

## Chapter 5. List of Preparers

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## **Chapter 6. Consultation and Coordination**

The Service was notified regarding the proposed action and protected species potentially present in the project area were identified. The Pueblo of Sandia and NMED were consulted regarding CWA Section 401 compliance. The EPA was consulted regarding CWA Section 402 compliance. The ACOE was consulted regarding CWA Section 404 permitting and compliance. The NMDG&F “New Mexico Species of Concern” website (NMDG&F 2005) was consulted to determine if any State-protected animal species could potentially occur in the project area. The New Mexico rare plants website (NMRPTC 1999) was consulted to determine if any State protected plant species might occur in the project area. Section 106 consultation with the New Mexico SHPO was handled under the terms of a Programmatic Agreement, which sets out guidelines for the consultation process regarding Middle Rio Grande river maintenance projects. Native American tribes were consulted for the Programmatic Agreement. A copy of this Programmatic Agreement is contained in Appendix A. Reclamation is committed to coordinating with the MRGCD throughout construction to ensure that the proposed action does not affect MRGCD activities.

The Draft EA document was distributed for public review and comment for 15 days in October 2005. Written comment letters on the Draft EA and Reclamation’s responses are contained in Appendix A.

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