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Public Invited to Glen Canyon Dam LTEMP Alternatives Development Meeting

The public is invited to participate in a two-day meeting on alternatives being considered for inclusion in the Glen Canyon Dam Long Term Experimental and Management Plan Environmental Impact Statement being prepared by the Bureau of Reclamation and the National Park Service. The meeting will be held on April 4 and 5 at the High Country Conference Center located at 201 West Butler Avenue Flagstaff, AZ 86001.

The preliminary draft alternatives being considered for evaluation will be presented and discussed at the meeting hosted by Reclamation and the NPS. Stakeholders and other attendees who have alternate development proposals should have those ideas fleshed out and ready to present. Power point slides and posters are welcome. Those who RSVP will have their presentation listed on the meeting agenda.

Possible changes to Glen Canyon Dam operations and other actions by the Department of the Interior will be evaluated as alternatives in the LTEMP EIS. Alternatives to be considered in the EIS must meet the purpose and need of the LTEMP. The EIS will document and evaluate the impacts of the alternatives.

The EIS is expected to lead to a long-term plan that could determine changes in water release patterns from Glen Canyon Dam and also define a framework for continued experimentation leading to an improved knowledge base and protection of resources. Dam operations, and related actions being considered, have the potential to affect hydroelectricity production, beaches for river recreation, native fish and other aspects of the Colorado River ecosystem including plants, animals, and archeological sites in Grand Canyon National Park and Glen Canyon National Recreation Area.

The plan will ensure that releases from the dam and other actions being considered will meet the goals of protecting the resources of the Grand Canyon and Glen Canyon while continuing to supply water and power for communities, agriculture and industry.

More information on this meeting and other project news will be announced through social media (Reclamation, the NPS Intermountain Region, and the Grand Canyon Twitter feeds [#gcltemp] and Facebook pages) and on the project website: <http://ltempeis.anl.gov>.

To have your name added to the mailing list for future information, visit the Glen Canyon LTEMP EIS website (<http://ltempeis.anl.gov>) listed below. For questions about the process, please contact Beverley Heffernan, Bureau of Reclamation, Upper Colorado Region, Attention: UC-700, 125 South State Street, Salt Lake City, UT 84138-1147; (801) 524-3712, or Rob Billerbeck, National Park Service, Environmental Quality Division, 12795 West Alameda Parkway, Lakewood, CO 80225, 303-987-6789.

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