

**Glen Canyon Dam Adaptive Management Work Group**  
**Agenda Item Information**  
**August 27-28, 2014**

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Agenda Item

Technical Work Group Chair Report

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Action Requested

✓ Information item only.

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Presenter

John Jordan, Technical Work Group Chair  
Shane Capron, Technical Work Group Vice-Chair  
Jason Thiriot, Administrative History Ad Hoc Group Chair

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Previous Action Taken

See below

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Relevant Science

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Background Information

**Administrative History Ad Hoc Group (AHAHG)**

The general purpose of the AHAHG is to collect information and create a history of the GCDAMP. The web-site [www.GCDAMP.com](http://www.GCDAMP.com) "WIKI" is a key product of the AHAHG and serves as a collaborative resource tool to aid managers and function as the "clearing-house" for the Program's historical information related to history of events, people, sites, issues etc...

At the February 2013 AMWG meeting, the following motion passed by consensus:

"AMWG accepts TWG's report on the Strategy for Development of the Administrative History of the Adaptive Management Program (SDAH, website [www.gcdamp.com](http://www.gcdamp.com)). AMWG recommends this approach to the Secretary of the Interior..."

- Decision Memorandum for the Secretary dated 10-25-2013 (Administrative History Development Strategy - **Approved** by Secretary Sally Jewell)
- Link to additional Administrative History background:  
[http://gcdamp.com/index.php?title=AHAHG\\_Background\\_Information#Background\\_Information](http://gcdamp.com/index.php?title=AHAHG_Background_Information#Background_Information)

In 2014, the BAHG recommended, and the TWG approved, budget funding for the AHAHG to develop oral histories and interviews, create on-line training "Handbook" for new AMP participants, establish a website library, institute an archival and retrieval database, as well as incorporate literature containing research, reports, legislation, court decisions, meeting minutes, and other GCDAMP related actions.

## Technical Work Group Chair Report, continued

The AHAHG is currently evaluating communication related efforts associated with the program's public outreach (POAHG) and will continue to improve and integrate web-tools/features to advance the WIKI site.

### **Budget Ad Hoc Group (BAHG)**

On April 22, 2014 Assistant Secretary Anne Castle provided guidance and direction to Reclamation and GCMRC regarding the development of a new budget and work plan. That guidance was to develop a 3-year budget and work plan rather than a 2-year budget and work plan as currently described in GCDAMP budget development guidance (AMWG, May 6, 2010). Assistant Secretary Castle also directed the TWG and AMWG to revise the May 6, 2010 budget policy to include a 3-year budget process.

The BAHG convened numerous times to review and discuss the extensive and detailed presentations and documents prepared by GCMRC in conjunction with Reclamation this year on the development of the budget and work plan. GCMRC and Reclamation provided comprehensive information with thorough explanations supporting ongoing and proposed projects. The TWG after careful review recommended approval of the FY15, 16 and 17 Budget and Work Plan to the AMWG for their review and recommendation to the Secretary. Additionally, the TWG will work with GCMRC and Reclamation to revise the May 6, 2010 budget process guidance and forward a recommendation to AMWG in 2015 as directed by the Assistant Secretary.