

associated with construction of the Diamond Fork Pipeline System is 100 acre-feet or less, and sufficient progress has been attained by the Recovery Implementation Program to avoid the likelihood of jeopardy to the Colorado River endangered fish species; and (2) the construction of the pipeline and access road will affect, but is not likely to jeopardize the continued existence of the Ute ladies'-tresses orchid. The Service made six conservation recommendations pursuant to Section 7(a)(1) of the Endangered Species Act. Conservation recommendations are discretionary agency activities to minimize or avoid adverse effects of a proposed action on listed species or critical habitat, to help implement recovery plans, or to develop information. In their January 5, 1995, letter to the Service, copy enclosed, and in their January 19, 1995, letter to the Program Director, copy enclosed, the District agreed to implement the following Conservation Recommendations included in the January 5, 1995, Biological Opinion. Those conservation recommendations are stated verbatim as follows:

1. The District should prepare an Environmental Commitment Checklist (ECC) detailing requirements for construction methods and associated activities that are designed to avoid or minimize environmental impacts of the construction project, including impacts to the Ute ladies'-tresses orchid. For example, the ECC should specify requirements that will prevent impacts to the orchid outside of the construction area; establish the minimum necessary boundaries of the construction zone; and, provide a qualified individual to monitor construction activity during stream crossings and at any other sensitive locations identified by the Service. The ECC should be prepared in consultation with cooperating environmental oversight agencies, including the Service. The Service recommends that the District provide this document for Service review and approval prior to initiation of construction.

2. The District should prepare a site rehabilitation/revegetation plan in consultation with, and acceptable to, both the Service and the Forest Service. The plan should include specifications for undesirable plant species monitoring and management.

3. The District should conduct surveys for the Ute ladies'-tresses orchid in areas to be disturbed during the flowering season immediately prior to construction. Plants should be counted and flagged.

4. The District should provide funds for the removal, holding, and transplanting of plants that will be impacted by construction. Plants should be transplanted to a holding facility approved by the Service, such as the Red Butte Garden and Arboretum of the University of Utah. Plants should be maintained there until the following activities occur under the direction of the Service:

a. Selected plants will be transplanted back into the areas from which they were taken when the sites have been rehabilitated and appropriate conditions created to ensure successful reestablishment.

b. Selected plants will be maintained in the holding facility, and serve as propagation stock as determined desirable, for future reintroduction to other areas in the Diamond Fork drainage or along the Wasatch Front. This will ensure that there is a source of genetically compatible individuals to augment or replace populations that may be impacted by the construction and operation of the Diamond Fork System on Diamond Fork and Spanish Fork drainage or Utah Lake caused by operation of the Diamond Fork System.

c. Plants selected by the Service would be available to researchers for conducting approved life history research.

5. After the identified plants have been removed from the impact area, surface substrates (top 6–12 inches) should be scraped off and stockpiled. Following construction, site rehabilitation activities should include replacing the removed surface materials. To the extent possible, compaction and contamination of surface soils with undesirable plant species or other materials should be avoided.

6. The District should prepare and implement a monitoring plan in consultation with, and acceptable to, the Service and the Forest Service. The monitoring plan should be for a minimum of 10 years and have the following objectives:

a. Document the presence and vigor of orchid individuals transplanted back into disturbed sites.

b. Determine the presence and number of new individuals that appear on disturbed sites.

c. Document hydrologic conditions, principally soil moisture and depth to groundwater, seasonally in disturbed sites.

d. Monitor the presence of undesirable plant species and effects of management activities for their control.

e. Over the 10 year monitoring period, document major changes in plant community composition, with particular focus on detecting and documenting changes from a wetland riparian community to a drier, upland riparian community.

#### D. Environmental Permits

Several water quality permits must be obtained prior to construction of the Diamond Fork Pipeline, Access Road, and Appurtenant facilities. The Clean Water Act of 1977 (P.L. 95–217) requires that Section 402 permits be obtained from Utah Department of Environmental Quality through authority granted by the Environmental Protection Agency for the discharge of any wastewater or process water. Section 404(r) of P.L. 95–217 contains provisions to exempt, in certain instances, congressionally authorized Federal projects from having to obtain a Section 404 Permit from the Army Corps of Engineers for discharge of dredged or fill material into waters of

the United States. On November 29, 1994, the Department of the Interior's Program Director submitted the Diamond Fork 1984 FEIS and 1990 FS–FEIS to the Chairman of the U.S. Senate Appropriations Subcommittee on Energy and Water Development and the U.S. House of Representatives Appropriations Subcommittee on Energy and Water Development to ensure the project is in full compliance with Section 404(r) of the Clean Water Act, copies attached. The construction contract will not be awarded and no actual discharge of dredged or fill material in connection with the construction of the Diamond Fork Pipeline System will occur until fiscal year 1996 funds are appropriated by the Congress.

#### E. Environmental Commitment Plan

The District will prepare a detailed project Environmental Commitment Plan, documenting all mitigation measures and environmental commitments made in the 1984 FEIS and the 1990 FS–FEIS prior to the award of the construction contract of the Diamond Fork Pipeline System. The Environmental Commitment Plan will be developed during the final design and implemented during construction, and operation of the Recommended Plan.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION:** Additional information on matters related to this **Federal Register** notice can be obtained at the address and telephone number set forth below: Mr. Reed Murray, Program Coordinator, CUP Completion Act Office, Department of the Interior, 302 East 1860 South, Provo UT 84606–6154, Telephone: (801) 379–1237.

Dated: March 30, 1995.

**Ronald Johnston,**

*CUP Program Director, Department of the Interior.*

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#### Office of the Secretary

#### Exxon Valdez Oil Spill Public Advisory Group; Meeting

**AGENCY:** Department of the Interior, Office of the Secretary.

**ACTION:** Notice of meeting.

**SUMMARY:** The Department of the Interior, Office of the Secretary is announcing a public meeting of the Exxon Valdez Oil Spill Public Advisory Group.

**DATES:** April 20–21, 1995, at 8:30 a.m.

**ADDRESSES:** First floor conference room, 645 "G" Street, Anchorage, Alaska.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Douglas Mutter, Department of the Interior, Office of Environmental Policy and Compliance, 1689 "C" Street, Suite 119, Anchorage, Alaska, (907) 271-5011.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Public Advisory Group was created by Paragraph V.A.4 of the Memorandum of Agreement and Consent Decree entered into the United States of America and the State of Alaska on August 27, 1991, and approved by the United States District Court for the District of Alaska in settlement of *United States of America v. State of Alaska*, Civil Action No. A91-081 CV. The agenda will include the review of small-parcel habitat protection efforts and a discussion of long-range restoration planning.

Dated: March 27, 1995.

**Willie R. Taylor,**

*Director, Office of Environmental Policy and Compliance.*

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### Minerals Management Service

#### Information Collection Submitted to the Office of Management and Budget for Review Under the Paperwork Reduction Act

The collection of information listed below has been submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for reapproval under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35). Copies of the proposed information collection and related forms may be obtained by contacting Dennis Jones at 303-231-3046. Comments and suggestions on this information collection should be made directly to the Bureau Clearance officer at the telephone number listed below and to the OMB, Paperwork Reduction Project (1010-0022), Washington, D.C. 20503, telephone 202-395-7340.

*Title:* Report of Sales and Royalty Remittance.

*OMB Approval Number:* 1010-0022.

*Abstract:* The Report of Sales and Royalty Remittance is submitted by those individual and companies producing minerals from leased Indian lands or from leased Federal onshore or offshore lands. Respondents report monthly the sales and royalties of oil, gas, and solid minerals taken from Federal and Indian lands. The Minerals Management Service (MMS) uses the data to monitor royalties received, for audits, and to compare reported sales data with production data reported in

the MMS Production Accounting and Auditing System.

*Bureau Form Number:* MMS-2014.

*Frequency:* Monthly.

*Description of Respondents:*

Companies producing and processing minerals from Federal onshore or offshore leases, and from Indian leases.

*Estimated Completion Time:* 3 or 7 minutes per reported line.

*Annual Responses:* 2,000.

*Annual Burden Hours:* 240,600.

*Bureau Clearance Officer:* Arthur Quintana 703-787-1101.

Dated: March 1, 1995.

**James W. Shaw,**

*Associate Director for Royalty Management.*

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### Bureau of Reclamation

#### Draft Environmental Impact Statement for Proposed Acreage Limitation and Water Conservation Rules and Regulations

**AGENCY:** Bureau of Reclamation, Interior.

**ACTION:** Notice of availability on the draft environmental impact statement; INT-DES-95-13.

**SUMMARY:** In response to a September 1993 contract for settlement of a lawsuit filed by the Natural Resources Defense Council, National Wildlife Federation, California Natural Resources Federation, California Association of Family Farmers, California Action Network, League of Rural Voters, Inc., and County of Trinity, California (hereinafter NRDC et al.); and pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, as amended, the Bureau of Reclamation (Reclamation) has prepared a draft environmental impact statement (DEIS) on proposed acreage limitation and water conservation rules and regulations for implementing the Reclamation Reform Act of 1982 (RRA), as amended, throughout the 17 Western States.

The purpose of the DEIS is to evaluate potential impacts associated with the proposed rules and alternatives. As such, the DEIS presents an evaluation of five alternatives, including no action. This is accomplished at a programmatic level and provides the required environmental documentation for implementation of the RRA on a Westwide basis.

**DATES:** Written comments on the DEIS should be submitted to the Bureau of Reclamation by May 31, 1995. A recorded toll-free number (1-800-861-5443) will be available to make oral comments during the public review

period. Comments received in this manner must include the commentor's name in order to be included in the official record. Address and affiliation are optional. Comments will be limited to 15 minutes per call.

**ADDRESSES:** Written comments on the DEIS and requests for copies should be addressed to: Mr. Ronald J. Schuster (D-5010), Westwide Settlement Manager, Bureau of Reclamation, PO Box 25007, Denver CO 80225. Requests for copies may also be made over the telephone at (303) 236-1061 extension 237.

Copies of the DEIS are available for inspection at the address above and also at the following locations:

- Office of the Commissioner, Bureau of Reclamation, Room 7612, 1849 C Street, NW, Washington DC 20240
- Reclamation Service Center, Bureau of Reclamation, Library, Room 167, Building 67, Denver Federal Center, Denver CO 80225
- Pacific Northwest Regional Office, Bureau of Reclamation, Room 214, 1150 North Curtis Road, Boise ID 83706
- Mid-Pacific Regional Office, Bureau of Reclamation, Library, Room W-1522, 2800 Cottage Way, Sacramento CA 95825
- Lower Colorado Regional Office, Bureau of Reclamation, Library, Room M117, Nevada Highway and Park Street, Boulder City NV 89005
- Upper Colorado Regional Office, Bureau of Reclamation, Library, Room 7101, 125 South State Street, Salt Lake City UT 84147
- Great Plains Regional Office, Bureau of Reclamation, Library, Room 2037, Federal Office Building, 316 North 26th Street, Billings MT 59101

#### Libraries

##### Arizona

Arizona Department of Water Resources Library, Phoenix  
 Arizona State Library, Department of Library, Archives and Public Records, Phoenix  
 Arizona State Regional Library for the Blind and Physically Handicapped, Phoenix  
 Arizona State University, Noble Science and Engineering Library, Tempe  
 Arizona State University, Hayden Library, Tempe  
 Flagstaff City-Coconino County Public Library, Flagstaff  
 Maricopa County Library, Phoenix  
 Mesa Public Library, Mesa  
 Northern Arizona University, Cline Library, Flagstaff  
 Phoenix Public Library, Phoenix  
 Scottsdale Public Library, Scottsdale  
 Tempe Public Library, Tempe  
 Tucson Pima Library, Tucson  
 University of Arizona Library, Tucson  
 Yuma County Library District, Yuma  
 California  
 Bay Area Library and Information System, Oakland