Agencies, Local Governments, Organizations, and Groups	
U.S. Bureau of Reclamation	Roosevelt County
U.S. Army Corps of Engineers	Cannon Air Force Base
U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service	City of Clovis
U.S. Bureau of Land Management	Town of Elida
New Mexico Department of Game and Fish	Village of Grady
New Mexico Environment Department	Village of Melrose
New Mexico State Historic Preservation Office	City of Portales
New Mexico Interstate Stream Commission	City of Texico
New Mexico Department of Transportation New Mexico State Parks	New Mexico American Water
Quay County	Canadian River Municipal Water Authority
Curry County	

Hardcopy and digital Project newsletters were sent in September 2007 and August 2008 to the agencies listed in Table 25, as well as individuals who asked to be added to the mailing list. Agencies were contacted via email and phone throughout the EA drafting process.

NMISC provided a list of 18 private Ute Reservoir boat dock owners. The Project team attempted to contact all 18 owners, and successfully reached eight individuals in August 2009. Boat dock owners were asked about their use of the property (i.e., how long they owned the lakefront property and how many weeks per year they resided at the property), their awareness and understanding of the Project, and concerns of how the Proposed Action could potentially affect them. Permanent residences for boat dock owners—if different from the Ute Reservoir property location—also were documented.

Chapter 7. List of Preparers

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ERO Resources Corporation		
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