

# Reclamation Manual

## Directives and Standards

**Subject:** Reclamation Standard Water-Related Contract Articles, Article 18: Administration of Federal Project Lands (Federally Constructed Programs with Transferred Works)

**Purpose:** To commit Reclamation's Standard Contract Article 18 to the Reclamation Manual, introduced by a brief description and direction regarding its use, for the benefit of making it easily accessible and promoting Reclamation-wide consistency in its use and content.

**Authority:** The Reclamation Act of 1902 (ch. 1093, 32 Stat. 388), especially section 6 (43 USC § 498), and acts amendatory and supplementary thereto; section 5 of the Reclamation Extension Act of 1914 (Pub. L. 63-170; 43 USC § 499); subsection G of the Fact Finders' Act of 1924 (Pub. L. 68-292; 43 USC § 500)

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1. **Administration of Federal Project Lands (Federally Constructed Programs with Transferred Works).** This article is used when the contractor is responsible for operating and maintaining project works and Federal lands. Contractors are prohibited by law from issuing any land-use agreement or grant that conveys an interest in Federal real property and from leasing or disposing of any interest of the United States. The charts included in Reclamation Manual Policy, *Reclamation Standard Water-Related Contract Articles*, PEC P10 specify which contract types require standard article 18.

2. **Reclamation Standard Contract Article 18.**

(Federally Constructed Programs with Transferred Works)

### ADMINISTRATION OF FEDERAL PROJECT LANDS<sup>1</sup>

(a) The lands and interests in lands acquired, withdrawn, or reserved and needed by the United States for the purposes of care, operation, and maintenance of Federal project works may be used by the Contractor for such purposes. The Contractor shall ensure that no unauthorized

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