

OPPOSE HUGE DAM PROJECT

Arizona Asks Supreme Court to Halt the Proceedings

WASHINGTON — (AP) — Arizona will fight in the supreme court Monday to prevent the construction of the Boulder canyon dam on the Colorado river, for which bids were opened recently.

California, Nevada, Utah, New Mexico, Colorado and Wyoming, as parties to a compact for the construction of the dam, have joined Secretary Wilbur in urging the court dismiss the Arizona suit.

Asserting the act of congress for construction of the dam is unconstitutional because the state would be deprived of water to which it is entitled, Arizona asked the supreme court to declare the Colorado river compact and the Boulder canyon project act invalid and to prohibit Secretary Wilbur and the states from proceeding.

Secretary Wilbur challenged the proceedings on the ground that the United States had not been made a defendant but was an indispensable party.

Insisting that both the Colorado river compact and the Boulder canyon act are constitutional, the motions to dismiss stated that Arizona had refused to agree to any equitable apportionment of the water.