

## Minor Modification RASU 3

### Motion 11-002

The Steering Committee approves Reclamation's recommended changes to conservation measure RASU3 to:

***RASU3 –Razorback sucker augmentation program. The LCR MSCP will provide a level of funding to support implementation of a stocking/augmentation program for the razorback sucker providing for the stocking of up to 660,000 subadult razorback suckers (at least 300mm in length) into the designated critical habitat for the species in Reaches 3, and in Reaches 4 and 5 of the LCR. The figure of 660,000 fish is not a target number for the LCR but represents an assumption (see RASU1) used to define the extent of funding that would be available, with the understanding that the adaptive management process (see 5.12.2.2) would guide the actual stocking program. The elements of the augmentation program divide the conservation efforts into the three reaches with numbers for fish per year per reach:***

***3.1 Implement an experimental augmentation, at a site(s) to be selected in cooperation with USFWS and state game and fish agencies, of 12,000 subadult razorback suckers each year for ten years (120,000 total augmentation,) and conduct intensive follow-up monitoring. When razorback sucker production capacity allows, razorback sucker production will be ramped up, with a target production of 120,000 300-mm subadult fish over a 10-year period (i.e. about 12,000 subadult fish per year). Of the 120,000 subadult fish, 6,000 300-mm fish will be stocked annually above Parker Dam and 6,000 300-mm fish below Parker Dam to facilitate maintenance of current juvenile and adult abundance. The augmentation program will also support maintenance and protection of the genetic diversity of existing populations in Lake Mohave (conservation measure RASU 4).***

See PDD 11-002. (Moved by Jon Sjoberg, seconded by Perri Benemelis)