

Chapter 4 Environmental Commitments

Appropriate ESA compliance for LFCC O & M work will be undertaken.

Clean Water Act compliance is anticipated for the LFCC O&M activities since most of the work will be completed within aquatic areas, which will require individual 404 permits. State water quality certification permits under Section 401 of the CWA will also be obtained, as required.

OSE permitting as required

Standard Best Management Practices (BMPs) shall be employed as appropriate to include the following elements.

The Government or Contractor shall:

- 1) grade the applicable worksites so that the land surface conforms to the surrounding natural or pre-existing topography,
- 2) construct drainage channels or berms to control runoff
- 3) clean all equipment outside the floodplain and work in a manner to minimize the spread of noxious weeds
- 4) clean all equipment outside the floodplain prior to entering the Rio Grande or its tributaries and prior to cleaning, identify areas for cleaning equipment
- 5) maintain hazardous spill prevention kits at all pumping sites and clean-up any spills or leaks immediately, including spills on earthen surfaces

Chapter 5 Consultation and Coordination

In preparation of this EA, formal or informal coordination was conducted with the following entities:

- U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (Cooperating Agency)
- U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service
- New Mexico Interstate Stream Commission (Cooperating Agency)
- Middle Rio Grande Conservancy District (Cooperating Agency)
- Sandia Pueblo



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