

Reclamation Budget Process

Glen Canyon Dam Adaptive Management Working Group Program
February 13, 2020

Authorization and Appropriation

- Authorization: An act of Congress which permits a federal program or activity to begin or continue from year to year. It sets limits on funds that can be appropriated, but does not grant funding which must be provided by a separate congressional appropriation
- Appropriation: Permits Federal agencies to incur obligations and make payments from the Treasury



GCDAMP Authorization

Public Law 575

RECLAMATION PROJECTS AUTHORIZATION AND ADJUSTMENT ACT OF 1992

TITLE XVIII -- GRAND CANYON PROTECTION
SECTION 1801. SHORT TITLE.
This Act may be cited as the "Grand Canyon Protection Act of 1992".

SEC. 1802. PROTECTION OF GRAND CANYON NATIONAL PARK.

SEC. 1807. STUDIES NONREIMBURSABLE

... The Secretary is authorized to use funds received from the sale of electric power and energy from the Colorado River Storage Project to prepare the environmental impact statement described in section 1804, including supporting studies, and the long-term monitoring programs and activities described in section 1805, except that such funds will be treated as having been repaid and returned to the general fund of the Treasury as costs assigned to power for repayment under section 5 of the Act of April 11, 1956 (70 Stat. 170



GCDAMP Authorization

Public Law 106-377 (2000)

*Public Law 106–377 106th Congress

An Act

Making appropriations for the Departments of Veterans Affairs and Housing and Urban Development, and for sundry independent agencies, boards, commissions, corporations, and offices for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2001, and for other purposes.

Oct. 27, 2000 [H.R. 4635]

SEC. 204. (a) IN GENERAL.—For fiscal year 2001 and each fiscal year thereafter, the Secretary of the Interior shall continue funding, from power revenues, the activities of the **Glen Canyon Dam Adaptive Management Program** as authorized by section 1807 of the Grand Canyon Protection Act of 1992 (106 Stat. 4672), at not more than \$7,850,000 (October 2000 price level), adjusted in subsequent years to reflect changes in the Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers published by the Bureau of Labor Statistics of the Department of Labor.



FY20 Appropriations Act

Public Law 116-94 (HR 1865-page 148)

An Act

Making further consolidated appropriations for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2020, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

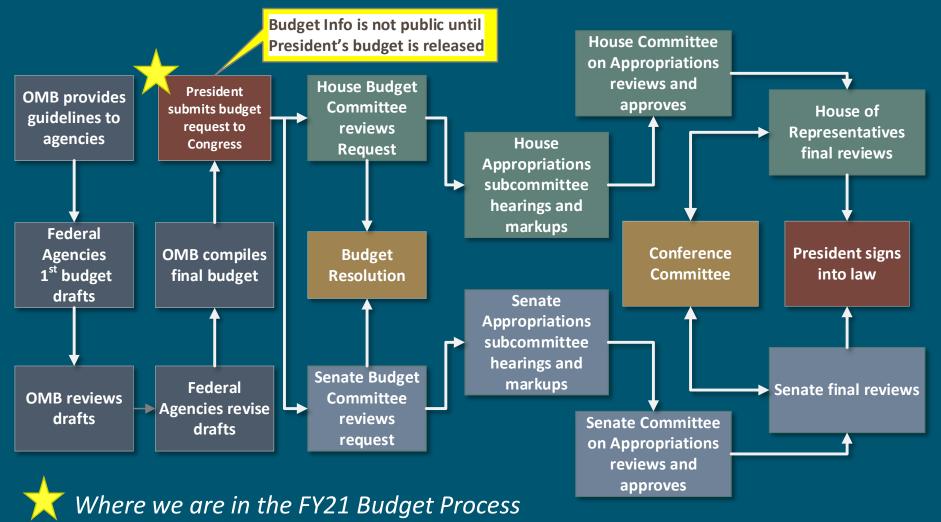
SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

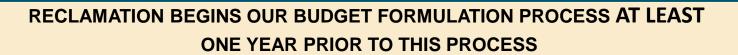
This Act may be cited as the "Further Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2020".

SEC. 307. Of the offsetting collections, including unobligated balances of such collections, in the "Department of Energy—Power Marketing Administration—Colorado River Basins Power Marketing Fund, Western Area Power Administration", \$21,400,000 shall be transferred to the "Department of Interior—Bureau of Reclamation—Upper Colorado River Basin Fund" for the Bureau of Reclamation to carry out environmental stewardship and endangered species recovery efforts.



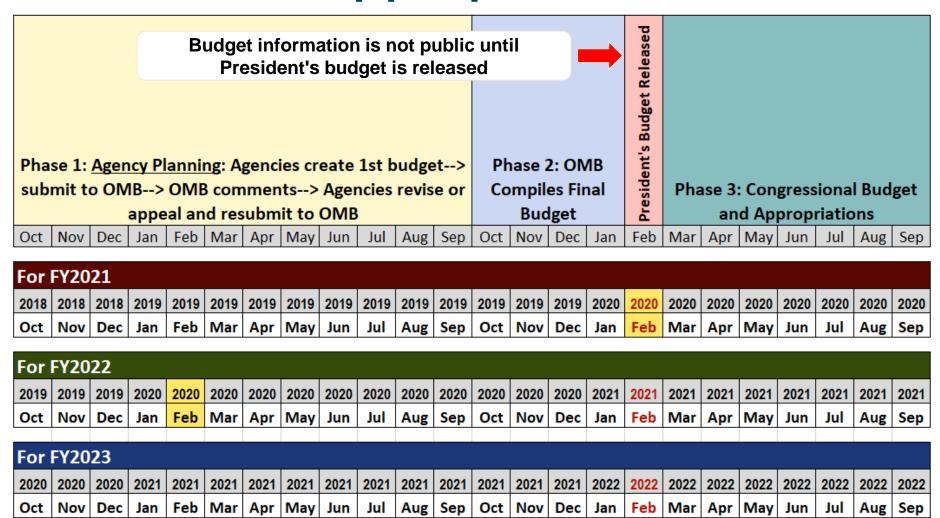
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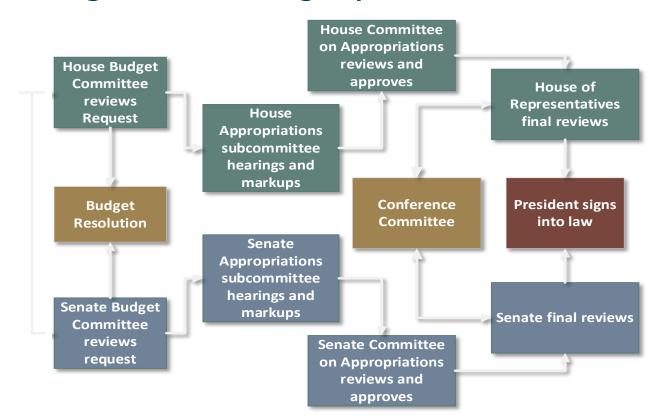
The Federal Appropriations Calendar





FY2021 Budget

- The President's Budget was released on February 10, 2020
- The President's Budget includes \$21.4 million for Colorado River activities (environmental and quality of water/consumptive use)
- The Congressional Budget process now commences:





Funding Considerations

Appropriated Dollars

- Agency requests 3 yrs in advance – next Reclamation request will be for FY22
- Funds must normally be obligated by the end of the FY
- Can be impacted by continuing resolutions

Power Revenues

- Can be more flexible than appropriated dollars on obligations requirements within FY
- Funding tied to WAPA's repayment and return obligation
- Availability fluctuates with hydropower revenues and expenses
- Usually not impacted by continuing resolutions
- incremental funding possible



QUESTIONS?

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