MEMORANDUM

To:       All Interested Persons, Organizations, and Agencies

From:    Randy N. Chandler
               Acting Area Manager

Subject: Notice of Public Scoping Period Regarding Preparation of an Environmental Assessment (EA) on a Proposed Fish Barrier in Redfield Canyon, Graham County, Arizona (Action by November 10, 2010)

Attached is a scoping notice summarizing a proposal to construct a fish barrier in Redfield Canyon. The proposed action is intended to protect existing and newly reintroduced threatened and endangered fish species that occupy upper portions of the Redfield Canyon drainage.

During this initial scoping phase, the Bureau of Reclamation is soliciting input from the interested public to aid in the identification of key environmental issues related to the proposal that should be addressed in an upcoming EA. After the public scoping period has ended, Reclamation will prepare an EA to evaluate the potential environmental consequences of the proposed project.

Comments concerning the proposal should be submitted to Mr. John McGlothlen, Bureau of Reclamation, 6150 West Thunderbird Road, Glendale, Arizona 85306-4001. Facsimiles and emails may be sent in accordance with instructions provided in the attached notice. Please include your full name and address and project title (Redfield Canyon Fish Barrier) with your comments. For your comments to be considered in the EA, they should be submitted no later than November 10, 2010.

For further information regarding this project, please contact Mr. McGlothlen at 623-773-6256 (email: jmcfie@usbr.gov).

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