

## Technical Work Group Meeting

October 10, 2018

Before I give the status of the HPP, I have been asked to give a little background on the HPP and the cultural resources process that has led us to the HPP and where we are today.

### The Process:

1. There are a number of steps required to reach compliance with cultural resources law. Each step in the compliance process builds on the previous step.
2. The first step to occur under the cultural resources law and LTEMP EIS, Reclamation acknowledged that operations of the Glen Canyon Dam under the LTEMP is an undertaking as defined by the National Historic Preservation Act (54 § 300320). The undertaking is the proposed operation of the Glen Canyon Dam for a period of 20 years under the LTEMP (LTEMP EIS:3-146)
3. As an undertaking then, Reclamation, as lead federal agency, shall take into account the effect of the undertaking on any historic property – generally identified as Section 106 (54 § 306108, formerly Section 106 of the NHPA).
4. Reclamation has determined that this undertaking has the potential to cause adverse effects cultural resources (as identified in the LTEMP EIS: 3-147). This includes inundation, exposure, erosion and bank slumping to name a few.
5. Because Reclamation could not identify and resolve all adverse effects prior to the beginning of dam operations under the LTEMP, Reclamation was required to develop a Programmatic Agreement (PA) to address potential adverse effects. The PA was completed and executed on 9/6/2017 with the signing by the ACHP.
6. Because not all adverse effects could be identified within the PA, the PA stipulates that an Historic Preservation Plan (HPP) be developed.
7. HPP is Reclamation's "Roadmap" to be followed to assure Reclamation's compliance with Section 106. Specific contents of the HPP were defined in the stipulations of the PA.
8. The HPP consists of step by step instructions for Reclamation to be carried out under LTEMP. It identifies how Reclamation will deal with the discoveries of new historic properties or new effects on currently known properties. Mainly, this is the documentation of Reclamation's compliance procedures. Some of the shortcomings in the past have concerned the lack of thorough documentation of effects. This will be eliminated with the new HPP.
9. Status of the HPP is that the newest version of the draft HPP will be released for review by the parties of the PA on October 12, 2018.
10. This review will last until October 19, 2018 with all comments returned to me.
11. The week of October 22<sup>nd</sup> will be used to compile comments together into a final HPP document.
12. On or before October 31, Brent Rhees will approve and sign the HPP.
13. Distribution of the HPP will be immediately completed electronically to all parties of the PA, AMWG and TWG members and others as requested.

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