

Colorado River Salinity Control Funding Opportunity

Project Description

Projects that will control nearly 12,000 tons of salt that would otherwise enter the Colorado River system utilizing \$11.115 million in funding from the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (ARRA) are essentially completed.

The Colorado River and its tributaries provide municipal and industrial water to approximately 27 million people and irrigation water to nearly four million acres of land in the United States. The river also serves approximately 2.3 million people and 500,000 acres in Mexico. The threat of salinity is a major concern in both the United States and Mexico. Salinity affects agricultural, municipal and industrial water users.



Project Benefits

These projects:

- Reduce salinity which, in turn, causes over \$350 million in economic damage in the Lower Colorado River Basin states of Arizona, California and Nevada along with impacts in Mexico.
- Involve Colorado, Utah and Wyoming.
- Add to the overall long-running and successful salinity control program operating in the Upper Basin, intercepting salts at the source prior to entering the Colorado River.

Project Status

- Huntington Cleveland Irrigation Company - Huntington Cleveland Salinity Reduction Project, Emery County, Utah. Reclamation ARRA Funding: \$2,116,777. Construction will be completed Sept. 30, 2010.
- Farson/Eden Valley Irrigation and Drainage District, Eden/Farson, Wyo. Reclamation ARRA Funding: \$457,086. Construction will be completed Sept. 30, 2010.
- Red Cap Lake Fork Irrigation Company, Red Cap Canal and Laterals Project, Duchesne, Utah. Reclamation ARRA Funding: \$1,856,483. Construction will be completed Sept. 30, 2010.
- Peoples Canal Company - Peoples Canal Project, Manila, Utah. Reclamation ARRA Funding: \$5,087,866. Construction completed April 15, 2010. Habitat replacement related to project construction will continue through December 2010.
- Montezuma Valley Irrigation Company - Lone Pine Canal Piping Project, Cortez, Colo. Reclamation ARRA Funding: \$1,596,790. Construction is 50 percent complete due to winter weather impact. Project will be completed by March 31, 2011.

Budget Information

Recovery funding: \$11.115 million

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For more information

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