# 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 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.

No. 01ev00072-MV/LFG

ZUNI RIVER BASIN ADJUDICATION

Sub-areas 4 and 8

Subfile No. ZRB-1-0064

### **CONSENT ORDER**

The Court, having considered the agreement between the Plaintiffs, the United States of America ("United States") and the State of New Mexico ex rel. State Engineer ("State"), and:

#### WALTER LEE MEECH & VICKI J. MEECH

("Defendant") concerning the Defendant's right(s) to use the public waters of the Zuni River Stream System, Sub-areas 4 and 8, as set forth below FINDS:

- 1. The Court has jurisdiction over the United States, the State, the Defendant and the subject matter of this suit.
- 2. As evidenced by the parties' signatures below, the United States, the State, and the Defendant are in agreement concerning all elements of the right(s) of the Defendant set forth in paragraph 4 of this Consent Order to divert and use the public waters of the Zuni River Stream System, Sub-areas 4 and 8. This Consent Order and the parties' respective signatures below evidence the entire agreement between the United States, the State, and the Defendant regarding the elements of the water right(s) adjudicated by this Consent Order.
- 3. There is no just reason to delay entry of this Consent Order as a final judgment between the United States, the State, and the Defendant regarding the elements of the claims of the Defendant adjudicated by this Consent Order.
- 4. The right(s) of the Defendant to divert and use the public waters of the Zuni River Stream System, Sub-areas 4 and 8, is as set forth below:

## STOCK POND

Map Label:

8B-1-SP38

Purpose of Use:

LIVESTOCK

**Priority Date:** 

10/6/1997

Source of Water:

Surface Runoff

Point of Diversion: Not Applicable

NT: i Ass. Badala

Amount of Water:

Depth (ft) 1.0

Surface Area (sq.ft): 201

Storage Impoundment Volume (ac-ft): 0.003

Pond Location: As shown on Hydrographic Survey Map 8B-1

S. 4 T. 09N R. 13W 1/4, 1/16, 1/64: NE SW NE X(ft): 2,610,345 Y(ft): 1,470,772

New Mexico State Plane Coordinate System, West Zone, NAD 1983

## Dam height (if greater than 9 ft)

- 5. Defendant has no right to divert and use the public waters of the Zuni
  River Stream System, Sub-areas 4 and 8, except as set forth in this Consent Order and
  other orders entered by this Court in this cause.
- 6. The Defendant, and Defendant's successors, representatives, heirs and assigns, should be enjoined from any diversion or use of the public waters of the Zuni River Stream System, Sub-areas 4 and 8, except in strict accordance with this Consent Order and other orders of the Court in this cause.
- 7. The water right(s) described herein, if any, are adjudicated as between the United States, the State, and the Defendant, subject to the right of any other water right claimant with standing to object prior to the entry of a final decree.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that the right(s) of the Defendant to divert and use the public waters of the Zuni River Stream System, Sub-areas 4 and 8, are adjudicated as set forth herein, as between the United States, the State, and the Defendant. The Defendant, and Defendant's successors, representatives, heirs and assigns, are hereby enjoined from any diversion or use of the public waters of the Zuni River Stream System, Sub-areas 4 and 8, except in strict accordance with this Consent Order and other orders of this Court in this cause. The Court enters this Consent Order as a partial final judgment, binding on the United States, the State, and the Defendant as to the elements of Defendant's water right(s) set forth herein, subject to the right of any

other water right claimant with standing to object prior to the entry of a final decree,
and subject to the terms of the final decree in this proceeding.
MARTHA VAZQUEZ UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE
Approved:  LORENZO F. GARCIA  UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE
ACCEPTED: WALTER LEE MEECH & VICKI J. MEECH DATE
MUAH, HIM 87021
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