§ 429.9 What should I do before filing an application?

Before filing an application, it is important that you contact the local Reclamation office to discuss your proposed use. This discussion can help expedite your application process.

§ 429.10 What application form should I use?

You must use one of the following application forms depending on the nature of your requested use:

(a) Use SF 299 to request a use authorization for the placement, construction, and use of energy, transportation, water, or telecommunication systems and facilities on or across all Federal property including Reclamation land, facilities, or waterbodies. Examples of such uses are:

1. Canals;
2. Communication towers;
3. Fiber-optics cable;
4. Pipelines;
5. Roads;
6. Telephone lines; and
7. Utilities and utility corridors.

(b) Use Form 7–2540 to request any other type of use authorization. Examples of such uses are:

1. Commercial filming and photography;
2. Commercial guiding and outfitting;
3. Commercial or organized sporting events;
§ 429.15 Is Reclamation required to issue a use authorization?

No. The issuance of a use authorization is at Reclamation’s discretion. At a minimum, the criteria listed at § 429.14 must be considered prior to issuance of any use authorizations. Not all requests will be authorized. If issued, Reclamation will provide only the least estate, right, or possessory interest needed to accommodate the approved use.