

**COLORADO RIVER RECOVERY PROGRAM
FY 2003 ANNUAL REPORT**

**PROJECT NUMBER: PIP 12F
(CAP 18/19)**

I. Project Title: Removal and control of nonnative fishes in Colorado and Gunnison River floodplain source ponds.

II. Principal Investigator:
Vacant
Colorado Division of Wildlife – Western Slope

III. Project Summary: This project's overall goal is to reduce the proliferation of nonnative fish species in floodplain habitats and minimize chronic escapement of nonnative fishes from perennial ponds. The public involvement plan's goals are to:

- Identify public concerns and values and provide a mechanism to incorporate public perspectives and issues into the process of reclaiming ponds.
- Inform interested communities about the reasons pond reclamation is taking place in support of efforts to recover the endangered fishes.
- Build public support for pond reclamation and provide information to, and collect input from, the public, news media, special interest groups, government and Congressional officials in a timely manner.

IV. Study Schedule:

Initial year: FY 2002

Final year: FY 2003 (If funding is approved for CAP 18/19)

V. Relationship to RIPRAP:

VI. INCREASE PUBLIC AWARENESS AND SUPPORT FOR THE ENDANGERED FISHES AND THE RECOVERY PROGRAM.

VI. Accomplishment of FY 2003 Tasks and Deliverables, Discussion of Initial Findings and Shortcomings:

This project changed direction on how to determine the source of nonnative fishes and this scope of work was not implemented.

VII. Recommendations: None

VIII. Project Status: On hold

IX. FY 2003 Budget Status

- A. Funds Provided: -0-
- B. Funds Expended: -0-
- C. Difference: -0-
- D. Percent of the FY 2003 work completed, and projected costs to complete: 0%, none.
- E. Recovery Program funds spent for publication charges: Not applicable.

X. Status of Data Submission (Where applicable): n/a

XI. Signed:

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