

To: AMWG Members  
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Subject: Program Formulation Process

At the AMWG meeting on September 10 and 11, Reclamation was requested to provide the members a description of the program formulation process they go through to get funding approved for the Glen Canyon environmental work. Attached is a chart showing the chronology of the process for FY 1999 and FY 2000. As discussed at the meeting, the FY 1999 budget is in the final stages of completion. We have some time to make impacts to the internal portions of the budget but the total funds available are set. The Technical Work Group (TWG) and the Grand Canyon Monitoring and Research Center (CENTER) are working hard on the internal portions to come to final program costs.

For FY 2000, Reclamation is in the process of preparing the budgets. The attached calendar shows the Preliminary FY 2000 BOR Work Program due to the Colorado River Energy Distributors (CREDA) by mid April and the Commissioner's final budget to the Assistant Secretary for Water and Science by mid May. This means the TWG and AMWG need to have the total amount somewhat firm to allow Reclamation to move the budget process forward. The details of the FY 2000 budget can be worked on until sometime in the winter of 1998.

Reclamation will be prepared to answer any questions at the meetings in January.