

Chapter 5 - Consultation and Coordination

5.1 Introduction

This chapter details the consultation and coordination between Reclamation and other Federal, state, and local Government agencies, Native American Tribes, and the public, during the preparation of this EA. Compliance with NEPA is a Federal responsibility that involves the participation of all of these entities in the planning process. NEPA requires full disclosure about major actions taken by Federal agencies and accompanying alternatives, impacts, and potential mitigation of impacts.

5.2 Public Involvement

A public scoping period to provide to the interested public an opportunity to provide input regarding the scope of this EA was initiated on June 3, 2008, with a scoping letter mailed to over 100 municipalities, organizations, or agencies considered to have an interest in the proposed action. The scoping period ended on June 27, 2008, with 4 comment letters received. All comments received were given full consideration in defining issues to be analyzed in this EA.

This draft EA is being made available for a 30-day public comment period with the deadline for comments indicated in the transmittal letter. During the 30-day comment period a public meeting is scheduled in Morgan on January 13th to present a summary of the proposed project and answer questions, as well as receive written comments. The draft EA was mailed to over 70 municipalities, organizations, and agencies who indicated in response to the scoping letter that they would like to remain on the mailing list. This draft EA has also been made available on the internet at www.usbr.gov/uc/endocs/index.html.

Interested parties may receive a copy of the final EA by written request to Mr. Peter Crookston, Bureau of Reclamation, Provo Area Office. The address is 302 East 1860 South, Provo, Utah 84606-7317, or e-mail, pcrookston@uc.usbr.gov.

5.3 Native American Consultation

Reclamation will conduct Native American consultation throughout the public information process. Letters describing the proposed project, including maps will be sent by the Provo Area Office archaeologist to Ms. Betsy Chapoose, Director

of the Cultural Resources for the Ute Tribe of the Uintah and Ouray Reservation, Fort Duchesne, Utah; and Ms. Patty Timbimboo-Madsen, Director of Cultural and Natural Resources for the Northwest Band Shoshone Tribe, Brigham City, Utah. This consultation will be conducted in compliance with 36 CFR 800.2(c)(2), on a government-to-government basis. Through this effort, the tribe is given a reasonable opportunity to (1) identify any concerns about historic properties; (2) advise on the identification and evaluation of historic properties, including those of traditional religious and cultural importance; (3) articulate their views on the undertaking's effects on such properties; and (4) participate in the resolution of adverse effects.

5.4 Coordination with Other Agencies

A paleontological report was requested from the UGS and received in September 2008. The UGS determined that unless fossils are discovered as a result of construction activities, this project should have no impact on paleontological resources.

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