

Glen Canyon Dam Adaptive Management Work Group
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GCDAMP Administrative History Project Update

Purpose of Agenda Item

To increase understanding of the scope and status of the Administrative History Project.

Action Requested

Information item only; we will answer questions but no action is requested.

Presenter

Dr. Paul Hirt, Arizona State University

Previous Action Taken

N/A

Relevant Science

N/A

Summary of Presentation and Background Information

The GCDAMP was initiated in 1996 and despite consistent record documentation and retention, the administrative portion of the program has not been synthesized in a manner that allows an easy review of the progression of ideas, discussion topics, research, recommendations, decisions, and achievements over time. New TWG and AMWG members and other interested parties need concise, accessible orientation materials that provide an overview of GCDAMP, the stakeholders, and past actions the program has taken.

In late 2016, the GCDAMP Administrative History Project began and will continue for the next four years. At least thirty oral histories of key program participants will be conducted. Information from those oral interviews will be incorporated into a dedicated website and administrative history. The website will archive the oral histories and also provide access to additional research data, reports, publications, audio and video interviews of program participants, and other sources of information from the program over time. This will not be a comprehensive AMP library; rather, it will be a searchable database of the most important historical and contemporary information on the program and an archive of all the materials cited in the administrative history and the website. It shall be presented in an easily accessible and explorable web platform suitable both for experts and the general public.