MEMORANDUM

To: Anne J. Castle
   Secretary’s Designee, Glen Canyon Dam Adaptive Management Work Group
   Assistant Secretary – Water and Science

From: Secretary

Subject: Report and Recommendations From the Glen Canyon Dam Adaptive Work Group
   Federal Advisory Committee Meeting, February 22-23, 2012

I have reviewed and considered the two documents containing the recommendations of the
Glen Canyon Dam Adaptive Management Work Group (AMWG). First, I want to convey my
sincere thanks to the AMWG for the dedication, passion, and wealth of knowledge they provide
in guiding our efforts to appropriately manage the operations of Glen Canyon Dam. Without this
important Federal Advisory Committee we would not have the breadth of input that factors into
the many complex decisions to be made, and our overall resources management would be less
effective.

As requested, I have reviewed the Desired Future Conditions (DFC) document, and recognize it
as a milestone for the Adaptive Management Program. I am directing the AMWG to utilize
these DFCs to inform and guide the AMWG’s future considerations, including advice and
recommendations to me concerning the operations of Glen Canyon Dam and other related
actions.

With respect to the report of the Socioeconomic Ad Hoc Group, I appreciate the comprehensive
nature of the program and plan proposed, and the support of the AMWG for the implementation
of these socioeconomic impact assessment studies. I am directing the interagency team from the
Department of the Interior to communicate to the AMWG the specific studies and activities that
should be prioritized for utilization as part of the ongoing National Environmental Policy Act
process to develop a Long Term Experimental and Management Plan (LTEMP) for Glen Canyon
Dam. The Technical Work Group can then identify information needs and research priorities not
addressed through the LTEMP process so that the Glen Canyon Monitoring and Research Center
can refine and develop a work plan.