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MEMORANDUM

To: Downstream Ad hoc Group (List Attached)
From: Barry D. Gold, Acting Chief
Subject: Draft Response to NRC Report Findings and Recommendations

On December 3, 1999, we received the final copy of the National Research Council report, *"Downstream: Adaptive Management of Glen Canyon Dam and the Colorado River Ecosystem."* That report has been distributed and each of you should have a copy. If not, please contact Serena by e-mail (smankiller@flagmail.wr.usgs.gov) or call 520/556-7094 and she will mail one to you.

The final report was changed slightly from the prepublication copy that was distributed earlier.

Consistent with the motion¹ made at the July AMWG meeting, and based on the final published report, GCMRC is developing a draft "Response to the NRC Report Findings and Recommendations" document. This will be distributed to you no later than the January 20, 2000, AMWG meeting for your review and input.

At the January AMWG meeting, I would like to discuss the process we will use for finalizing this document and sending it as a memo to Steve Magnussen, the Secretary's designee, with a copy to Jim Wescoat, the Chairman of the NRC committee. I propose the following process:

January 20, 2000	Draft "Response to the NRC Report Findings and Recommendations" document provided to the entire AMWG and the Downstream Ad hoc Group
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¹"That the Center take a first look at all the recommendations in the report, interface with an Ad hoc group to be formed and ultimately that Ad hoc group will bring it to the entire AMWG for further discussion and clarification."

- February 11, 2000 Downstream Ad hoc Group to provide comments on the Draft document to GCMRC, preferably by e-mail.
- February 25, 2000 GCMRC sends to the Downstream Ad hoc group a revised Draft document and a response to comments table.
- March 6 - 10, 2000 Downstream Ad hoc group meets this week, if needed, to finalize Draft document to send to the full AMWG for consideration at the April 5 AMWG meeting
- March 17, 2000 Final Draft "Response to the NRC Report Findings and Recommendations" document mailed to the AMWG for consideration at the April 5 AMWG meeting
- April 5, 2000 Final Draft "Response to the NRC Report Findings and Recommendations" discussed at the April 5 AMWG meeting.

Outcome: A motion at the April AMWG meeting "To send the final 'Response to the NRC Report Findings and Recommendations' document to the Secretary's designee as an AMWG recommendation."

cc: Adaptive Management Work Group