

6. There is no default under the Public Entity Agreement (as defined in the Opinion Letter) nor have events occurred which with the passage of time will result in a default under the Regulatory Agreement.

Note: All capitalized terms not defined herein shall have the meanings set forth in the Opinion Letter.

In Witness Whereof, the Owner has executed this Certification of Owner effective as of the date set forth above.
OWNER:

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Office of the Assistant Secretary; Water and Science Central Utah Project Completion Act; Uintah Unit Replacement Project

AGENCIES: The Department of the Interior (Department) and the Central Utah Water Conservancy District (District).

ACTION: Notice of availability of the Draft Environmental Impact Statement: DES 97-7.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to section 102(2)(C) of the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, as amended, the Department, and the District have issued a joint Draft Environmental Impact Statement (Draft EIS) on the Uintah Unit Replacement Project (Uintah Unit). The Draft EIS consists of a proposed action and alternatives to construct a combination of features that will develop water supplies for the Uintah Unit of the Central Utah Project in the Uinta Basin of northeastern Utah. The Draft EIS evaluates the environmental impacts of water storage reservoirs, improved diversion and distribution of water, water conservation, stabilization of high mountain lakes, instream flows, fish and wildlife mitigation and enhancement, recreation developments and land retirement.

There is a need to manage the water supply within the Uintah Unit to develop resources of the Ute Indian Tribe of the Uintah and Ouray Reservation, provide early and late season irrigation water, and provide water and facilities for environmental and recreation purposes. The proposed action and alternatives seek to meet

these needs by providing storage, improved distribution of water, water conservation, instream flows, fish and wildlife enhancements, and recreation developments.

Public participation has occurred throughout the EIS process. A Notice of Intent was filed in the Federal Register on December 31, 1992. Since that time, open houses, public meetings, and mail-outs have been conducted to solicit comments and ideas. Any comments received throughout the process have been considered.

DATES: Written comments on the Draft EIS must be submitted or postmarked no later than April 29, 1997. Comments on the Draft EIS may also be presented verbally or submitted in writing at the public hearings to be held at the following times and locations:

- Tuesday, April 1, 1997, 1:00 p.m., Ute Tribal Auditorium, Tribal Headquarters, Fort Duchesne, Utah.
- Tuesday, April 1, 1997, 6:00 p.m., Union High School Auditorium, 135 North Union, Roosevelt, Utah.
- Wednesday April 2, 1997, 6:00 p.m., Salt Lake County Commission Chambers, Room N1101, 2001 South State Street, Salt Lake City, Utah.

The public hearings are being held to address the Draft EIS for the proposed Uintah Unit Replacement Project. In order to be included as part of the hearing record, written testimony must be submitted at the time of the hearing. Verbal testimony will be limited to 5 minutes. Those wishing to give testimony at a hearing should submit a registration form, included at the end of the Draft EIS, to the address listed below by, March 25, 1997.

ADDRESS: Comments on the Draft EIS should be addressed to: Terry Holzworth, Project Manager, Central Utah Water Conservancy District, 355 West 1300 South, Orem, Utah 84058.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION: Additional copies of the Draft EIS, copies of the resources technical reports, Draft Feasibility Study, or information on matters related to this notice can be obtained on request from: Ms. Nancy Hardman, Central Utah Water Conservancy District, 355 West 1300 South, Orem, Utah 84058, Telephone: (801) 226-7187, Fax: (801) 226-7150.

Copies are also available for inspection at:

Central Utah Water Conservancy District, 355 West 1300 South, Orem, Utah 84058

Department of the Interior, Natural Resource Library, Serials Branch, 18th and C Streets, NW, Washington, D.C. 20240

Department of the Interior, Central Utah Project Completion Act Office, 302 East 1860 South, Provo, Utah 84606
Bureau of Indian Affairs, Uintah and Ouray Agency, 988 South 7500 East, Fort Duchesne, Utah 84026.

Dated: February 21, 1997.

Ronald Johnston,

CUPCA Program Director, Department of the Interior.

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Fish and Wildlife Service

Notice of Receipt of Applications for Permit

The following applicants have applied for a permit to conduct certain activities with endangered species. This notice is provided pursuant to Section 10(c) of the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1531, et seq.):

PRT-824747.

Applicant: Zoological Society of San Diego, San Diego, CA.

The applicant requests a permit to import one female captive born Pink pigeon (*Columba mayeri*) from Jersey Wildlife Preservation Trust for the purpose of enhancement of the species through propagation.

PRT-825321.

Applicant: U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service—Ecological Services, Pierre, SD.

The applicant requests a permit to export 5 pairs Black-footed ferret (*Mustela nigripes*) carcasses to National Museums of Scotland, Edinburgh, Scotland for the purpose of enhancement of the survival of the species through scientific research.

PRT-825316.

Applicant: Wildlife Waystation, San Fernando, CA.

The applicant requests a permit to import one female captive-born tiger (*Panthera tigris*) from the Irish Seal Sanctuary, Garristown, Ireland, for the purpose of enhancement of the survival of the species through conservation education.

PRT-678845.

Applicant: Mesa Garden, Belen, NM.

The applicant requests renewal of a permit to export and sell in interstate and foreign commerce artificially propagated seeds and whole plants of tobusch fishhook cactus (*Anicistocactus tobuschi* syn. *Sclerocactus brevihatatus*), Nellie's cory cactus (*Coryphantha* (= *Escobaria*) *minima*), Sneed pincushion cactus (*Coryphantha* (= *Escobaria*) *sneedii* var. *Sneedii*),