

**COLORADO RIVER RECOVERY PROGRAM  
FY-2011 ANNUAL PROJECT REPORT**

**RECOVERY PROGRAM  
PROJECT #: 85f FR Sed Mon**

I. Project Title: Gunnison and Green River Basin Sediment Monitoring and Evaluation Program

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III Project Summary: The goal of the sediment monitoring program is to provide information with which the Recovery program can evaluate changes in the magnitude, timing, and size distribution of sediment delivery to the Gunnison and Green River systems and their potential effects on the riverine ecosystem, specifically as they relate to recovery of the endangered fishes. Data collection has been completed and presented in two USGS Reports. The data report was published in 2009 as USGS Data Report DS-409. Interpretive findings were approved as a Recovery Program report in 2011, and publication will occur as a USGS Scientific Investigations Report (SIR) in 2011 or early 2012 (SIR 2011-XXXX, in review).

IV. Study Schedule: Initial Year 2004 Final Year 2011

V. Relationship to Riprap:

General Recovery Program Support Action Plan I.A.3&4  
Gunnison River Action Plan: 1.A. Identify fish habitat and streamflow needs  
Green River Action Plan: 1.A. Identify fish habitat and streamflow needs

VI. Accomplishments for 2011:

USGS SIR was revised following technical review and approved by the Recovery program. The SIR is in the approval stage of the USGS review process and will be published in 2011 or early 2012.

VII. Recommendations: See report, in preparation.

VIII. Project Status: Complete except for final publication of SIR.

IX. Budget Discussion: No FY11 funding.

- X. Status of Data Submissions  
The USGS Data Series Report 409 was published. The USGS Scientific Investigations Report will be published in 2011 or early 2012.
- XI. Signed Cory Williams                      10/19/2011  
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