I. Project Title: Reclamation Program Management

II. Principal Investigator(s):

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III. Project Summary: The purpose of this project is to provide Reclamation participation in Recovery Program management.

IV. Study Schedule: Ongoing

V. Relationship to RIPRAP: General Recovery Program Support Action Plan, Provide Program Planning and Support (Program Management), Task No. VII

VI. Accomplishment of FY 2010: Tasks and Deliverables, Discussion of Initial Findings and Shortcomings: Program management funds are used to provide Reclamation participation in general Recovery Program activities not covered by specific scopes of work. Examples of these types of activities include administration of project funding agreements, work planning, monitoring project progress and performance, and other general program management and administration.

Task 1: Work with Recovery Program participants to coordinate work plans.

Task 1 Accomplishments, Discussion, and Shortcomings: Reclamation was able to participate in Biology Committee-related functions related to review and approval of work plans, RIPRAP revisions, final reports, and other issue papers pursuant to Task 1. We provided assistance on the Non-native Fish Subcommittee (including preparation of a draft strategic plan) and implementation of the Green River flow and temperature recommendations. We prepared the first draft of the Aspinall Study Plan and participated in associated meetings with Recovery Program partners. We coordinated with Recovery Program biologists to collect, organize and interpret temperature data from the 2010 base-flow period in the Green and Yampa rivers. We participated in the Flaming Gorge Technical working group and functioned as a liaison between the Recovery Program and Reclamation managers in implementing the 2006 ROD. We provided technical reviews of most Recovery Program technical documents and projects pursuant to federal requirements for cooperative agreement monitoring and as representatives on the Recovery Program Biology committee.

Task 2: Administer funding for Recovery Program projects.
Task 2 Accomplishments, Discussion, and Shortcomings: The Recovery Program FY10 work plan required us to create or modify approximately 60 funding agreements between cooperators and Reclamation pursuant to Task 2. Working with Recovery Program personnel, we were able to submit most agreement modification requests by May 2010 and funding was in place before the close of the fiscal year.

Each agreement required multi-faceted administrative maintenance, including requests for Federal assistance for Recovery Program-approved projects, communication with Recovery Program Director’s office on funding issues, review and approval of project budgets, requests for obligations to cover funding agreements, agreement or contract awards, maintenance of agreement and contract filing systems (including agreement instruments, invoices, and accruals), tracking of budgets, review and approval of invoices, performance of periodic site visits to monitor project performance, filing of advanced procurement reports, tracking project performance and status of deliverables, filing recipient performance reports, answering agreement inquiries from auditors, and other related tasks.

VII. Recommendations: Continue this project at FY 2010 funding and staffing levels; revise budget accordingly.

VIII. Project Status: Ongoing

IX. FY 2010 Budget Status

A. Funds Provided: $187,037
B. Funds Expended as of September 30, 2010: $187,037
C. Difference: $0
D. Percent of the FY 2010 work completed, and projected costs to complete: 100%
E. Recovery Program funds spent for publication charges: $0

X. Status of Data Submission (where applicable): Not Applicable

Signed: /s/ Dave Speas  December 20, 2010
Principal Investigator