

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF NEW MEXICO

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, for Itself and)
as Trustee for the Zuni Indian Tribe, Navajo Nation)
and Ramah Band of Navajos, and)
and)
STATE OF NEW MEXICO, *ex rel.* State)
ENGINEER,)
Plaintiffs,)

and)
ZUNI INDIAN TRIBE, NAVAJO NATION,)
Plaintiffs-in-Intervention,)

-v-

STATE OF NEW MEXICO, COMMISSIONER)
OF PUBLIC LANDS and A & R PRODUCTIONS,)
et al.)
Defendants.)

01cv072-BB/WDS

ZUNI RIVER BASIN
ADJUDICATION

Subfile No. ZRB-2-0077

NOTICE AND ORDER

The Special Master enters this Notice and Order regarding the non-appearance of Dennis M. Norton and Linda J. Norton at the mandatory May 31, 2011, Scheduling Conference (see Docket No. 2654, May 3, 2011).

Mr. Norton left a message on my answering machine at 8:42 a.m. on May 31. Mr. Norton explained that he had a loose cattle problem, and would be unable to attend a hearing 160 miles away. He suggested that if the hearing were to be held in Fence Lake, he would be able to attend.

A loose cattle problem being good cause for non-attendance at a conference in Albuquerque, I find that Mr. Norton's failure to appear should be excused; and that the disputed Subfile No. ZRB-2-0077 should be included in the next appropriate scheduling conference.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Vickie L. Gabin

SPECIAL MASTER