



Lower Colorado River Multi-Species Conservation Program

Balancing Resource Use and Conservation

Program Implementation

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Program Area





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- **50-Years of ESA and CESA Compliance**
- **(CESA for CA Parties)**
 - **Unique - Section 7 and 10**
- **Covered Actions (Non-Federal and Federal)**
 - **Delivery and Diversion of 9 MAF**
 - **Maintenance Activities**
 - **Movement of 1.574 MAF**





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Goals and Objectives:

- Conserve habitat and work toward recovery of T&E species as well as reduce the likelihood of additional species being listed
- Accommodate present water diversions and power production and optimize opportunities for future water and power development
- Provide the basis for incidental take authorizations





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26 Covered Species

6 T&E species

2 birds, 1 reptile, 3 fish

20 other species

4 mammals, 10 birds, 2 reptiles, 1 fish,
1 insect, 2 plants

5 "evaluation species"

3 mammals, 2 reptiles





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Restoration

- Cottonwood-Willow - 5,940 Acres
- Mesquite - 1,320 Acres
- Marsh - 512 Acres
- Backwater - 360 Acres

Fish Stocking

- 660,000 Razorback Suckers
- 620,000 Bonytail





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2003 Cost Estimate - \$626 Million (Inflated Annually)

| •Years 1-5 | Years 6-10 | Years 11-15 |
|-------------------|-----------------|---------------|
| • <u>\$11.2 M</u> | <u>\$27.6 M</u> | <u>\$22 M</u> |

- Habitat Creation – 43%
- Science, Monitoring, and Adaptive Management - 26%
- Habitat Maintenance – 18%
- Program Administration – 8%
- Fish Augmentation – 5%





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-Annual Work Plan and Budget – Describes Past, Current, and Future

Transparent Process

- Steering Committee
- Workgroup Review Process

-Project Specific Reports





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Accomplishments through FY2006

- Fish Strategy
- Site Selection Process
- Science Strategy
- Nurseries and Acres Planted





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Upcoming Products

- Species Profiles
- Monitoring Protocols
- 5 Year Science Goals



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