

Energy and Water Efficient Building in Boulder City, Nevada

Project Description

Boulder City, Nev., was created as part of the Boulder Canyon Project Act to house the workers building Hoover Dam. Since its formation in 1931, the city has been the administrative headquarters for Reclamation's Lower Colorado Region, which includes southern Nevada, southern California, most of Arizona and small sections of New Mexico and Utah. The current Regional work force of about 320 employees is located at four office locations in the city. This creates operational inefficiencies, and increases operational and maintenance costs. American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 funds will be used to build an energy and water efficient building that will house 160 employees, allowing the Regional Office to consolidate all its employees into two central locations. It will also remove employees from two buildings that are energy and water inefficient, and one building that has seismic, hazardous materials and accessibility issues.

Project Benefits

The new building will:

- Reduce the Regional Office's energy and water consumption.
- Reduce travel between buildings, reducing vehicle mileage, fuel usage and related expenses.
- Improve the Regional Office's operational efficiency by providing appropriate and safe working spaces.
- Help the Regional Office comply with Executive Order 13423, Strengthening Federal Environmental, Energy and Transportation Management.
- Be Silver Rated, in accordance with the U.S. Green Building Council Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design Program.



Project Status

A \$10.9 million contract was awarded in April 2010 to Whiting-Turner Contracting Co. of Baltimore. All work is estimated to be complete by September 2011.

Budget Information

Recovery funding: \$13.5 million

For more information

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