

**Glen Canyon Dam Adaptive Management Work Group
Agenda Item Information
March 7-8, 2006**

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Progress on Programmatic Agreement (PA) Signatory Issue

Action Requested

√ Information item only; we will answer questions but no action is requested.

Presenter

Mike Berry, Regional Archaeologist, Bureau of Reclamation

Previous Action Taken

- By AMWG:
- By TWG:
- By an Ad Hoc Group:
- Other:

Relevant Science

√ There has been no relevant research or monitoring on this subject.

Background Information

√ I will bring detailed handouts to the meeting, plus a digital file of those handouts for posting on the website. In lieu of handouts to be included in the agenda packet, the following is a synopsis or outline of my presentation.

The Advisory Council on Historic Preservation did not concur with Reclamation's recommendation that CREDA, Western, and BIA be added as signatories to the PA for cultural resources at this time. ACHP recommends that substantive amendments to the PA be authored and approved by the current PA signatories prior to the addition of new signatories.

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Glen Canyon and Grand Canyon Cultural Resource Treatment Plan

Action Requested

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Presenter

Mike Berry, Regional Archaeologist, Bureau of Reclamation
Lisa Leap, Archaeologist, Grand Canyon National Park

Previous Action Taken

- By AMWG:
- By TWG:
- By an Ad Hoc Group:
- Other:

Relevant Science

√ The following describes the relevant research or monitoring on this subject:
The extant data on the prehistory and history of the Colorado River corridor have been synthesized in order to generate research questions that tier off Fairley's 2004 research design. These questions will be applied to the interpretation of individual historic properties during the design and implementation of treatment plans for Glen and Grand Canyons.

Background Information

√ The following is a synopsis of my presentation:
Reclamation has contracted for the development of two treatment plans in compliance with NHPA, section 106. The Glen Canyon reach treatment plan is being developed under a cooperative agreement with the Navajo Nation Archaeological Department and a Cooperative Ecosystem Studies Units (CESU) agreement with Northern Arizona University. NNAD has completed all field work and submitted a Phase I report.

The Grand Canyon treatment plan will be accomplished under a CESU agreement with Utah State University and the Zuni Cultural Resource Enterprise. The pre-field data synthesis is near completion with field work scheduled to begin in March 2006. National Park Service personnel will assist the USU/ZCRE team with logistics.

In addition, NPS and the Museum of Northern Arizona are undertaking a similar endeavor, with non-AMP funds, for ten sites in Grand Canyon. They have agreed to work with BOR and USU/ZCRE to ensure the data collection at the ten sites is similar in methodology to the USU/ZCRE efforts.

Programmatic Agreement Signatory Status

- **History**

- 2004: Letter to all current signatories requesting comment on the addition of CREDA, Western and BIA as signatories to the PA.
- 2004: Responses from ACHP, Arizona SHPO, NPS and Hopi questioning the addition.
- 2005: Letter to all signatories responding point-by-point to questions with new signature page requesting signature and concurrence. Only CREDA, Western, BIA and Zuni signed and returned the PA signature page. Email responses from ACHP and Arizona SHPO asserted that the PA would have to be rewritten prior to signatory additions. They do not object to the addition of CREDA, Western and BIA if this is accomplished. They further assert that GCMRC should also be a signatory to the new PA.
- 2005: Denver office of the ACHP is shut down as a consequence of reorganization. ACHP representative to the AMP (Marge Nowick) uses last two months of employment working with the Arizona SHPO to rewrite the PA.
- New draft PA appears to commit same errors as the original by attempting to combine NHPA and GCPA in a single document. It also incorporates GCMRC as a signatory without requesting participation.

Programmatic Agreement Signatory Status

- Options
 - Rewrite the PA to cover section NHPA 106 and GCPA compliance and repeat the signatory process with the new additions.
 - Await the recommendations of the GLCA and GRCA treatment plans and:
 - Enter into and MOA for treatment with Arizona SHPO, and NPS to implement treatment and satisfy NHPA section 106 requirements. Terminate the current PA.
 - Develop a new PA restricted to long-term monitoring under GCPA.
 - Consider additional options in consultation with NPS and Arizona SHPO

GLCA Treatment Plan

- 2004: Cooperative Agreement with NNAD
 - 100K Obligated
- 2005: Field work completed
 - Archaeological assessment of significance completed and submitted to PA group for review
- 2006: Geomorphological assessment submitted for review.
- 2006: Treatment recommendations in progress. Treatment plan will include sufficient data for an IGCE for FY08 treatment implementation budget request.
- FY07: budget request will reflect necessary funding for Native American, NPS and Arizona SHPO consultation.

GRCA Treatment Plan

- 2005: CESU cooperative agreement with USU.
 - 250K obligated for FY05 AMWG recommendation.
 - 155K obligated for FY06 250K AMWG recommendation.
 - Remainder held in abeyance if defined tasks cannot be accomplished.
 - ZCRE to accomplish archaeological requirements under subcontract with USU.
 - NPS to accomplish logistic assistance under subcontract with USU.
- 2006: Preliminary in-depth assessment of extant GIS, map, and database information completed by ZCRE.
- 2006: Preliminary assessment of geomorphological models completed by USU.
- First field work scheduled for March 2006.
- Field work and first drafts of recommended treatment plans to be completed by January 1, 2007.
- Treatment plan will include sufficient data for an IGCE for FY08 treatment implementation budget request.
- FY07: budget request will reflect necessary funding for Native American, NPS and Arizona SHPO consultation.

NPS Mitigation Project for 10 Threatened Sites

- Testing, Excavation, Interpretation and Stabilization of 10 National Register eligible properties (B:15:138, C:02:096, C:13:010, C:13:070, C:13:099, C:13:100, C:13:291, C:13:347, C:13:371, and G:03:020) located along the Colorado River corridor.
- Monitoring and consultation background.
- Preservation efforts.
- Monitor observations of sediment depletion and visitation.
- Inherent overlap between Reclamation and NPS NHPA responsibilities.
- GRCA funding source.
- Review schedule.
- Tribal participation.
- Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act.