

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

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA	)	
and	)	07cv00681-BB
ZUNI INDIAN TRIBE	)	
Plaintiffs,	)	ZUNI RIVER BASIN
	)	ADJUDICATION
-v-	)	
	)	
STATE OF NEW MEXICO, ex rel. State	)	<b>Subproceeding 1</b>
ENGINEER, et al.	)	<b>Zuni Indian Claims</b>
Defendants	)	
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**Before Special Master Vickie L. Gabin**

**STATUS REPORT CONCERNING JOINT DOCUMENT DEPOSITORY**

The Plaintiff United States of America (“United States”) via the undersigned counsel, hereby reports on the status of discussions pursuant to Paragraph 3.3 of the Special Master’s January 3, 2008 *Initial Scheduling and Planning Order* (Doc. No. 151) concerning a Joint Document Depository (“JDD”). Since the previous status report filed on February 15, 2008 (Doc. No. 200), counsel for the United States and Defendant New Mexico ex rel State Engineer (“State”) have discussed options for housing a hard copy document depository which would be in addition to the creation of an on-line collection.

Counsel for the State, Mr. Bagley, has confirmed that it will be possible to maintain a document collection at the Office of the State Engineer District I office in Albuquerque at 121 Tijeras NE - Suite 2000. Counsel for the United States and for the State anticipate that this facility will be adequate to house a substantial number of documents, including over-sized maps.

Counsel for the United States has confirmed that the Bureau of Indian Affairs, Division of Natural Resources, at 1001 Indian School Road in Albuquerque, also has adequate space to house a document collection, and has staff who are familiar with the requirements of maintaining a document depository. That facility currently houses a document depository set up for purposes of a Subproceeding concerning Pueblo Indian water rights in New Mexico ex rel. State Engineer v. Kerr-McGee Corp., No CB-83-190-CV & CB-83-220-CV (13<sup>th</sup> D.N.M.), the Rio San José adjudication, and its staff are also familiar with providing access to documents requested in connection with other New Mexico water adjudications, including the five other water adjudications pending before the U.S. District Court.

Counsel for the United States also made inquiries concerning the possibility of housing a document collection at a federal agency office in Gallup, but is awaiting further information concerning those facilities.

A follow-up conference call for those who have previously participated in the Joint Document Depository discussions will be scheduled for the first week of April.

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/s/Bradley S. Bridgewater

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**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I HEREBY CERTIFY that, on March 17, 2008, I filed the foregoing *Status Report Concerning Joint Document Depository* electronically through the CM/ECF system, which caused CM/ECF Participants to be served by electronic means, as more fully reflected on the Notice of Electronic Filing.

AND I FURTHER CERTIFY that on such date I served the foregoing on the following non-CM/ECF Participants by first class mail, postage prepaid:

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