Adaptive management Work Group to Meet in Phoenix, Ariz., on Colorado River Topics

The Bureau of Reclamation announced today that the Adaptive Management Work Group will meet on August 24 - 25, 2011 in Phoenix, Ariz., to address topics related to the Glen Canyon Dam Adaptive Management Program. The AMWG committee provides a forum for discussion of topics related to the operation of Glen Canyon Dam and ongoing monitoring of resource conditions downstream of the dam.

A number of agenda items will be covered during the two-day meeting including status reports for on-going work to define desired future conditions, assess species of concern, and Colorado River resource monitoring and mitigation work. Other key agenda topics include current Upper Colorado River Basin hydrology and Glen Canyon Dam operations, the proposed water year 2012 hydrograph, proposed modifications to the FY 2012 budget and work plan, and the status of current and planned Glen Canyon Dam environmental analysis documents.

The AMWG is a federal advisory committee appointed by the Secretary of the Interior with representatives from federal agencies, Colorado River Basin states, Native American Tribal governments, environmental groups, recreation interests, and contractors for federal power from Glen Canyon Dam. The Secretary receives recommendations on how to best protect downstream resources and balance river operations through the varied stakeholder interests represented by the AMWG.

The meeting will be held at the Holiday Inn and Suites Phoenix airport North, Salon A & B Conference Rooms, 1515 North 44th Street, Phoenix, Ariz. The meeting will begin on August 24 at 9:30 a.m. and conclude at 5:00 p.m. The meeting will run from 8:00 a.m. until 2:45 p.m. on August 25. For more information on the Adaptive Management Work Group meeting, please visit our website.

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