

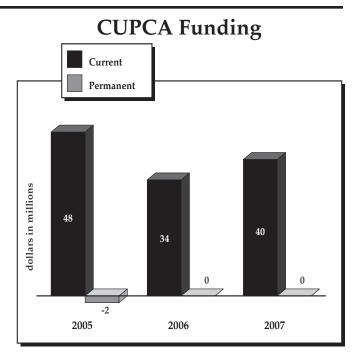
CENTRAL UTAH PROJECT

Mission — The purpose of this program is to complete the Central Utah Project in a timely and environmentally sound manner.

Program Overview — The Central Utah Project Completion Act provides for completion of the project by the Central Utah Water Conservancy District. The Completion Act also authorizes funding for fish, wildlife, and recreation mitigation and conservation activities; establishes the Utah Reclamation Mitigation and Conservation Commission to oversee implementation of those activities; and authorizes funding for the Ute Indian water rights settlement. A program office located in Provo, Utah provides a liaison function with the District, Mitigation Commission, and the Ute Indian Tribe and otherwise assists in carrying out responsibilities of the Secretary.

Accomplishments in 2005 on projects funded by the Water Conservancy District include continued funding of the Federal share of the completed Diamond Fork system; continued construction of Uinta Basin replacement project facilities; completion of the planning and National Environmental Policy Act compliance for the Utah Lake system and initiation of pre-construction activities; implementation of two additional water conservation measures for a total of 37 measures, which conserved about 90,200 acre-feet of water in 2005; and implementation of three new local development projects.

Accomplishments in 2005 for projects funded through the Mitigation Commission include acquisition of 48 acres to complete an additional mile of main river channel restoration work and two miles of tributary restoration on the Provo River. Restoration is now complete for eight miles of a nearly ten-mile habitat restoration project on the Provo River. The Commission is a key partner in funding recovery measures for the endangered June sucker in Utah Lake and the Provo River. In 2005, the Commission completed construction of a facility that will raise 30,000 June suckers annually for recovery stocking. About 302 acres of intermixed wetlands and uplands were purchased for the Utah Lake wetlands preserve, bringing the total project area acquired to 5,712 acres.



As part of the 2007 budget development process, the Central Utah Project was evaluated using the Program Assessment Rating Tool. The project was rated as adequate, concluding that it has a strong track record of building infrastructure in a cost-effective fashion; working closely with local water management entities; meeting its water delivery contracts; and meeting many of the environmental mitigation targets outlined in the 1992 authorizing legislation.

Budget Overview — The 2007 Central Utah Project budget is \$40.2 million, an increase of \$6.1 million above the 2006 enacted level. The increase will maintain progress towards timely completion of the project.

The request continues construction of the enlarged Big Sand Wash Dam and Reservoir, a feature of the Uinta Basin replacement project; continues to implement approved local development projects and water management improvement projects; provides funding for design work and construction of the Spanish Fork Canyon pipeline, a feature

of the Utah Lake system; and implements fish, wildlife, and recreation mitigation and conservation projects.

The request includes \$37.1 million for planning and construction activities administered by the District; \$1.6 million for program administration; \$519,000 for mitigation and conservation activities funded through the program office; and \$965,000 for mitigation and conservation activities funded through the Mitigation Commission.

The 2006 Energy and Water Development Appropriation Act included \$6.7 million in the Western Area Power Administration's budget for transfer to the Mitigation Commission as required by section 402 of the Central Utah Project Completion Act. The 2007 CUPCA budget request assumes that the Western Area Power Administration's 2007 budget request will include \$6.9 million for this annual mitigation payment to the Commission.

SUMMARY OF BUREAU APPROPRIATIONS (all dollar amounts in thousands)

Comparison of 2007 Request with 2006 Enacted:

	2006 Enacted		2007 Request		Change from 2006	
_	FTE	Amount	FTE	Amount	FTE	Amount
Appropriations						
Central Utah Project Completion Account	5	33,070	5	39,190	0	+6,120
Utah Reclamation Mitigation and Conservation	0	937	0	965	0	+28
Subtotal, Appropriations	5	34,007	5	40,155	0	+6,148
Permanents and Other						
Utah Reclamation Mitigation and Conservation	13	0	13	0	0	0
Subtotal, Permanents and Trusts	13	0	13	0	0	0
TOTAL, CENTRAL UTAH PROJECT	18	34,007	18	40,155	0	+6,148

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HIGHLIGHTS OF BUDGET CHANGES

By Appropriation Activity/Subactivity

APPROPRIATION: Central Utah Project Completion Account

				Change from
	2005 Actual	2006 Enacted	2007 Request	2006 Enacted
Central Utah Project Construction	29,866	30,958	37,068	+6,110
Mitigation and Conservation	694	393	519	+126
Program Administration	1,720	1,719	1,603	-116
TOTAL APPROPRIATION	32,280	33,070	39,190	+6,120

Program Highlights

Central Utah Project Construction

The request includes \$37,068 for use by the Central Utah Water Conservancy District, including \$15,204 to continue construction on the Uinta Basin replacement project; \$3,958 to implement approved local development projects and water management improvement projects; and \$17,906 to complete design and begin construction of the Utah Lake System.

Mitigation and Conservation

The request includes \$519 for activities funded through the program office.

Program Administration

The \$1,603 supports the program office in Provo, Utah, and other activities necessary to carry out responsibilities of the Secretary.

APPROPRIATION: <u>Utah Reclamation Mitigation and Conservation Account</u>

				Change from
_	2005 Actual	2006 Enacted	2007 Request	2006 Enacted
TOTAL APPROPRIATION	15,345	937	965	+28

Program Highlights

Fish, Wildlife, and Recreation Mitigation and Conservation

The request includes \$777,000 for use by the Utah Reclamation Mitigation and Conservation Commission to implement the fish, wildlife, and recreation mitigation and conservation projects authorized in Title III; and \$188,000 to complete mitigation measures agreed to by the Bureau of Reclamation.

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