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Chapter 6. Consultation and Coordination

The Service was notified regarding the proposed action, and protected species potentially present in the project area were identified. The Pueblo of Sandia and NMED were consulted regarding CWA Section 401 compliance. Reclamation will prepare a Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plan for the project and submit a Notice of Intent to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency for CWA Section 402 compliance. The ACOE was consulted regarding CWA Section 404 permitting and compliance. The NMDG&F “New Mexico Species of Concern” website (NMDG&F 2005) was consulted to determine if any State-protected animal species could potentially occur in the project area on non-Pueblo lands. The New Mexico rare plants website (NMRPTC 1999) was consulted to determine if any State-protected plant species might occur in the project area on non-Pueblo lands. Section 106 consultation with the New Mexico SHPO was handled under the terms of a Programmatic Agreement, which sets out guidelines for the consultation process regarding Middle Rio Grande river maintenance projects. Native American tribes were consulted for the Programmatic Agreement. The Bureau of Indian Affairs was also consulted by Reclamation on behalf of Native American tribes. A copy of this Programmatic Agreement is contained in Appendix A. Reclamation is committed to coordinating with the MRGCD throughout construction to ensure that the proposed action does not affect MRGCD activities.

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