Glen Canyon Dam Adaptive Management Program Federal Tribal Liaison Report February - August 2014



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- Coordination between GCMRC, Reclamation, and AMP Tribes regarding Triennial Work Plan
- Other Relevant Meetings
- LTEMP
- Traditional Ecological Knowledge Updates

Triennial Work Plan

- Federal Tribal-Liaison met with the Tribal Representatives on March 7
- Federal Tribal-Liaison met with GCMRC on March 11
- GCMRC held several meetings with Tribal Representatives to discuss research projects in the Work Plan (April 23, and May 22)

Triennial Work Plan

- CRAHG met on July 9 in Flagstaff to discuss the proposed 2015-2017 Triennial Work Plan and budget with GCDAMP and BR
- Generated recommendations and comments for the TWG including:
 - Project 12: Dam Related-Effects on the Distribution and Abundance of Selected Cultural-Important Plants in the Colorado River Ecosystem
 - Project 13: : Tribal Perspectives for and Values of Resources Downstream of Glen Canyon Dam

Navajo Nation Meeting with NPS and Reclamation (April 10)

- DOI-Federal-Tribal Liaison, NPS, and Reclamation;
- Tony Joe and Council Delegate Walter Phelps (Navajo Nation);
- Purpose to discuss the Navajo Nation becoming cooperating agency in the LTEMP process;
- LTEMP MOU signed June 9, 2014

Zuni Council and GC-NPS Informational Meeting (July 23)

- Grand Canyon NP and Zuni Council members;
- Topics included:
 - Bison Management
 - Bighorn Sheep Research
 - Native and non-Native Fish
 - Vegetation
 - Cultural Site Monitoring

Hualapai Tribe - Special Tribal Council Meeting (July 30)

- DAS Caramanian welcomed Loretta Jackson-Kelly and re-affirmed the Administration's commitment regarding the U.S. trust responsibility
- Provided information regarding the JTL duties
- Reclamation, NPS, GCMRC, JTL
- Provided information regarding the AMP and LTEMP
- Provided information regarding GRMRC's Triennial Work Plan

SW Native American Fish & Wildlife Society Conference Isleta Pueblo (August 5-7)

- Half-day session on TEK
- Hualapai Cultural Resources Department presentation titled: Hualapai Traditional Cultural Knowledge of the Grand Canyon
- 2015 Annual Conference being held in Reno, Nevada (early August 2015)

LTEMP EIS

- Swing-weighting Workshop March 31-April 1
- Argonne and Joint Lead Agencies briefed LEMP Tribal Reps on DEIS on August 12:
 - Update on schedule
 - Timeline for providing preliminary draft EIS sections to tribes
 - Timeline for tribes providing comments on preliminary draft EIS
 - Process for incorporating tribal comments
- Follow-up meeting with Tribal Representatives 2nd week of September
- Meetings with Zuni and Hopi in September

Triennial Work Plan—Cultural Projects

- Reclamation:
 - TEK Ecological Restoration Project coordinated effort with the NPS's vegetation program and personnel
 - Tribal Synthesis project to build a collaborative ecosystem management program
 - Annual Integrated River Trip in order to foster an important exchange of worldviews between Tribal rep

Traditional Ecological Knowledge

- Triennial Work Plan includes:
 - BR: TEK Ecological Restoration Project
 - BR: Tribal Synthesis Project
 - BR: Integrated River Trip: An Exchange of Values and World-Views
 - GCMRC's Projects 11 and 12: Investigate culturally-valued plants

