I. Project Title: Peer Review of Geomorphology Related Work

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III. Project Summary: The refinement of flow recommendations and channel monitoring are becoming increasingly important as the Recovery Program moves from a research-oriented program to implementation of flow enhancement projects such as coordinated reservoir operations, re-operation of dams, instream flow protection, and levee removal. The Recovery Program's Channel Monitoring Program is expanding, into a habitat monitoring program and additional projects expected in the future. To ensure that future geomorphology and channel monitoring projects are designed properly, a peer review process has been implemented by the Recovery Program. A three-person peer review panel was established in 1998 and continued to operate in 2005 and 2006.


- Jun 30, 2009 Report submitted for USGS supervisory and Recovery Program review
- Jul 30, 2009 Report submitted for technical review to Peer Reviewers (30 days) and Biology/Water Acquisition committee members (45 days) non-citable, but available for synthesis efforts
- Aug 30, 2009 Peer review due
- Sep 15, 2009 Biology/Water Acquisition committee’s reviews due
- Oct 15, 2009 Revised report to Biology/Water Acquisition committees for joint review/approval
- Early 2010 After committees review, it will be submitted for USGS editorial process and posted to the USGS website early in 2010, then it is citable and posted on the Recovery Program's website.

V. Relationship to RIPRAP: General Recovery Program Support Action Plan I. Provide and Protect Instream Flows
VI. Restore Habitat

VII. Accomplishments of FY 2008 Tasks and Deliverables: During 2008 no reports were reviewed by the geomorphology peer review group.

VII. Recommendations: By the summer of 2009 recruit geomorphology peer review panel for USGS FR Sed Mon 85f. Possibilities for the small panel; John Pitlick, Ned Andrews, Jack Schmidt, Robert Milhouse, Bill Trush

VIII. Project Status: Ongoing with no problems.

IX. FY 2009 Budget Status: peer review costs for FY09?
   A. Funds Provided: up to $10,000 Section 7 funds (on an as-needed basis)
   B. Funds Expended: $10,000

X. Status of Submissions: Not Applicable

XI. Signed: Jana Mohrman November 14, 2008
    Principal Investigator Date: