

BOULDER DAM TO SAVE ARIZONA IN POWER SHORTAGE

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Reclamation Bureau Will
Build a Transmission
Line to Phoenix

WASHINGTON, Feb. 9. (UP)
—The Boulder canyon project, construction of which was valiantly fought for nearly twenty years by the state of Arizona, may be the means of averting a catastrophe in the state's prosperous Salt River valley if plans announced today by Secretary of Interior Harold Ickes materialize.

Ickes announced that a serious power shortage impends in the Phoenix area as a result of a severe water shortage in central Arizona, and that a tentative agreement had been reached with the Salt River Valley Water Users' Association and the Central Arizona Light & Power Company whereby Boulder dam power would be brought to the rescue.

The plan calls for construction, by the bureau of reclamation, of a transmission line from Parker Dam to Phoenix, over which Boulder dam power would be carried into the valley with the aid of the Metropolitan Water District's line from the dam to Parker.

The government will also complete the power house at Parker and install three large generators as a permanent source of power for Phoenix.

The total estimated cost of the Parker dam power development would be \$9,456,000, and the total revenues from the sale at Parker would be \$920,000.

The Parker dam and potential power development was made possible by construction of the Boulder dam project, which Arizona has never officially recognized.