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

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA	)	
Plaintiff,	)	
	)	01cv00072-BDB-ACE
-V-	)	
	)	ZUNI RIVER BASIN
STATE OF NEW MEXICO, ex rel. STATE	)	ADJUDICATION
Engineer, A & R Productions, et al.,	)	
Defendants.	)	
	)	

## ORDER SETTING FIELD TRIP AND STATUS CONFERENCE

THIS ORDER is entered pursuant to Fed. Rs. Civ. P. 16 and 53 to guide the course of the adjudication of the Zuni River Basin.

## FIELD TRIP

The Special Master has requested a number of field trips to view the areas of the Zuni River Basin which will be adjudicated. Because the hydrographic survey will be conducted first in Subareas 4 and 8, the eastern-most areas within the basin, this first field trip will focus on those areas, as well as on Sub-area 7. The Sub-areas are illustrated on the map that will be circulated by the United States of America with this notice and posted on the website (www.zunibasin.com).

WHEN: Friday, April 11, 2003, 9:00 a.m.

WHERE: Water rights claimants who wish to participate must be at the El Morro National

Monument Visitor Center, located off Highway 53, no later than 9:00 a.m.

## **TENTATIVE ITINERARY:**

- 1. Ice Caves/Oso Ridge Area and Tierra Verde Subdivision
- 2. El Morro Ranches Subdivision
- 3. Pine Meadows Subdivision
- 4. Mountain View
- 5. Pine Hill
- 6. Candy Kitchen Subdivision

STATUS CONFERENCE

The Special Master will hold a general status conference Saturday, April 12, 2003, beginning

at 9:00 a.m. at the John F. Kennedy Middle School auditorium, 600 S. Boardman, Gallup, NM ((505)

722-7721).

The purposes of the status conference are to:

1. discuss and receive comments on the legal and procedural elements of this adjudication, including

the following:

a. the draft preliminary procedural and scheduling order

b. the treatment of domestic and stock wells and other small, non-irrigation uses

c. the use of water rights claim forms

2. hear comments from and answer questions of water rights claimants in the basin.

Counsel and technical staff representing the State of New Mexico, ex rel State Engineer and

the United States of America shall be prepared with brief explanations of the criteria used in the

hydrographic survey to determine water rights elements, and the method by which the surface water

drainage boundary of the Zuni River Basin was determined.

The United States of America shall disseminate this Order or such other appropriate notice

in public places throughout the region, including Ramah, Zuni, Grants and Gallup.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

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SPECIAL MASTER VICKIE L. GABIN

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