

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

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,	)	
and	)	
STATE OF NEW MEXICO, <i>ex rel.</i> State	)	
ENGINEER,	)	
Plaintiffs,	)	
	)	
and	)	01cv00072-BB-ACE
ZUNI INDIAN TRIBE, NAVAJO NATION,	)	
Plaintiffs-in-Intervention,	)	ZUNI RIVER BASIN
	)	ADJUDICATION
-v-	)	
	)	
A & R PRODUCTIONS, <i>et al.</i>	)	
Defendants.	)	
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ORDER SETTING STATUS AND SCHEDULING 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. The Special Master will hold a status and scheduling conference Thursday, September 21, 2006, at 1:00 p.m., in the Pecos Courtroom, Third Floor, Pete V. Domenici U. S. District Courthouse, 333 Lomas Blvd. NW, Albuquerque, NM. The purpose of this conference is to discuss:

1. the plans of the State of New Mexico, *ex rel.* State Engineer (State) to assume its full share of responsibility for the conduct of this case;
2. the progress of the adjudication of water rights in Sub-Areas 4 and 8, 9 and 10, and 7, and supplemental scheduling, including proposed schedules for litigating contested subfiles;
3. the status of the hydrographic survey report for Sub-areas 1, 2 and 3 and a proposed procedural and scheduling order for those sub-areas;

4. proposed adjudication procedures for the adjudication of the water rights in the Ramah Sub-area (established by Order entered July 21, 2006, Docket No. 766);

5. the information session held July 26, 2006, and suggestions for further such sessions and/or other strategies for informing water rights claimants about the adjudication;

6. the progress of the preparation of water rights claims for the Zuni Indian Tribe;

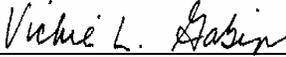
7. the status of the September 10, 2004, Declaration of State of New Mexico Trust Reserved Water Rights filed by the Commissioner of Public Lands for the State of New Mexico; and

8. any other matter relevant to the adjudication of individual water rights claims.

Counsel for the United States of America and the State shall file proposed procedural and scheduling orders for the adjudication of Sub-areas 1, 2 and 3, and for the Ramah Sub-area no later than Monday, September 18.

Counsel for the Commissioner of Public Lands shall be prepared to present a proposed briefing schedule as was requested in the Commissioner's August 15, 2005, Status Report.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

  
SPECIAL MASTER