



Adaptive Management Work Group Appointments & Nominations

AMWG Appointments & Reappointments

Below is a summary of recent member nominations and appointments to the Glen Canyon Dam Adaptive Management Program's Adaptive Management Work Group (AMWG) and Technical Work Group (TWG). For more information on the process for nominating members, please see Attachment 1.

Committee Leadership:

- Wayne Pullan, Acting Secretary's Designee, Bureau of Reclamation
- Daniel Picard, Acting Designated Federal Officer, Bureau of Reclamation
- Christina Kalavritinos, Senior Advisor to the
Assistant Secretary for Water and Science, Department of the Interior

Newly Appointed AMWG Members

- Sinjin Eberle, Alternate, Environmental Organization, 8/14/2023
- Sheri Farag, Alternate, Federal Power Purchase Contractor, 8/14/2023
- Michelle Garrison, Member, State of Colorado, 8/14/2023
- Amy Haas, Member, State of Utah, 8/15/2023
- Michelle Kerns, Alternate, National Park Service, 8/14/2023
- Arden Kucate, Alternate, Zuni Tribe, 8/14/2023
- Gregory Mehojah, Member, Bureau of Indian Affairs, 8/15/2023
- Betsy Morgan, Alternate, State of Utah, 8/15/2023
- Bartholomew Stevens, Alternate, Bureau of Indian Affairs, 8/15/2023
- Edward Wemeytewa, Member, Zuni Tribe, 8/14/2023
- Emily Zmak, Alternate, State of Colorado, 8/14/2023

Newly Reappointed AMWG Members

- Richard Begay, Member, Navajo Nation, 8/14/2023
- David Brown, Member, Recreational Industry, 8/14/2023
- Kelly Burke, Alternate, Environmental Organization, 8/14/2023
- Laura Dye, Alternate, State of Nevada, 8/14/2023
- Stewart Koyiyumptewa, Alternate, Hopi Tribe, 8/14/2023

- Jakob Maase, Member, Hopi Tribe, 8/14/2023
- Sara Price, Member, State of Nevada, 8/14/2023
- Ben Reeder, Alternate, Recreational Industry, 8/14/2023
- Matt Rice, Member, Environmental Organization, 8/14/2023
- Erik Stanfield, Alternate, Navajo Nation, 8/14/2023
- Larry Stevens, Member, Environmental Organization, 8/14/2023

Newly Appointed TWG Members:

- William Davis, Alternate, Recreational Industry, 6/4/2023
- Rudy Keedah, Member, Bureau of Indian Affairs, 4/10/2023
- Sara Larsen, 2nd Alternate, State of Wyoming, 3/23/2023
- Brent Powers, Alternate, Navajo Nation, 3/6/2023
- Ted Rampton, Alternate, Federal Power Purchase Contractor, 6/4/2023

Attachments

- Attachment 1: Member Nomination and Appointment Process
- Attachment 2: Vacancy Report



Adaptive Management Work Group Member Nomination Process

AMWG Member Nomination Process

The Adaptive Management Work Group makes recommendations to the Secretary of the Interior to protect and improve resources downstream of Glen Canyon Dam, consistent with the Grand Canyon Protection Act of 1992 ([Public Law 102-575](#)). The AMWG is a Federal advisory committee and is also subject to the [Federal Advisory Committee Act](#). Members of the AMWG are appointed by the Secretary of the Interior and the duties, roles and functions of the AMWG are in an advisory capacity.

Under the current process, the Department of the Interior will solicit non-federal nominees via publicly issued Federal register notices. Stakeholders and the general public are invited to submit new member and alternate nominees in response to each call for Nominations notice that publishes in the Federal Register. Members will be selected based on their individual qualifications, as well as the overall need to achieve a balanced representation of viewpoints, subject matter expertise, regional knowledge, and representation of communities of interest. Individuals who are federally registered lobbyists are ineligible to serve on all FACA and non-FACA boards, committees, or councils in an individual capacity.

The most recent [Federal Register Notice](#) period was from December 28, 2022, to February 13, 2023. A complete nomination package should be submitted to Reclamation's Upper Colorado Basin Regional Director, and include the following:

- Signed nomination letter
- short biographical description
- resume

Once issued, the Federal register notice will allow at least 45-days for nomination packages to be submitted. Any packages received will be reviewed by Reclamation's Program Office for completion and then forwarded to the Department of the Interior for further review and vetting of personal information by the Department. Notification will then be issued as to whether or not the nominee has been appointed as an AMWG member. Approximate turnaround time: several months.

TWG Member Nomination Process

The Technical Work Group is a subcommittee of the AMWG. Current AMWG members can contact Reclamation's Program Office via phone or email to nominate a TWG member. A complete nomination package should include a resume or biography describing the nominee's qualifications. Any packages received will be reviewed by Reclamation's Program Office for completion and then forwarded to the Secretary's Designee for review and approval. Approximate turnaround time: a couple weeks.

Frequently Asked Questions

How long is an AMWG member term?

AMWG member terms are now 3 years, with alternate end dates being tied to the primary member's term. For example, if a primary member is in place for 1.5 years and a new alternate is appointed, the alternate will only have 1.5 years on their term because they will have the same end date as the primary.

I am an AMWG member, when does my term expire?

Current members should refer to their appointment letters for their term start and end dates. If you have questions regarding specific member term dates, please contact the Program Office at bor-sha-ucr-gcdamp@usbr.gov.

TWG member terms are indefinite.

For State representatives, can a Governor's designee nominate an AMWG member?

In general, State nominees must be nominated directly by the State Governor. However, if a designee can provide or reference documentation that describes the delegated authorities granted to the designee to make such an appointment, the Department may consider the designee's nomination valid. Please contact the Program Office to further discuss options.

There are a lot of people on this committee! Which stakeholders do AMWG members represent?

The AMWG is made up of a diverse group of 25 stakeholders from Federal, State, and Tribal governments; contractors who purchase power from Glen Canyon Dam; and environmental and recreational organizations. Membership is based on direction provided by Congress via the Grand Canyon Protection Act and is formalized by the [AMWG Charter](#) as follows:

- a. Secretary's Designee, who will serve as Chairperson for the AMWG.
- b. One representative each from the following entities:
 - (1) The Secretary of Energy (Western Area Power Administration)
 - (2) Arizona Game and Fish Department
 - (3) Hopi Tribe
 - (4) Hualapai Tribe
 - (5) Navajo Nation
 - (6) San Juan Southern Paiute Tribe
 - (7) Southern Paiute Consortium
 - (8) Pueblo of Zuni
- c. One representative each from the Governors from the seven basin States:
 - (1) Arizona
 - (2) California
 - (3) Colorado
 - (4) Nevada
 - (5) New Mexico
 - (6) Utah
 - (7) Wyoming

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- d. Representatives each from the general public as follows:
 - (1) Two from environmental organizations
 - (2) Two from the recreation industry
 - (3) Two from contractors who purchase Federal power from Glen Canyon Powerplant
- e. One representative from each of the following DOI agencies as ex-officio non-voting members:
 - (1) Bureau of Reclamation
 - (2) Bureau of Indian Affairs
 - (3) U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service
 - (4) National Park Service

Glen Canyon Dam Adaptive Management Work Group

Committee Vacancy Report August 2023

Designated Federal Officer: Daniel Picard

Group Federal Officer: Jill Nagode

Decision Maker: Secretary of the Interior

Bureau	Committee Name	Authority	Term Length	Membership Criteria	Member	Interest Represented	Special Gov't Employee	Regular Govt. Employee	Term Begin Date	Term End Date
BOR	Glen Canyon Dam Adaptive Management Work Group	Pub. L. 102-575, Grand Canyon Protection Act.	Staggered 3 yrs	Federal Agency	Daniel Picard Kathleen Callister	Bureau of Reclamation	No No	Yes Yes	07/10/2015 02/16/2016	06/17/2025 06/17/2025
				Federal Agency	Gregory Mehojah Bartholomew Stevens	Bureau of Indian Affairs	No No	Yes Yes	08/15/2023 08/15/2023	08/15/2026 08/15/2026
				Federal Agency	Edward Keable Michelle Kerns	National Park Service	No No	Yes Yes	01/25/2022 08/14/2023	01/25/2025 01/25/2025
				Federal Agency	Heather Whitlaw VACANT	U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service	No No	Yes Yes	01/12/2023 *****	01/12/2026 *****
				Federal Agency	Brian Sadler Shane Capron	Western Area Power Administration	No No	Yes Yes	01/12/2023 01/12/2023	01/12/2026 01/12/2026
				Cooperating Agency	Julie Carter Clayton Crowder	Arizona Game & Fish Department	No No	No No	01/25/2022 01/25/2022	01/25/2025 01/25/2025
				Indian Tribe	Daniel Bullets VACANT	Southern Paiute Consortium	No No	No No	01/25/2022 *****	01/25/2025 *****
				Indian Tribe	Martina Dawley Carrie Cannon	Hualapai Tribe	No No	No No	01/12/2023 01/12/2023	01/12/2026 01/12/2026
				Indian Tribe	Edward Wemytewa Arden Kucate	Pueblo of Zuni	No No	No No	8/14/2023 8/14/2023	08/14/2026 08/14/2026
				Indian Tribe	Jakob Maase Stewart Koyiyumptewa	Hopi Tribe	No No	No No	08/14/2020 08/14/2020	08/14/2026 08/14/2026
				Indian Tribe	Richard Begay Erik Stanfield	Navajo Nation	No No	No No	08/14/2020 01/25/2022	08/14/2026 08/14/2026
				Basin State	Clint Chandler Kristen Johnson	State of Arizona	No No	No No	08/20/2018 01/25/2022	01/25/2025 01/25/2025
				Basin State	Jessica Neuwerth Shana Rapoport	State of California	No No	No No	01/12/2023 01/12/2023	01/12/2026 01/12/2026
				Basin State	Michelle Garrison Emily Zmak	State of Colorado	No No	No No	08/14/2023 08/14/2023	08/14/2026 08/14/2026
				Basin State	Sara Price Laura Dye	State of Nevada	No No	No No	08/14/2020 01/12/2023	08/14/2026 08/14/2026
Basin State	Ali Effati Christina Noftsker	State of New Mexico	No No	No No	01/12/2023 01/12/2023	01/12/2026 01/12/2026				

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			Basin State	Amy Haas Betsy Morgan	State of Utah	No No	No No	8/15/2023 8/15/2023	8/15/2026 8/15/2026
			Basin State	Charlie Ferrantelli Mel Fegler	State of Wyoming	No No	No No	01/12/2023 01/12/2023	01/12/2026 01/12/2026
			Federal Power Purchase Contractors	Leslie James Sheri Farag	Colorado River Energy Distributors Association	No No	No No	07/30/1998 8/14/2023	01/25/2025 01/25/2025
			Federal Power Purchase Contractors	Kevin Garlick Clifford Barrett	Utah Municipal Power Agency	No No	No No	08/20/2018 08/20/2018	01/25/2025 01/25/2025
			Environmental Group	Larry Stevens Kelly Burke	Grand Canyon Wildlands	No No	No No	12/04/2006 01/25/2022	08/14/2026 08/14/2026
			Environmental Group	Matt Rice Sinjin Eberle	American Rivers	No No	No No	08/14/2020 8/14/2023	08/14/2026 08/14/2026
			Recreational Industry	David Brown Ben Reeder	Grand Canyon River Guides	No No	No No	07/14/2016 01/25/2022	08/14/2026 08/14/2026
			Recreational Industry	James Strogen Rod Buchanan	Fly Fishers International	No No	No No	01/25/2022 01/25/2022	01/25/2025 01/25/2025
			No Representation	VACANT	San Juan Southern Paiute	No	No	*****	*****

*Names in **BOLD** designate primary members.