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1. Scope

This section sets forth the scope, authority, and purpose of the Reclamation Safety and Health Standards. The standards prescribe the safety and health requirements for all Bureau of Reclamation (Reclamation) activities and operations. All contracts or agreements for performance of work on Reclamation facilities must incorporate provisions for compliance with these standards. These standards are consistent with the health and safety standards prevalent in industry, the Occupational Safety and Health Act of 1970 (Public Law 91-596), and Department of the Interior regulations.

2. Authority


3. Purpose

The purpose of these standards is to help Reclamation personnel, contractors, and visitors to understand and comply with the safety and health safety requirements for operations performed or controlled by Reclamation.

4. General Requirements

These standards are incorporated into the Reclamation Manual by reference through Reclamation Manual Directive and Standard, Occupational Safety and Health – General (SAF 01-01), paragraph 6.(D), under deviations authorized by the Commissioner and dated December 22, 2009, and June 28, 2019, respectively.

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