

TWG

FY2013-14 BUDGET REPORT

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General Budget Process

- GCDAMP Budget Process paper May 6, 2010 and as amended March 20, 2011 (Table 1)
- Follow rules for year 2 of budget process
- Policy issues to AMWG
- Technical issues to DOI for consideration and response
- Objective: discuss final policy issues at this meeting, recommendation to SOI

Budget Background

- Knowledge Assessment (Jan)
- TWG: initial list of budget concerns
- AMWG May – focus on 2014, tabled many issues
- Revised draft budget & workplan June
- BAHG June 17
- TWG June 26, consensus budget motion (1 abstention)

Major Issues

- Budget impacted by sequestration or not – consensus was to recommend non-impacted budget for 2014
- Discussion of where money should come from for cuts
- TWG meetings vs. Webinars, facilitation cost increases
- Funding for tribal involvement in LTEMP
- Funding for an HFE in 2014 – reporting to FWS
- Technical discussions on humpback chub aggregation sampling, trout tagging for natal origins, & funding for administrative history (15-16)
- Funding: use potential sequestration cut budget to fund other projects, no changes made

BUDGET MOTION

June 26, 2013 – TWG Motion (proposed by Cliff Barrett, seconded by Jason Thiriot):

TWG recommends the changes to the Federal Fiscal Year 2013-14 Budget and Work Plan, as described in the attached Glen Canyon Dam Adaptive Management Program FY 2013-14 Bureau of Reclamation Budget without 2014 Sequestration, and that it be forwarded to AMWG for their consideration in recommending to the Secretary. TWG further forwards to AMWG for their consideration information on a budget which anticipates sequestration in 2014.

Noting one abstention, but not blocking consensus (Larry Stevens), the motion was passed by consensus.

Next Steps: 2015/16

- Knowledge Assessment (Jan)
- TWG will consider more broad technical issues and potential longer term considerations based on initial budget and science direction
- Many issues/concerns tabled in 2013, e.g. administrative history, socio-economics

Draft Budget Motion --

AMWG recommends the revised FY2013-14 Biennial Budget and Work Plan from the Bureau of Reclamation and Grand Canyon Monitoring and Research Center, as reviewed by TWG on June 26, 2013 and as revised by Reclamation and presented at the August 2013 AMWG meeting, to the Secretary of the Interior for approval.