

COLORADO RIVER RECOVERY PROGRAM
FY 2011 ANNUAL PROJECT REPORT

RECOVERY PROGRAM
PROJECT NUMBER: 9

I. Project Title: Water Right Acquisition Consultant

II. Principal Investigator:

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III. Project Summary:

Due to complexities of water rights law in Colorado, Utah, and Wyoming, and the work involved in conducting water rights analyses, the Water Rights Acquisition Committee (WAC) retained the services of Water Rights Specialists to conduct water rights evaluations. The Specialists are available to the Recovery Program on an as-needed basis to perform work on individual water rights issues. Cost and performance deadlines are negotiated on a case-by-case basis. No work was needed in FY 2011

IV. Study Schedule: Initial Year - 1991, Final Year - Ongoing

V. Relationship to RIPRAP: Green River Action Plan: Mainstem I.A.4

Green River Action Plan: Yampa/Little Snake I.B.3, I.C.3, I.D.2

Green River Action Plan: Duchesne I.B, I.C

Green River Action Plan: White I.B, I.C, I.D

Colorado River Action Plan: Mainstem I.A.4, I.A.5

Colorado River Action Plan: Gunnison I.B, I.C

VI. Accomplishment of FY 2010 Tasks and Deliverables, Discussion of Initial Findings and Shortcomings: No funds were provided for project analysis in 2011.

VII. Recommendations: A new study plan has been developed with Utah and the Recovery Program to protect flow recommendations on the Green River at Jensen in hopes that another approach can protect these flows.

VIII. Project Status: Ongoing and on track.

IX. FY 2011 Budget Status:

A. Funds provided: \$10,000 is set aside to be spent for the water each year

B. Funds expended: \$0 Rights Specialists (Consultant Services).

C. Difference: \$ 0 Section 7 funds administered by the NFW Foundation.

X. Status of Data Submission: NA

XI. Signed: Jana Mohrman
Principal Investigator

November 19, 2011
Date