

COLORADO RIVER RECOVERY PROGRAM  
FY 2019 ANNUAL PROJECT REPORT

RECOVERY PROGRAM  
PROJECT NUMBER:   1  

I. Project Title: Utah Program Management

II. Bureau of Reclamation Agreement Number(s): R19AP00059

Project/Grant Period: Start date (Mo/Day/Yr): 10/01/2018  
End date: (Mo/Day/Yr): 04/30/2023  
Reporting period end date: 09/30/19  
Is this the final report? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No   X  

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IV. Abstract:

The Upper Colorado River Endangered Fish Recovery Program supports multiple projects undertaken by the Utah Division of Wildlife Resources (Division). The work was conducted within two Division Regions in Utah (Northeast, Southeast) as well as by the Aquatics Assistant Chief and staff in Salt Lake City. Additionally, the Division cooperates and coordinates with other agencies and researchers across state boundaries within the Colorado River Basin. Efficient coordination of field activities, reporting of research and monitoring results in a timely manner, and effective program administration, and budgeting requirements requires statewide participation and oversight. Program Management funds allow Utah Division of Wildlife Resources to develop, prioritize, direct, coordinate, monitor and annually evaluate Colorado River fishes work program activities, contracts, and budgets.

V. Study Schedule: FY1986 – ongoing

VI. Relationship to RIPRAP:

General Recovery Program Support Action Plan  
Provide Program Planning and Support.

VII. Accomplishment of FY 2019 Tasks and Deliverables, Discussion of Initial Findings and Shortcomings:

Tasks:

Attend Biology Committee (BC) meetings:

- The Aquatics Assistant Chief was able to attend or participate via conference call at all BC meetings in 2019.

Prepare Federal Aid requests and Recovery Program proposals.

- Salt Lake office staff and regional biologists prepared Recovery Program proposals and Federal Aid requests as applicable in 2019.

Review Recovery Program technical proposals.

- Assistant Chief and Division Staff reviewed and commented on all technical proposals submitted to the Biology Committee for review during 2019.

Develop Recovery Program scopes for approved work.

- Assistant Chief and staff assisted with and coordinated submission of all scopes of work developed by regional personnel for FY 2019.

Administer and oversee approved projects and contracts.

- The Salt Lake office staff directed funding, tracked progress, and created contracts for all project work conducted by the Division.
- Salt Lake and Regional staff tracked budgets and monitored expenses for each of these projects and their associated budgets.

Prepare annual reports for Recovery Program and Federal Aid.

- Salt Lake office staff provided guidance, reviewed, edited where necessary, and submitted annual reports for FY 2019 projects.

Complete other Biology Committee assignments.

- Assistant Chief and regional biologists assembled and presented materials at Biology Committee meetings and completed assignments as requested.
- Assistant Chief, NERO, and SERO Regional Managers worked with FWS ES personnel to complete the draft 10j designation for Colorado Pikeminnow and Bonytail as sportfish (ongoing).
- Assistant Chief maintained funds to rear Colorado Pikeminnow in Wahweap Hatchery with the goal of having >360 mm when the 10j designation process is complete and reservoirs have been identified.

Coordinate program activities within the Section, Division, and among other agencies.

- Assistant Chief met with regional offices several times to track budgets and progress for program activities. Assistant Chief and staff assisted with preparation of scopes of work and organized budgets and scheduling for regions. Assistant Chief maintained contact with PDO and other BC representatives when necessary to keep on task and keep projects running smoothly.

Attend and participate in annual Congressional & Agency briefings in Washington DC.

- Assistant Chief attended congressional, committee, and agency briefings and acted as the biological expert during meetings with Utah, Wyoming, and Colorado staffers and committees.

Review and comment on Recovery Program and agency reports as requested.

- Assistant Chief reviewed and commented on reports submitted to the Biology Committee for review during 2019 as requested.

DELIVERABLES:

Program annual reports: 15 November 2019

Program statements of work and budgets: 15 December 2019

Completion of other tasks as assigned

VIII. Recommendations: Recommend continued support of Program Management.

IX. Project Status: On track and ongoing.

X. FY 2019 Budget Status

- A. Utah Funds Provided: \$159,214
- B. USBR Funds Provided: \$ 29,619
- C. Total Funds Provided: \$188,833
- D. Funds Expended: \$188,833
- E. Difference: \$ 0
- F. Percent of the FY 2019 work completed: 100%
- G. Recovery Program funds spent for publication charges: \$0

XI. Status of Data Submission: N/A

XII. Signed:

Paul Badame 14 November 2019  
Principal Investigator Date