I. Project Title: Fish Passage at the Price-Stubb Diversion Dam

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III. Project Summary: The Price-Stubb Diversion Dam is located on the Colorado River approximately 1 mile upstream from the Town of Palisade, CO. The diversion dam has been identified as an impediment to the upstream movement of endangered Colorado pikeminnow and razorback sucker. The project consists of constructing a rock channel fish passage along with related features to address public safety/recreation concerns and improve dam stability.

IV. Study Schedule: The project is currently scheduled for construction beginning in March 2005 with a completion date of April 2006.

V. Relationship to RIPRAP:

Colorado River Action Plan: Mainstem  
II.B.2. Restore fish passage at Price-Stubb

VI. Accomplishment of FY 2004 Tasks and Deliverables, Discussion of Initial Findings and Shortcomings: Major FY 2004 accomplishments included design refinements for the rock channel fish passage and related public safety/recreation features; negotiation of contracts with the Mesa County and Palisade Irrigation Districts, Town of Palisade and E. R. Jacobson (landowner and potential hydropower developer); initiating Colorado Department of Transportation permitting process; providing assistance in the preparation of a Great Outdoor Colorado (GOCO) Grant application to obtain non-Federal funding for the related safety/recreation features, initiating Union Pacific Railroad access easement process; and preparation of a Final Environmental Assessment.

VII. Recommendations: None

VIII. Project Status: A Final Environmental Assessment will be completed in November 2004. Designs for the rock channel fish passage only and rock channel fish passage with public safety/recreation features alternatives will be completed in December 2004 and bids will be solicited in January and February 2005. If the required permits can be obtained, the necessary contracts negotiated and GOCO Grant funds obtained to fund the incremental cost; Reclamation will award a contract to construct the rock channel fish passage with public safety/recreation features alternative in March of 2005. If any of these
prerequisites are not met a contract for the rock channel fish passage only alternative will be awarded in March 2005. In either case construction will be completed in April 2006.

IX. FY 2004 Budget Status

A. Funds Provided: $340,000
B. Funds Expended: $110,686 Note: Difference is attributable to lower than expected design costs due to delays in obtaining consent of all stakeholders in the planning/preconstruction process.
C. Difference: $229,314
D. Percent of the FY 2004 work completed, and projected costs to complete: Preconstruction/planning process has been delayed by approximately 2 to 3 months in order to obtain consent of stakeholders. Estimated project costs in FY 2005 and FY 2006 are approximately $5,000,000. Actual costs are dependent on bids received.

E. Recovery Program funds spent for publication charges: None

X. Status of Data Submission (Where applicable): NA

XI. Signed: /s/ Brent Uilenberg November 4, 2004
Principal Investigator Date

APPENDIX: None