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MEMORANDUM

To: Members and Alternates
Glen Canyon Dam Adaptive Management Work Group

From: P. Lynn Scarlett *P2 S*
Deputy Secretary

Subject: Response to Glen Canyon Dam Adaptive Management Work Group Report and Recommendation

I received the Glen Canyon Dam Adaptive Management Work Group (AMWG) recommendation from the May 22-23, 2008, meeting that took place in Phoenix, Arizona. The AMWG submitted one recommendation to the Secretary of the Interior for his consideration:

AMWG Recommendation: AMWG recommends to the Secretary of the Interior to direct DOI agencies, in collaboration with the tribes, to commit to establish, beginning in FY09, a tribal liaison position and its functions that will represent tribal concerns and interests in the Glen Canyon Dam Adaptive Management Program.

This recommendation was considered by the appropriate Departmental officials. The following provides a response on behalf of the Secretary to that recommendation:

DOI Response: Department of the Interior agencies, and other Federal agencies, take seriously their responsibilities to maintain good communications with, and be responsive to, the tribes participating in the Glen Canyon Dam Adaptive Management Program. We understand that the Regional Directors of the Department agencies in the Glen Canyon Dam Adaptive Management Program are taking the lead to interact with the participating tribes and to report their findings back to the AMWG. Before making a final decision on this recommendation, the Department looks forward to receiving further recommendations from AMWG on the proposed duties of the tribal liaison, how the liaison would interact with tribal and federal agency representatives to the adaptive management program, where the position would be housed, and the funding source(s) that would support the position.

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