Subject: Bighorn River Dam and Reservoir Working Group Meeting

On August 23, 2007, the Bureau of Reclamation will be hosting the fourth meeting of the Bighorn River System, Long-Term Issues Working Group (Group) at the Montana State University – Downtown Campus in Billings, Montana. A draft meeting agenda is included at the end of this message. Your participation is welcome and would be greatly appreciated.

Topics will include:

- Presentation on General Indian Water Right Compact Processes
- Presentation on the Yellowstone River Compact
- Updates on Technical Team Activities
- Group Process & Products

Information pertaining to previous meeting discussions and topics is available on our Website at http://www.usbr.gov/gp/mtao/ for your review.

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Sincerely,

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Meeting outcomes
1) Increased knowledge of State and Tribal Compacts
2) Clarification of authorizations
3) Understand the process and products of the group
4) Refinement of charter and problem statements.

9:00 a.m. Welcome and introductions (Beck, Duberstein)
Overview
- Review agenda and ground rules
- Summary of previous meetings
- Why we’re here

9:30 NPS and USBR Project Authorizations, Project Purposes (Cook, Duberstein)

9:45 General Indian Water Right Compact Processes (Chaffin)

10:30 Break

10:45 Explanation of the Yellowstone River Compact (Chaffin)

11:30 Lunch – on your own

12:30 Technical Activities
- River degradation (Frazer)
- Flood pool analysis (Aycock)
- Additional information needs: Water Conservation, Recreation, Economics

2:00 Break

2:15 Where are we going?
- Group Process & Products (Duberstein)
- Purpose & Problem Statements (All, Beck)

2:45 Meeting Wrap Up
- Meeting Review
- Next Meeting

3:00 Adjourn
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Location Map