

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

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, and )  
STATE OF NEW MEXICO ex rel. STATE )  
ENGINEER, )  
) )  
Plaintiffs, )  
) )  
and )  
) )  
ZUNI INDIAN TRIBE, NAVAJO NATION, )  
) )  
Plaintiffs in Intervention, )  
) )  
v. )  
) )  
A & R PRODUCTIONS, et al., )  
) )  
Defendants. )  
) )  
\_\_\_\_\_ )

**No. 01CV00072-MV/JHR**  
**ZUNI RIVER BASIN**  
**ADJUDICATION**  
Subfile No. ZRB-1-0148

**NOTICE THAT THE CONSULTATION PERIOD HAS ENDED**

Pursuant to the Special Master’s Procedural and Scheduling Orders, the United States of America (“United States”), with the concurrence of the State of New Mexico ex rel. State Engineer (“State”), hereby notifies **WALTER V. MEECH JR. OR NORMA M. MEECH** that the consultation period for Subfile No. ZRB-1-0148 has ended. **Within twenty (20) days of the date of service of this notice, WALTER V. MEECH JR. OR NORMA M. MEECH, must either:**

1. **sign and accept the last Consent Order offered by the United States and the State for Subfile No. ZRB-1-0148 and return the entire Consent Order to counsel for the United States, OR**
2. **file with the Court and serve on counsel for the United States and for the State a Subfile Answer.**

A form Subfile Answer is provided with this notice. You may use the provided form or prepare your own Subfile Answer. However, in order to satisfy the Court's requirements, your Subfile Answer must:

1. provide the caption and civil action number of this case (No. 01cv00072-MV/JHR) and identify the subfile by the subfile number (ZRB-1-0148),
2. explain your reasons for disagreeing with the Consent Order offered for the subfile by the United States and the State,
3. include a statement that you have made a good faith effort to consult with and resolve the disagreement with the United States and the State, and
4. be properly filed with the Clerk of Court. (If you are represented in this case by an attorney, your Subfile Answer must be filed by your attorney.)

**Failure to properly sign and return the last-offered Consent Order or file and serve a Subfile Answer within twenty (20) days of service of this Notice shall**

**be considered grounds for entry of a default order incorporating the terms jointly proposed by the United States and the State.**

Respectfully submitted,

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**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I HEREBY CERTIFY that, on January 28, 2020, I filed the foregoing *Notice That the Consultation Period Has Ended* electronically through the CM/ECF system, which caused parties or counsel to be served by electronic means, as more fully reflected on the Notice of Electronic Filing.

/s/ Samuel D. Gollis  
Samuel D. Gollis

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SUBFILE ANSWER

COME(S) NOW WALTER V. MEECH JR. OR NORMA M. MEECH
and answer(s) the complaint as follows:

Subfile No: Object Claim No Right
ZRB-1-0148 [ ] [ ]

(Instructions: Initial in one of the two boxes to indicate whether you object to the
description of water right(s) contained in the proposed Consent Order offered by the
United States and the State, or whether you make no claim as to the water right(s)
described in the proposed Consent Order. Provide the appropriate explanation below,
and indicate what you have done to resolve your disagreement with the United States and
the State, in the spaces provided below.)

I (We) object to the description of the water right(s) described by the proposed Consent
Order for Subfile Number ZRB-1-0148 because:
(explain)

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

(Attach additional pages if necessary)

I (We) made a good faith effort to resolve my (our) disagreement with the Consent Order proposed by the United States and the State by:  
(describe)\_\_\_\_\_

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\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

(Attach additional pages if necessary)

I (We) claim no right for the water right(s) described by the proposed Consent Order for Subfile Number ZRB-1-0148 because:  
(explain)\_\_\_\_\_

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\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

(Attach additional pages if necessary)

I (We) understand that by making this claim and filing this document I (we) am (are) not waiving my (our) rights to later raise, in an Amended Answer, any jurisdictional or affirmative defenses I (we) may have.

**(Instructions:** Each named defendant, or the defendant’s attorney, must sign and date this Answer. **If you are represented in this case by an attorney, your Answer must be filed by your attorney.** If multiple defendants are named and you have separate addresses or telephone numbers, please attach an additional page providing address information for each defendant. If you are signing on behalf of a named defendant, you must indicate the source of your legal authority to do so and provide both your address and the address of the named defendant.)

Signature(s) – **WALTER V. MEECH JR. OR NORMA M. MEECH**

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\_\_\_\_\_  
(Address: Print Clearly)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Phone Number: Print Clearly)

**IMPORTANT: Within 20 days of January 28, 2020, you must EITHER accept the last Consent Order offered by the United States and the State for Subfile ZRB-1-0148 OR file an answer in this Subfile with the United States District Court for the District of New Mexico. Any right you may have to use waters of the stream system may be adjudicated by default judgment in conformity with the Consent Order proposed by the United States and the State if you fail to accept the proposed Consent Order or file an answer within 20 days of January 28, 2020. Answers may be mailed to the Clerk of Court at 333 Lomas Blvd NW, Ste. 270, Albuquerque, NM 87102.**