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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Reclamation

Glen Canyon Adaptive Management Work Group (AMWG) and Glen Canyon Technical Work Group (TWG)

AGENCY: Bureau of Reclamation, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of Public Meetings.

SUMMARY: The Adaptive Management Program (AMP) was implemented as a result of the Record of Decision on the Operation of Glen Canyon Dam Final Environmental Impact Statement and to comply with consultation requirements of the Grand Canyon Protection Act (P.L. 102-575) of 1992. The AMP provides an organization and process to ensure the use of scientific information in decision making concerning Glen Canyon Dam operations and protection of the affected resources consistent with the Grand Canyon Protection Act. The AMP has been organized and includes a federal advisory committee called the Glen Canyon Adaptive Management Work Group, a technical work group, a monitoring and research center, and independent review panels. The TWG is a subcommittee of the AMWG and provide technical advice and information for the AMWG to act upon.

DATES AND LOCATION: The Glen Canyon Adaptive Management Work Group will conduct two (2) open public meetings as follows:

Phoenix, Arizona — October 21, 1999. The meeting will begin at 9:30 a.m. and conclude at 4:00 p.m. The meeting will be held at the Bureau of Indian Affairs – Phoenix Area Office, 2 Arizona Center, Conference Room A and B (12th Floor), 400 North 5th Street, Phoenix, Arizona.

Agenda: The purpose of the meeting is to address administrative issues and AMP goals, and review the budget format, ad hoc group reports, and fiscal year 1999 annual report to Congress.

Phoenix, Arizona — January 20-21, 2000. The meeting will begin at 9:30 a.m. and conclude at 5:00 p.m. on the first day and begin at 8:00 a.m. and conclude at 12 noon on the second day. The meeting will be held at the Bureau of Indian Affairs – Phoenix Area Office, 2 Arizona Center, Conference Room A and B (12th Floor), 400 North 5th Street, Phoenix, Arizona.

Agenda: The purpose of the meeting is to address administrative issues and discuss the following: AMP strategic plan, organization location of the Grand Canyon Monitoring and Research Center (GCMRC), status of filling the GCMRC director position, tribal participation update, flood avoidance activities, programmatic agreement five-year budget, National Research Council report, Kanab ambersnail workshop, GCMRC report on activities, fiscal year 2001 budget and work plans, State of Natural and Cultural Resources in the Colorado River Ecosystem report, experimental flow regimes, status of the temperature control device, GCMRC fiscal year 1999 contract reports summary, 2001 budget, environmental compliance issues, and basin hydrology.

DATES AND LOCATIONS: The Glen Canyon Technical Work Group will conduct three (3) open public meetings as follows:

Phoenix, Arizona — October 22, 1999. The meeting will begin at 8:00 a.m. and conclude at 3:00 p.m. The meeting will be held at the Bureau of Indian Affairs – Phoenix Area Office, 2 Arizona Center, Conference Room A and B (12th Floor), 400 North 5th Street, Phoenix, Arizona.

Agenda: The purpose of the meeting is to address administrative issues and discuss the AMP goals, budget format, ad hoc group report, and review the fiscal year 1999 annual report to Congress.

Phoenix, Arizona — December 8-9, 1999. The meeting will begin at 9:30 a.m. and conclude at 5:00 p.m. on the first day and begin at 8:00 a.m. and conclude at 3:00 p.m. on the second day. The meeting will be held at the Arizona Department of Water Resources Office, Conference Room A (3rd Floor), 500 North 3rd Street, Phoenix, Arizona.

Agenda: The purpose of the meeting is to address administrative issues and discuss the AMP goals, budget format, ad hoc group report, 2001 budget and work plans, environmental compliance issues, State of Natural and Cultural Resources in the Colorado River Ecosystem report, basin hydrology, experimental flow regimes, temperature control device workshop report, and recommend the fiscal year 1999 annual report to Congress.

Phoenix, Arizona — January 19 and 21, 2000. The meeting will begin at 1:00 p.m. and conclude at 4:00 p.m. on the first day and begin at 1:00 p.m. and conclude at 3:00 p.m. on the second day. The meeting will be held at the Bureau of Indian Affairs – Phoenix Area Office, 2 Arizona Center, Conference Room A and B (12th Floor), 400 North 5th Street, Phoenix, Arizona.

Agenda: The purpose of the meeting is to address administrative issues, discuss the agenda for the AMWG meeting to be held on January 20, 2000, and discuss the process to review management objectives and information needs. In addition, the following items will be discussed: tribal participation update, Kanab ambersnail workshop, GCMRC Request for Proposal status, Lake Powell plan, fiscal year 2001 budget, fiscal year 2000 annual plan, GCMRC fiscal year 1999 contract reports summary, experimental flows ad hoc report, status of pit tag data files, temperature control device status report, programmatic compliance, strategic plan, basin hydrology, and assignments from AMWG meetings.

Agenda items may be revised prior to any of the meetings. Final agendas will be posted 15 days in advance of each meeting and can be found at the following Internet site: <http://www.uc.usbr.gov/amp/>. Time will be allowed on each agenda for any individual or organization wishing to make formal oral comments (limited to 10 minutes) at the meetings.

To allow full consideration of information by the TWG and AMWG members, written notice must be provided to Randall Peterson, Bureau of Reclamation, Upper Colorado Regional Office, 125 South State Street, Room 6107, Salt Lake City, Utah 84138-1102; telephone (801) 524-3758; faxogram (801) 524-3858; E-mail at: rpeterson@uc.usbr.gov at least FIVE (5) days prior to the meeting. Any written comments received will be provided to the TWG and AMWG members at the meetings.

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