IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE FIFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF THE STATE OF IDAHO, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF TWIN FALLS

> DEPOSITION OF JERROLD D. GREGG Volumes I and II (Pages 1 through 210)

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- 1 THIS DEPOSITION was taken on behalf of Pioneer
- 2 Irrigation District and Settlers Irrigation District on
- 3 Wednesday, the 30th day of January 2008, at the offices
- 4 of Moffatt, Thomas, Barrett, Rock & Fields, Chartered,
- 5 101 South Capitol Boulevard, 10th Floor, Boise, Idaho
- 6 83702, before Lori A. Pulsifer, Court Reporter and Notary
- 7 Public within and for the State of Idaho, to be used in
- 8 an action pending in the District Court of the Fifth
- 9 Judicial District of the State of Idaho, in and for the
- 10 County of Twin Falls, said cause being Subcase No.
- 11 63-3618 (Lucky Peak Reservoir) in said court.
- The following testimony was adduced, to wit:
- 13 (Exhibit Nos. 1 through 22, inclusive, were
- 14 previously marked for identification by the court
- 15 reporter and are incorporated herein by reference.)
- 16 \* \* \*
- JERROLD D. GREGG,
- 18 having been first duly sworn, testified as follows:
- 19 MR. CAMPBELL: Just as a preliminary matter, we
- 20 talked off the record -- we are now on the record --
- 21 concerning a security letter as it relates to some of
- 22 the documents that the Bureau has made available to us;
- is that correct?
- MR. GEHLERT: In particular, the Water Control
- 25 Manual which I believe is Exhibit 16.
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- 1 THE WITNESS: I will give you the letter, in
- 2 the sense that it's a sensitive document and that we
- 3 would need to be notified before any information was
- 4 released to the public out of the document.
- 5 MR. CAMPBELL: So this --
- 6 THE WITNESS: The enclosure --
- 7 MR. CAMPBELL: Excuse me. Go ahead.
- 8 THE WITNESS: The enclosure goes on the front
- 9 of the document, just to let the folks know that it is a
- 10 sensitive document.
- MR. CAMPBELL: Why don't we get a copy of this
- made so we can make it an exhibit to the deposition?
- Let's go off the record, please.
- 14 (Exhibit No. 23 was marked for identification.)

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- 16 EXAMINATION
- 17 BY MR. CAMPBELL:
- 18 O. Mr. Gregg, I am handing you what has been
- 19 marked as Exhibit No. 23. You described a letter which
- 20 you were handing to me. Is that the letter that you
- 21 described previously?
- 22 A. That's correct.
- MR. CAMPBELL: Let me read it, since it is
- 24 addressed to me. Not having been here this morning, I
- 25 don't know if this was discussed at all.
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- 1 Has the Water Control Manual for 1985, Exhibit
- 2 No. 16, been made available in copies to any other
- 3 counsel?
- 4 MR. GEHLERT: The flood control -- the curves,
- 5 themselves, were provided. They were marked as another
- 6 exhibit this morning.
- 7 MR. CAMPBELL: Are they subject to the same
- 8 restrictions as this correspondence?
- 9 THE WITNESS: Normally, our security officer
- 10 does the review and decides what is restricted and
- 11 what's not. My assumption is they probably would not
- 12 be, but I'm not the one that would make that
- 13 determination. We can check on that.
- MR. CAMPBELL: I just want to make sure that
- 15 the other counsel are informed as to the status of their
- 16 documents, Mr. Gehlert. If you can clarify that, that
- 17 would be helpful.
- 18 MR. GEHLERT: Sure. It is my understanding
- 19 that they are not subject to that, but I will confirm
- 20 that.
- MR. CAMPBELL: And you will communicate that to
- 22 other counsel, as well?
- MR. GEHLERT: Certainly.
- MR. CAMPBELL: Thank you.
- MR. GEHLERT: Sure.

- 1 BY MR. CAMPBELL:
- Q. Thank you, Mr. Gregg. Now, moving forward,
- 3 Mr. Gregg, I would like you to look at what has been
- 4 marked as Exhibit No. 17. Tell me after you have had a
- 5 chance to look through that document.
- 6 A. Okay.
- 7 Q. Have you ever seen a copy of that document
- 8 previously, Mr. Gregg?
- 9 A. I believe I have seen it earlier.
- 10 Q. Before I go into specific questions about that
- 11 document, Exhibit No. 17, I want to sort of back-track a
- 12 little bit. We got a little bit off of the normal
- 13 procedure. First of all, have you ever had your
- 14 deposition taken before?
- 15 A. Yes, I have.
- 16 Q. How many times?
- 17 A. To my knowledge -- in my career? Are you
- 18 talking about in my career?
- 19 O. Just in your lifetime.
- 20 A. In my lifetime? Well, in my career, I think,
- 21 probably three to four times. The most recent one was
- 22 about three years ago.
- 23 Q. Are you familiar with the procedures?
- A. Yes, generally. Generally.
- Q. Let me just refresh you a little bit. I will Deposition of Jerrold D. Gregg, Volumes I and II

- 1 be asking you questions which you need to answer
- 2 verbally. Do you understand that?
- 3 A. Yes.
- 4 Q. Also, if I ask a question that you do not
- 5 understand, please ask me to clarify it. Do you
- 6 understand that?
- 7 A. Yes.
- Q. If you do not ask me to clarify the question, I
- 9 will I assume that you understood the question. Is that
- 10 okay?
- 11 A. Yes. I understand.
- 12 Q. All right.
- 13 A. I do have somewhat of a hearing loss.
- 14 Sometimes I catch parts of sentences; and I may have to
- 15 re-ask you, based on that.
- 16 Q. That's fine. That's fine. I have a soft voice
- 17 today because of whatever -- I don't know. Maybe it is
- 18 the dog that my wife keeps at home. I don't know. So
- 19 we will just try to keep working through those issues.
- 20 Okay?
- 21 A. All right.
- Q. Now, you understand that you are under oath?
- 23 A. Yes.
- Q. That means that your answers have to be
- 25 truthful, to the best of your knowledge?

- 1 A. Yes.
- Q. Do you understand that?
- 3 A. Yes. I understand.
- 4 Q. Also, it is easier for people, particularly
- 5 since we both know each other and we have dealt with
- 6 each other over several years, to sort of have a
- 7 conversational process in a deposition; but that makes
- 8 it really hard for the court reporter.
- 9 So in the context of when I ask a question,
- 10 please wait a moment to make sure that I have finished
- 11 the question because it makes it harder for her to
- 12 really get a correct record. Do you understand that?
- 13 A. Yes. I understand that.
- 14 Q. If you have any physical needs, if you need to
- 15 use the restroom or you need another drink of water or
- 16 you just want to take a break and talk to Mr. Gehlert,
- 17 all you have to do is tell me that you would like to
- 18 take a break. Do you understand that?
- 19 A. Yes.
- Q. Obviously, you know, if Mr. Gehlert objects,
- 21 which he may do to some of my questions -- that is his
- 22 right -- unless he instructs you not to answer the
- 23 question, you should go ahead and answer the question
- 24 after the objection. Do you understand that?
- 25 A. Yes. I understand that.

- 1 Q. Do you have any questions about the process?
- 2 A. No, I do not.
- Q. Good. Now, going back to Exhibit No. 17, if
- 4 you would, sir, that exhibit requests that the United
- 5 States designate a person as the so-called Rule 30(b)(6)
- 6 deponent. My understanding is that you have been
- 7 designated as that individual; is that correct?
- 8 A. I would have to ask my counsel that because I
- 9 don't understand what the term is.
- 10 Q. You are the person who is appearing here today,
- and you have seen Exhibit No. 17 previously; is that
- 12 correct?
- 13 A. Yes. That's correct.
- 14 MR. GEHLERT: Just for clarification, Jerry
- 15 will be speaking on behalf of the United States on the
- 16 subject matters that you have asked to inquire into.
- 17 MR. CAMPBELL: Thank you very much, counsel.
- 18 Q. Now, with regard to Exhibit No. 17, Mr. Gregg,
- 19 it requests that you bring documentation with you, if
- 20 you have any, that pertain to the subject matter that is
- 21 described in Exhibit No. 17. Did you bring any
- 22 documents with you?
- 23 A. Yes, I did.
- Q. Where are they?
- 25 A. They are here in this box.

- 1 Q. Are those documents which can be reviewed by
- 2 me?
- 3 A. Yes.
- 4 MR. CAMPBELL: Why don't we go off the record
- 5 just a moment?
- 6 (An off-the-record discussion was held.)
- 7 BY MR. CAMPBELL:
- 8 Q. Mr. Gregg, we are back on the record. With
- 9 regard to Exhibit No. 17, as we have examined, you have
- 10 produced two sets of a series of documents for our
- 11 examination; is that correct?
- 12 A. That's correct.
- 13 Q. I don't know if we will have time today to ask
- 14 you specific questions concerning these documents, but I
- 15 appreciate your providing them. To the extent that we
- do have time, we may ask you some questions about them.
- 17 For the purposes of Exhibit No. 17, are these
- 18 all of the documents and data, information, that you
- 19 were able to locate as the representative at the Bureau
- 20 of Reclamation concerning the contractual circumstances
- 21 for the three reservoirs on the Boise River?
- 22 A. They are the documents that I have in my
- 23 possession that relate to that. That's correct.
- Q. You, personally?
- A. My office, the Snake River Area Office.

- 1 Q. Are you aware of any other documents that
- 2 pertain to the contractual arrangements among the water
- 3 users, the Corps of Engineers, and the Bureau of
- 4 Reclamation, apart from the documents that you provided
- 5 to me just a few minutes ago?
- 6 A. The only other documents that I would be aware
- 7 of -- prior to any of the repayment contracts being
- 8 signed, there would be correspondence between the water
- 9 users and Reclamation and then internal documents,
- 10 internal letters.
- 11 Q. Internal to the Bureau of Reclamation?
- 12 A. Internal to the Bureau.
- 13 Q. Where would those documents be housed?
- 14 A. Those would be in our Regional Office, in the
- 15 Contracts Section.
- 16 O. Who would be the custodian of those
- 17 documents?
- 18 A. Mr. Ryan Patterson's group. He is Head of
- 19 Contracts and Repayment.
- Q. And are those documents items that you could
- obtain if you requested them of Mr. Patterson?
- 22 A. I would assume so.
- MR. CAMPBELL: We would like to have those
- 24 produced in due course.
- MR. GEHLERT: Okay.

- 1 MR. CAMPBELL: Is there a problem with that?
- 2 MR. GEHLERT: I will reserve the right to
- 3 object after I think about it and have a chance to look
- 4 at them, but I do not anticipate that that will be a
- 5 problem.
- 6 BY MR. CAMPBELL:
- 7 Q. Mr. Gregg, in addition to the documents you
- 8 identified in Mr. Patterson's office, the Regional
- 9 Office of the Bureau, are you aware of any other
- 10 documents or any other information pertaining to the
- 11 operation of the Boise reservoirs in other offices of
- 12 the Bureau of Reclamation, such as the Denver Document
- Repository or in the Washington, DC, office?
- 14 A. I guess I need a little bit of clarification
- 15 because I thought the question was replying to the
- 16 repayment contracts. Now, when you say "operations,"
- 17 that is quite a bit different. So we are talking about
- 18 two different things.
- 19 So are we talking about documents relating to
- 20 the repayment contracts or are we talking about
- 21 documents that relate to operation of the reservoir
- 22 system?
- Q. Well, I think we are talking about both because
- 24 the 30(b)(6) Deposition Notice requests that you bring
- 25 all documents in your care, custody, possession, or

- 1 control relating to this action, meaning this lawsuit.
- 2 So that is much more broad than just the specific
- 3 contracts.
- 4 A. Okay.
- 5 Q. As a consequence, if you misunderstood it to
- 6 mean just as it relates to the individual contracts,
- 7 then I think that was incorrect, from my standpoint.
- 8 A. That was my understanding.
- 9 Q. All right. Well, that is fine. We can pursue
- 10 that later on through your counsel and through
- 11 subsequent follow-up. So I am not upset at all. I just
- 12 want to make sure that that is the understanding.
- 13 A. Okay.
- Q. Now, Mr. Gregg, as it relates to this
- 15 particular deposition, I would like to go through some
- 16 preliminary matters with you. Can you tell me, just
- 17 generally, your education from high school on, in terms
- 18 of colleges you attended and degrees you received?
- 19 A. Okay. I have a Bachelor of Science in
- 20 Agricultural Engineering from South Dakota State
- 21 University. I have about thirty graduate credits from
- 22 Colorado State University and the University of Wyoming
- 23 in Engineering Management.
- Q. And what is your employment history from the
- 25 time you graduated from college?

- 1 A. I spent two and a half years in the United
- 2 States Army, located here in the United States, both on
- 3 the East Coast and in Colorado. After getting out of
- 4 the Army as a Commissioned Officer, I started with the
- 5 Bureau of Reclamation.
- I worked for the Bureau of Reclamation in South
- 7 Dakota, North Dakota, Wyoming, New Mexico; and then I
- 8 transferred here in December of 1987 -- to Boise.
- 9 Q. And when did you start working for the Bureau
- of Reclamation? I just need the year. I don't need the
- 11 exact --
- 12 A. 1975.
- Q. And can you describe, generally, the different
- 14 positions you have held for the Bureau, up to and
- 15 including the present position?
- 16 A. Sure. My first position was a drainage
- 17 engineer on the Owyhee Project in South Dakota,
- 18 designing underground drainage systems.
- In North Dakota, I was in the O&M Section,
- 20 responsible for inspecting reservoirs, doing water
- 21 operations.
- In Wyoming, I was Chief of the Water Operations
- 23 Branch for the North Platte Project which works under
- 24 the North Platte River System.
- In New Mexico, I was Head of a Consolidated O&M

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- 1 Branch. The Rio Grande is one of the few rivers where
- 2 Reclamation has responsibility in the river corridor,
- 3 itself. So I was head of the maintenance section there.
- 4 And in December of 1987, I took the position of
- 5 Project Superintendent for the Central Snake Project
- 6 Office, which were the Reclamation Projects --
- 7 Southwestern Idaho, Eastern Oregon.
- 8 In 1994, in the reorganization
- 9 Reclamation-wide, that office was combined with the
- 10 Minidoka Project Office in Burley. So I was made Area
- 11 Manager for the Snake River Area Office.
- 12 Q. Now, in terms of Area Manager, can you describe
- 13 for me what region of Bureau projects that
- 14 encompasses?
- 15 A. It includes all twelve Reclamation projects on
- 16 the Snake River, from the uppermost project being the
- 17 Palisades Project in Southeastern Idaho and all the way
- 18 to the Lewiston Orchards Project in Northern Idaho.
- 19 It's all of the twelve Reclamation projects on the Snake
- 20 River or its tributaries.
- 21 Q. Now, can you tell me, geographically, where
- 22 that terminates, in terms of -- the Reclamation projects
- 23 do not exist past a certain point on the Snake River?
- 24 A. Lewiston, Idaho.
- Q. Lewiston. And that would include any
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- 1 tributaries to the Snake River from Oregon up to that
- 2 point?
- 3 A. Correct. I mean, we have projects on some of
- 4 the tributaries in Eastern Oregon.
- 5 Q. Thank you. In terms of your present duties,
- 6 have they remained, basically, the same since 1994?
- 7 A. Pretty much.
- Q. Can you describe for me, generally, what those
- 9 duties entail?
- 10 A. Our office is directly responsible for 27 dams.
- 11 We operate -- Reclamation operates -- ten of those.
- 12 Seventeen have been transferred to irrigation districts
- 13 to operate and maintain, but we still retain title. So
- 14 we have oversight responsibilities.
- We operate and maintain five power plants, a
- 16 control center. We have contracts with approximately
- 17 ninety irrigation districts and canal companies on the
- 18 Snake River and its tributaries. So we serve water to
- 19 about 1.2 million acres.
- 20 MR. CAMPBELL: Paul, just for our convenience,
- if you don't mind, if you are going to be typing and
- taking notes, put your phone on mute, please.
- MR. ARRINGTON: Here I am muting it when I
- 24 don't need to and not muting it when I need to. I
- 25 apologize. Thank you.

- 1 MR. CAMPBELL: Thank you.
- 2 MR. ARRINGTON: It's gone. I'm out.
- 3 BY MR. CAMPBELL:
- 4 Q. From the standpoint of your supervisory role,
- 5 how many employees do you supervise?
- 6 A. About 150.
- 7 Q. And in terms of your day-to-day functions, can
- 8 you give me a typical day in the life of Jerry Gregg, as
- 9 the Area Manager? Is that the correct title, "Area
- 10 Manager"?
- 11 A. "Area Manager" is correct. I am certainly
- 12 responsible for -- I have budget and finance
- 13 responsibilities. Like I said, I have operational and
- 14 maintenance oversight on the reserve facilities that we
- 15 operate and maintain.
- 16 Q. What do you mean by "reserve facilities"? I am
- 17 sorry for the interruption.
- 18 A. Those are the facilities that Reclamation
- 19 actually operates and maintains, like Anderson Ranch
- 20 Dam.
- 21 At the power plant, it's our employees that are
- there that turn the valves, that start the power plant,
- 23 et cetera, versus Owyhee Reservoir where we have
- 24 transferred O&M responsibilities to the Owyhee
- 25 Irrigation District or Lake Lowell that the Board of Deposition of Jerrold D. Gregg, Volumes I and II

- 1 Control operates and maintains.
- 2 Q. Okay.
- 3 A. So reserve facilities are the ones where
- 4 Reclamation employees are actually at the facility
- 5 operating and maintaining the facility.
- 6 Q. I see. I sort of cut you off. Is there
- 7 anything --
- 8 A. I spend a lot of time in endangered species
- 9 activities and producing biological assessments, bi-ops,
- 10 and so on.
- 11 Q. Negotiations?
- 12 A. Negotiations, yes. Yes.
- Q. With respect to your duties when you first came
- 14 to Idaho for the Bureau of Reclamation in 1987, did
- 15 those duties include any oversight or management of the
- 16 Bureau of Reclamation's functions with respect to the
- 17 Boise River Reservoirs and Dams?
- 18 A. Yes. As Project Superintendent, I was
- 19 responsible for the Boise Project, which is on the Boise
- 20 River and the Payette. We have facilities in both
- 21 Basins.
- Q. Well, this particular action, as you are aware,
- 23 involves only the Boise River. So I am going to
- 24 restrict my continuing questions to that aspect of the
- 25 Boise Project. So do you understand?

- 1 A. That's correct.
- Q. In terms of the operations of the three
- 3 reservoirs and dams on the Boise River -- Anderson
- 4 Ranch, Arrowrock, and Lucky Peak -- can you tell me when
- 5 you first became familiar enough with those operations
- 6 to understand the contractual obligations that the
- 7 Bureau of Reclamation had with the various irrigation
- 8 entities in the Boise River Valley?
- 9 A. I'm certainly not an expert. I came here in
- 10 December of '87; and, certainly, my first probably
- 11 several years were a learning experience. 1988 was a
- drought year but, essentially, 1988 and 1989.
- 13 Q. And in terms of the number of irrigation
- 14 entities that have contractual relationships with the
- 15 Bureau of Reclamation for any of the three Boise River
- Reservoirs, can you give me a number of how many
- 17 irrigation entities have contracts of varying sorts?
- 18 A. They are in the exhibits. May I look at the
- 19 exhibits?
- 20 O. Sure.
- 21 A. They are in the first page of this exhibit,
- 22 right here. Would you like me to count them?
- 23 Q. That was the question.
- 24 A. Okay. If I count correctly, there are 26 that
- 25 have repayment contracts in either the Anderson,
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- 1 Arrowrock, or Lucky Peak irrigation contracts. Then we
- 2 have one, two, three which I would call M&I contracts
- 3 out of Anderson -- Anderson and Lucky Peak.
- 4 Q. By M --
- 5 A. No. I -- correct.
- 6 Q. Excuse me.
- 7 A. There are three that are M&I contracts, or
- 8 irrigation service contracts to municipal entities, out
- 9 of the three -- Anderson and Lucky Peak.
- 10 Q. And that is "M" as in "magic" and "I" as in
- "industrial;" is that right?
- 12 A. Two of them are M&I contracts, which is
- 13 municipal and industrial, out of Anderson Ranch. And
- one is United Water for urban irrigation.
- 15 Q. And in terms of the number of irrigation and
- 16 other entities that have contractual relationships with
- 17 the Bureau of Reclamation, have you had occasion to
- 18 review any of the contracts involving any of those
- 19 entities during the course of your employment since 1987
- 20 with the Bureau?
- 21 A. I have reviewed some of them but not all of
- 22 them.
- Q. All right. Well, as you are probably aware,
- 24 this particular proceeding deals with the contracts, at
- least from my standpoint, of Pioneer and Settlers
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- 1 Irrigation Districts relating to the three reservoirs on
- 2 the Boise River.
- Have you, in the past, ever reviewed any of the
- 4 contracts that those two Irrigation Districts have with
- 5 the Bureau of Reclamation?
- 6 A. I have reviewed some of their contracts.
- 7 Q. Which ones? Do you recall?
- 8 A. The Anderson Ranch contract, the Anderson Ranch
- 9 repayment storage contract, the 1954 contract that
- incorporates flood control, the water service contracts,
- and then, of course, the new repayment contracts out of
- 12 Lucky Peak.
- Q. And have you reviewed any of the contracts
- 14 involving Arrowrock?
- 15 A. A long time ago. It's been quite sometime
- 16 since I have read some of the Arrowrock contracts.
- 17 Q. I would like to have you turn your attention
- 18 to Exhibit No. 3 which I will dig out here, hopefully.
- 19 Here we go. Mr. Gregg, I am handing you what has been
- 20 marked as Exhibit No. 3.
- 21 Would you please, generally, review that? You
- don't need to read each word at each point in time
- 23 because, if I ask you any question concerning specific
- 24 language, I will have you read that language at that
- 25 time.

- 1 A. Okay.
- Q. Do you recognize Exhibit No. 3?
- 3 A. Yes.
- 4 Q. Can you tell me if you can identify what that
- 5 document is?
- 6 A. It's a Memorandum of Agreement between the
- 7 Corps of Engineers and the Bureau of Reclamation,
- 8 essentially outlining the boundaries of our joint
- 9 operation of the three reservoirs for flood control and
- 10 irrigation.
- 11 Q. The three reservoirs on the Boise River?
- 12 A. Right. The three reservoirs on the main stem
- 13 of the Boise River.
- Q. Are there other --
- 15 A. Lake Lowell is upstream storage.
- 16 Q. Of course, there is some storage behind
- 17 Diversion Dam; is that correct?
- 18 A. We don't have storage right there, but there is
- 19 some storage during the irrigation season.
- 20 O. Incidental?
- 21 A. Incidental storage.
- Q. With respect to Exhibit No. 3, Mr. Gregg, have
- 23 you -- I think you answered this, but I just want to
- 24 make sure that I recall the answer correctly. Have you
- 25 had occasion to review Exhibit No. 3 prior to this

- 1 deposition today?
- 2 A. No, I have not.
- 3 O. You have never reviewed --
- 4 A. I have reviewed it before. Prior? Okay.
- 5 Q. That is what I am saying.
- 6 A. I'm sorry. I didn't understand your question.
- 7 Q. That is fine. Can you tell me whether or not
- 8 you are familiar with what the terms of Exhibit No. 3
- 9 contain -- excuse me -- "are" not "contain." Do you
- 10 know the terms? Are you conversant with what is
- 11 contained in Exhibit No. 3?
- 12 A. I would say, from a layman's standpoint. I am
- 13 certainly not an expert on it, though.
- 14 Q. From your standpoint as Area Manager,
- 15 currently, and your prior position as Snake River
- 16 Projects Manager --
- 17 A. Project Superintendent.
- 18 O. Project Superintendent. I am sorry. Thank you
- 19 for correcting me. Were you involved in considering the
- 20 provisions of Exhibit 3 at any point in time?
- 21 A. Well, a good portion of this document has been
- 22 replaced by the Water Control Manual. So most of the --
- 23 at least the hydrologic information, from my
- 24 understanding, that is contained in here was replaced in
- 25 the '85 Water Control Manual. That's what that second Deposition of Jerrold D. Gregg, Volumes I and II

- 1 MOU states. So, you know, basically, I relied more on
- 2 the '85 Water Control Manual than this document.
- 3 Q. And in terms of the 1985 Water Control Manual,
- 4 is that, generally, Exhibit No. 16?
- 5 A. Correct.
- 6 Q. And if you would like to review that, feel
- 7 free, before you say that this is the document. I am
- 8 not trying to fool you. I just want to make sure that
- 9 you have the chance to look at the document before you
- 10 say, yes, this is it.
- 11 A. This is not part of the document.
- 12 Q. And you are talking about the first four
- 13 pages?
- MR. GEHLERT: Can we go off the record for a
- 15 second, Scott?
- MR. CAMPBELL: Yes.
- 17 (An off-the-record discussion was held.)
- 18 BY MR. CAMPBELL:
- 19 Q. Mr. Gregg, I think you mentioned that there
- 20 were some pages that were not part of the Water Control
- 21 Manual; is that correct?
- 22 A. That's correct.
- 23 Q. Can you estimate the number of pages at the
- 24 front of the document that are not, in your mind, part
- of the Manual?

- 1 A. It's about six or seven pages that are not part
- 2 of the Water Control Manual.
- Q. What is the first page, from your standpoint,
- 4 that is part of the Water Control Manual? What is the
- 5 title at the top of it?
- 6 A. Revisions that were done in November of 1993.
- 7 Q. What does the exact caption say at the top?
- 8 A. "Water Control Manual Revisions for Boise River
- 9 Reservoirs."
- 10 Q. Thank you. Now, sir, as I recall your
- 11 testimony, you indicated that, when you came on board
- 12 for the Snake River Project as the Snake River
- 13 Project --
- 14 A. Central Snake.
- 15 Q. I am sorry. It is too complicated for me. I'm
- 16 not bright enough to grasp those terms. When you first
- 17 started working for the Bureau of Reclamation in 1987 in
- 18 Idaho, your view was that the 1985 Water Control Manual
- 19 was really the controlling document for operation of the
- 20 three Boise River on-stream reservoirs; is that correct?
- 21 A. It was one of the -- it was one of the
- 22 documents.
- 23 Q. What other documents did you rely upon to make
- 24 your determinations with regard to those reservoir
- 25 operations?

- 1 A. Well, the repayment contracts between the
- 2 contractors and the United States.
- Q. Okay.
- 4 A. The 1954 Act and the planning report attached
- 5 to it.
- 6 Q. You say, the 1954 Act?
- 7 A. Right. That's one of the exhibits that
- 8 authorized Reclamation and the Corps to operate as one
- 9 system.
- 10 Q. And anything else?
- 11 A. The authorization for the projects which are
- 12 very --
- Q. What do you mean by --
- 14 A. The Congressional authorizations for, like, the
- 15 Boise Project which are fairly old but still in play.
- 16 Q. And what do you mean by "authorizations"
- 17 exactly? What does that term mean, to you?
- 18 A. Well, the Reclamation projects are authorized
- one at a time by -- like, the Boise Project was
- 20 authorized by a Secretarial Order in, I believe, 1905.
- 21 Then the Boise Project was added on to from time to
- 22 time, some by Secretarial Order, some by Presidential
- 23 Order, and then some by Congress.
- Q. So they are different documents or different
- 25 documentation of what the authority for the Project

- 1 would be in a particular circumstance?
- 2 A. To construct different features of the
- 3 Project.
- 4 Q. So it varies, depending upon the history of a
- 5 particular feature?
- 6 A. That's correct.
- 7 Q. All right. In terms of the authorizations that
- 8 you were referring to, does that apply to all of the
- 9 authorizations for all of the facilities for Anderson
- 10 Ranch, Arrowrock, and Lucky Peak?
- 11 A. Specifically, the ones I reviewed were Anderson
- 12 Ranch and Arrowrock but not Lucky Peak since it was
- 13 authorized by the Corps of Engineers.
- 14 Q. Lucky Peak was authorized by the Corps of
- 15 Engineers?
- 16 A. Yes. It's not a Reclamation facility.
- 17 Q. I am confused by that last response and I don't
- 18 want to --
- 19 A. I mean, authorized by Congress but built by the
- 20 Corps of Engineers.
- 21 Q. Thank you for clarifying that. With respect to
- 22 the reservoir operations of the Boise River on-stream
- 23 reservoirs -- you answered this, but I want to give you
- 24 another opportunity to answer -- what role or what
- 25 significance did you attribute to Exhibit No. 3, as it
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- 1 relates to the operations?
- 2 A. Well, like I said, to me, it set the boundaries
- 3 of the joint operation because in 1953 and 1954, the
- 4 three reservoirs were incorporated into one system to be
- 5 operated as one system primarily for irrigation, flood
- 6 control, power to Anderson Ranch. So this set the
- 7 boundaries of that concept.
- 8 Q. And I would like to explore that term just a
- 9 little bit more. What do you mean exactly by
- 10 "boundaries"? Can you define that a little bit more for
- 11 me?
- 12 A. Well, the general operating parameters.
- 13 Q. And in terms of the provisions of Exhibit 3,
- 14 did you ever consider those provisions to be controlling
- 15 over any of the other documents that you described as
- 16 items that you referred to with respect to the reservoir
- 17 operations on the Boise River?
- 18 A. That's really a legal question that I wouldn't
- 19 be qualified to answer.
- 20 Q. Let me ask a different question. You
- 21 mentioned, as I recall, that the Water Control Manual of
- 22 1985 was the basic document you used; is that correct?
- 23 A. What I said was that '85 -- most of the
- 24 provisions of the '53 MOU was incorporated into the
- 25 Water Control Manual in 1985. Some of the '53 MOU is Deposition of Jerrold D. Gregg, Volumes I and II

- 1 still in place.
- 2 A lot of it was incorporated and expanded on in
- 3 the 1985 Water Control Manual that sets the parameters
- 4 of how we operate for flood control, a list of repayment
- 5 contracts that were done up to that time. It has the
- 6 flood control rule curves. I believe that's what I
- 7 stated -- or tried to state.
- 8 Q. And you referred to the 1953 Memorandum of
- 9 Agreement. That's Exhibit No. 3; correct?
- 10 A. Correct.
- 11 Q. Now, in terms of that last statement, as it
- 12 relates to incorporation of some or most of the terms of
- 13 Exhibit 3 into Exhibit No. 16, which is the Water
- 14 Control Manual, how are you familiar with that process
- 15 having been completed, that is, that transfer, that move
- of provisions of Exhibit 3 into Exhibit No. 16?
- 17 A. Well, it's stated in the 1985 MOU, if I may
- 18 refer to that exhibit.
- 19 MR. CAMPBELL: Sure. Let's go ahead and mark
- 20 it since you would like to refer to it.
- 21 (Exhibit No. 24 was marked for identification.)
- 22 THE WITNESS: Paragraph (f) at the end of the
- 23 document states -- and I'll read it, if that's okay --
- 24 "All terms and provisions of the Memorandum of Agreement
- 25 dated 20 November 1953, which is Exhibit 3, "not
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- 1 inconsistent with this Memorandum of Understanding and
- 2 the Water Control Manual shall remain in full force and
- 3 effect."
- 4 So my understanding of that is any terms that
- 5 are not inconsistent with the new terms in the Water
- 6 Control Manual are still in effect. Those that were
- 7 replaced are inconsistent and no longer apply.
- 8 BY MR. CAMPBELL:
- 9 Q. Now, let me rephrase that because I think you
- 10 said it two different ways. I just want to make sure
- 11 that I understand exactly what you said.
- Based upon Exhibit 24, Paragraph (f) on Sheet
- 13 3, your view is that, to the extent that the Water
- 14 Control Manual, Exhibit No. 16, is inconsistent with
- 15 Exhibit No. 3, the Water Control Manual governs?
- 16 A. Correct.
- 17 Q. Thank you. Now, in terms of the process for
- 18 the preparation and adoption of the Water Control
- 19 Manual, Exhibit No. 16, you were not involved in that,
- 20 were you?
- 21 A. That's correct. I was not.
- 22 Q. Do you know when that process occurred?
- 23 A. Generally, it occurred after the 1974 flood on
- 24 the Boise River. So it was after 1974 and, of course,
- 25 prior to 1985. I believe that the State of Idaho, the Deposition of Jerrold D. Gregg, Volumes I and II

- 1 Bureau, the Corps, and the water users spent about four
- 2 years developing the new Water Control Manual.
- 3 Q. You mentioned the water users. Do you know
- 4 specifically who the water users were?
- 5 A. No.
- 6 Q. And what do you base that statement upon that
- 7 the State of Idaho and the Corps and the water users and
- 8 the Bureau of Reclamation worked on this process for
- 9 four years?
- 10 A. There is actually a 1974 report that was
- 11 written that led up to the Water Control Manual. So it,
- 12 generally, very briefly, talks about the process -- not
- in a lot of detail. The other information I just heard
- 14 second-hand, so I don't know how reliable it is.
- 15 Q. Second-hand from individuals at the Bureau?
- 16 A. At the Bureau and the State.
- 17 Q. And "the State" being what exactly?
- 18 A. The Water Resource Department.
- 19 Q. Do you recall specific individuals that you
- 20 heard these comments from?
- A. No, I don't.
- 22 Q. In terms of the process for the adoption of the
- 23 Water Control Manual, do any of the documents that you
- 24 brought today, apart from Exhibit No. 25, relate to that
- 25 process?

- 1 A. No, I don't believe they do.
- 2 Q. Do you know, personally, if there are
- documents, correspondence, or information, in written or
- 4 electronic form, that relates to that process of the
- 5 adoption of the 1985 Water Control Manual?
- 6 A. No, I don't. The Corps of Engineers, of
- 7 course, was the lead agency. I don't know if they would
- 8 have it in our files. Our filing system -- of course, a
- 9 lot of those memos have been purged from the files. We
- 10 have record retention policies. So I would say most of
- 11 them are gone now.
- 12 Q. Now, what do you base that upon?
- 13 A. Based that upon?
- 14 Q. Yes. You said that you would think that most
- of those documents were purged from your filed. What do
- 16 you base that upon? You say there is a document
- 17 retention policy?
- 18 A. We were not the lead agency. It's not like a
- 19 repayment contract which we have to keep permanently.
- 20 Unless some designation was made to keep a memo or a
- 21 letter, normally, after so many years, they are purged
- 22 from our files.
- Q. How many years?
- 24 A. I don't know.
- Q. Who would know that in your agency?

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- 1 A. It would be somebody in the Regional Office
- 2 that's responsible in the Property Section.
- 3 Q. And what is the Property Section?
- 4 A. There was --
- 5 Q. Is that the same as the Repayment Section?
- 6 A. No, it's not.
- 7 Q. So do you know who is in charge of the Property
- 8 Section?
- 9 A. I know who is in charge of the property but not
- 10 necessarily the records.
- 11 Q. Who is that?
- 12 A. Bruce Cassidy is the Manager of the Property
- 13 Section. After so many years, letters are either purged
- or, if they have certain significance, they are sent to
- 15 the Archives.
- 16 O. The Archives are where?
- 17 A. Some in Denver, some in -- the Bureau's
- 18 Archives are in Denver. The National Archives are in
- 19 Washington, DC.
- 20 Q. And if anyone would know if there are documents
- 21 that pertain to the adoption of the Water Control
- 22 Manual, Exhibit No. 16, Mr. Cassidy would be the best
- 23 source, as it relates to the Bureau of Reclamation?
- A. Yes. There is a process to get copies of those
- 25 records, if they are available.
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- 1 Q. And you did not have any discussion with
- 2 Mr. Cassidy concerning any of those documents --
- 3 A. No.
- 4 Q. -- before you came here today --
- 5 A. No.
- 6 Q. -- did you?
- 7 A. No, I didn't.
- 8 Q. Wait until I finish, please.
- 9 A. Okay. I'm sorry.
- 10 MR. CAMPBELL: It's better for Lori.
- 11 And we would request any documents that pertain
- 12 to that process that Mr. Gregg has described concerning
- 13 the adoption of the Water Control Manual of 1985.
- 14 THE WITNESS: Like I said, again, the Corps of
- 15 Engineers was the lead agency.
- 16 MR. CAMPBELL: I am not saying that they
- 17 weren't, Mr. Gregg.
- 18 MR. GEHLERT: We will check with Mr. Cassidy
- 19 and see what's available here.
- MR. CAMPBELL: Thank you.
- MR. GEHLERT: If they have been sent to the
- 22 Denver Archives Center, they are public documents.
- 23 Anyone is welcome to go in there and root through them
- 24 and find them, as they see fit.
- 25 MR. CAMPBELL: That is fine, just as long as we Deposition of Jerrold D. Gregg, Volumes I and II

- 1 know where they are.
- Q. In terms of the information that you personally
- 3 have about the process of the adoption of the Water
- 4 Control Manual of 1985, do you know anyone with the
- 5 Bureau of Reclamation that actually participated in that
- 6 process?
- 7 A. I think everybody that participated is now
- 8 retired.
- 9 Q. That is fine. I don't care if they are
- 10 retired.
- 11 A. Dan Yribar, who was Head of Water Operations at
- 12 the time, may have participated.
- 13 Q. How do you spell his last name?
- 14 A. Y-r-i-b-a-r.
- 15 Q. What was his title?
- 16 A. I believe, at the time, it was Chief of Water
- 17 Operations Branch.
- 18 O. For the Regional Office?
- 19 A. For the Regional Office.
- Q. Anyone else that you think may have
- 21 participated, in terms of the Bureau of Reclamation?
- 22 A. The past Planning Officer may have, Mr.
- 23 Vinsonhaler.
- Q. Pardon me?
- 25 A. Mr. Vinsonhaler.

- 1 0. Is that the last name?
- 2 A. Yes. I'm not sure I can spell that.
- Q. V-i-n-s-o-n-h-a-l-e-r; right?
- 4 A. That's as good as I can --
- 5 Q. That's close enough. Okay. And he is the
- 6 Planning Director?
- 7 A. He was the Planning Chief at that time.
- 8 Q. Is that Planning Section or how do you say --
- 9 A. It was the Planning Division at that time.
- 10 Q. Planning Division Chief. Okay. Anyone else
- 11 that you can think of?
- 12 A. Not that I -- a lot of those folks retired
- 13 before I came here.
- Q. The name that I have seen is Ron Golus. Do you
- 15 know if he participated?
- 16 A. He participated in the Power Modification
- 17 Studies. I'm not sure he participated in developing the
- 18 Water Control Manual. He was in Planning at the time.
- 19 He worked for Mr. Vinsonhaler at the time.
- Q. Anyone else that you can think of?
- 21 A. Max Van den Berg may have. I'm not sure. The
- 22 other person that would have been involved is deceased
- 23 at this time.
- 24 O. Who is that?
- 25 A. That was Joe Wensman.

- 1 Q. Joe Wensman?
- 2 A. Uh-huh.
- Q. W-i-n
- 4 A. W-e-n-s-m-a-n, Wensman.
- 5 Q. What about John Keyes?
- 6 A. I believe this was developed -- it was,
- 7 essentially, done by the time Mr. Keyes came here. He
- 8 came here in, I believe, 1984. So it was probably
- 9 pretty close to being done by the time he came here.
- 10 O. All right. What was Mr. Wensman's --
- 11 A. You know, my predecessor, Bob Brown, would have
- 12 been involved; but he is also deceased.
- 13 Q. How about Neil Stessman?
- 14 A. Neil would have come here about the time it was
- 15 being completed, too. Neil came in eighty -- he became
- 16 Project Superintendent in 1984. He was Head of Water
- 17 and Land. He may have been. He may have been.
- 18 O. Do you know if he is still with the Bureau?
- 19 A. He is retired.
- Q. Do you know what Mr. Wensman's position was?
- 21 A. He was a Water Operations Specialist within the
- 22 Water Operations Branch.
- Q. Is that the Area Office or the Regional
- 24 Office?
- 25 A. Regional Office. He was in the Regional Deposition of Jerrold D. Gregg, Volumes I and II

- 1 Office.
- 2 Q. Based upon the second-hand descriptions that
- 3 you received about the process of development of Exhibit
- 4 No. 16 -- you were not there; I understand that. Based
- 5 upon what you have been told or what you have gleaned,
- 6 do you know what the process actually was, in terms of
- 7 the meetings, the studies, or anything along those
- 8 lines?
- 9 A. The part I do have some knowledge on is I know
- 10 there was an extensive look at developing new flood
- 11 control rule curves because, prior to that, Reclamation
- 12 had operated on more of a fill-and-spill-type operation.
- In 1974, we almost lost control of the River.
- 14 We had to sandbag the emergency spillway at Lucky Peak.
- 15 So the Governor issued a Proclamation saying we are not
- 16 going to do that anymore. That's when the process
- 17 started.
- 18 I know there was a lot of technical work done
- on redoing the flood control and the irrigation field
- 20 criteria in the Water Control Manual. How that was
- 21 done, I don't know. That was the gist of it.
- 22 Q. Actually, I can confirm that you did sandbag
- 23 the spillway in 1974 because I was living here.
- 24 A. Did the National Guard help do that? That's
- 25 the story I heard.

- 1 Q. I can't answer the question.
- 2 A. Okay.
- 3 Q. In terms of Exhibit No. 25, Mr. Gregg --
- 4 MR. GEHLERT: Just for clarification, I think
- 5 it is Exhibit No. 24.
- 6 MR. CAMPBELL: I am sorry. Thank you. I
- 7 appreciate that, counsel.
- 8 MR. GEHLERT: You are welcome.
- 9 BY MR. CAMPBELL:
- 10 Q. In terms of Exhibit No. 24, any prior reference
- in which I may have misspoken and called it "Exhibit 25"
- 12 should have been "Exhibit 24." Mr. Gregg, can you tell
- me how you acquired a copy of this document, since you
- 14 brought it with you today?
- 15 A. It is included in our Water Control Manual in
- 16 my office.
- 17 Q. So this is actually part of the Water Control
- 18 Manual; is that correct?
- 19 A. The Water Control Manual is part of this
- 20 document, the way this is written.
- 21 Q. All right. Very well. I appreciate that
- 22 clarification. And can you tell me who L. W. Lloyd
- 23 was -- or is?
- A. He was the Regional Director at the time, in
- 25 1985.

- 1 Q. And George Robertson was the Brigadier General
- of the Army Corps of Engineers; is that correct?
- 3 A. That's what the document says.
- 4 Q. If you know --
- 5 A. I don't know.
- 6 Q. Thank you. Mr. Gregg, I would like you to look
- 7 at Exhibit No. 3 again, if you would, please. In terms
- 8 of the language of Exhibit No. 3, I would like you to
- 9 direct your attention to page 2, the first full
- 10 paragraph. If you would, read that first full paragraph
- 11 on page 2 to yourself.
- 12 A. Starting with "Whereas"?
- 13 Q. "Whereas." You don't need to read it outloud.
- 14 It is fairly lengthy. I just want you to tell me when
- 15 you have finished reading it so I can ask you some
- 16 questions about it.
- 17 A. Okay.
- 18 MR. GEHLERT: Scott, before we begin this line
- of inquiry, if I can just note for the record, Jerry
- 20 will give you his interpretation of what that means; but
- it, obviously, includes an element of law and would be
- 22 subject to review and confirmation by appropriate legal
- 23 authorities.
- 24 MR. CAMPBELL: I understand.
- MR. GEHLERT: Okay.

- 1 BY MR. CAMPBELL:
- Q. Have you read the paragraph, Mr. Gregg?
- 3 A. Yes, I have.
- 4 Q. From the standpoint of your position since 1987
- 5 as the employee of the Bureau of Reclamation who has
- 6 authority over the operations of the three reservoirs on
- 7 the Boise River, in conjunction with the Water Control
- 8 Manual and Exhibit No. 3, I would like to ask you what
- 9 your view of the phrase -- that is, what meaning you
- 10 attributed to the phrase -- at the end of that paragraph
- 11 that says, "...local interests concerned with flood
- 12 control and the use of irrigation water..."
- 13 A. My layman's interpretation of this paragraph is
- 14 talking about -- essentially, what this is talking about
- is incorporation of the three reservoirs to operate as
- one system for flood control and irrigation.
- I think the last part of that sentence talks
- 18 about working with those that were concerned with flood
- 19 control because this followed the 1943 flood through
- 20 Boise which generated the interest to get the facility
- 21 built.
- Of course, we had repayment contract folks in
- 23 the Arrowrock and Anderson for strictly irrigation. So
- 24 I think this is recognizing that you are going to have
- 25 to combine those -- if we do have a joint operation, you

- 1 are going to have to combine those interests.
- Q. Just so I understand what I think I heard you
- 3 say, the local interests that were concerned with flood
- 4 control on the use of irrigation water could have been
- 5 two different sets of local interests? Is that what you
- 6 are saying?
- 7 A. Some of them could have been different sets of
- 8 interests. Some of them may have been the same.
- 9 Q. And the interests that relate to the use of
- 10 irrigation water, based upon what I heard you say, would
- 11 be the entities that had irrigation storage contracts
- 12 with the Bureau of Reclamation in Anderson Ranch
- 13 Reservoir and Arrowrock Reservoir; is that correct?
- 14 A. And Lake Lowell.
- 15 Q. And Lake Lowell?
- 16 A. And Lake Lowell.
- 17 Q. What about those entities that had natural flow
- 18 water rights? Would they be included within that
- 19 description, as far as you are concerned?
- 20 A. Well, most of the folks -- I don't know if
- 21 there are any natural flow users outside of the folks
- 22 that have repayment contracts for storage. So I don't
- 23 know the answer to that.
- Q. All right. Mr. Gregg, have you ever had
- occasion to examine any of the historic documents, other Deposition of Jerrold D. Gregg, Volumes I and II

- 1 than those that you have brought with you, as it relates
- 2 to the factual circumstances surrounding the negotiation
- 3 and execution of Exhibit 3?
- 4 A. The only thing that I have had available to me
- 5 that I have read is the one exhibit, the 1953 Planning
- 6 Report that was sent to Congress, as a back-up document,
- 7 back-up information to get the 1954 Act passed.
- 8 MR. CAMPBELL: Let's go off the record for just
- 9 a minute. Let me get that.
- 10 (Recess.)
- 11 (Exhibit No. 25 was marked for identification.)
- 12 BY MR. CAMPBELL:
- 13 Q. Mr. Gregg, I have had Exhibit No. 25 handed to
- 14 you. Can you please tell me if you can identify that
- 15 document?
- 16 A. Actually, the front part of the document is a
- 17 Congressional Act dated August 24, 1954.
- 18 O. And the rest of the document?
- 19 A. The rest of the document is a Planning Report,
- 20 essentially, laying out revised allocation of costs for
- 21 features on the Payette Division and the Arrowrock
- 22 Division of the Boise Project.
- 23 Q. And this is a document you brought with you
- 24 today; is that correct?
- 25 A. That's correct.

- 1 Q. And this is the document you referenced in your
- 2 prior testimony about the Planning Report for the Lucky
- 3 Peak, Arrowrock, and Anderson Revised Operations; is
- 4 that correct?
- 5 A. This Planning Report was put together to go to
- 6 Congress to give us authority to operate the three
- 7 reservoirs as one system and, also, for Congress to
- 8 write off some of the irrigators' debts for flood
- 9 control.
- 10 Q. We are talking about Anderson Ranch?
- 11 A. And Arrowrock.
- 12 Q. And Arrowrock, okay. And in this document,
- 13 Exhibit No. 25, the Act of Congress is the first page.
- 14 Is that the Congressional Act that was adopted as a
- 15 consequence in part of this Planning Report, as you
- 16 called it?
- 17 A. Yes.
- 18 Q. So, actually, the first page is something that
- 19 was generated by Congress through their process after
- 20 the remaining pages were submitted to them; is that
- 21 correct?
- 22 A. That's correct.
- Q. All right. Turn back to Exhibit No. 24, if you
- 24 would, sir. There is something I just noticed about
- 25 this exhibit. Would you turn to the second page? It is

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- 1 called Sheet 2, C-1.
- 2 A. Second page, C-1? Okay.
- 3 Q. It says "Sheet 2" on the right-hand side.
- 4 A. Okay.
- 5 Q. Would you please read that last paragraph to
- 6 yourself? Tell me when you have finished reading that
- 7 last paragraph on Sheet 2.
- 8 I see you noticing the same thing I noticed,
- 9 Mr. Gregg; that is, I noticed that the last paragraph
- 10 ends mid sentence and the next page does not contain any
- 11 continuation of that sentence. Is that correct?
- 12 A. Well, these are photocopies of the original
- 13 document. On the photocopy, that is correct.
- Q. Do you know of any other version of this
- 15 document that might contain all of that sentence that we
- identified on Sheet 2, Subsection (e)?
- 17 A. I presume both the Corps and our Regional
- 18 Office have an original -- or the Corps of Engineers has
- 19 the original.
- 20 MR. GEHLERT: We are happy to find that. I
- 21 would have picked that up if I would have noticed that.
- MR. CAMPBELL: I understand. I understand. It
- 23 would be nice to have the rest of the story, as it were.
- Q. Mr. Gregg, you can put that document aside.
- Now, in terms of Exhibit No. 3 -- if you could, turn Deposition of Jerrold D. Gregg, Volumes I and II

- 1 your attention to that again -- it is the 1953 MOA.
- 2 Page 2 we were looking at before. Now, from page 2, I
- 3 would like you to go to page 3 of that document. Are
- 4 you there, sir?
- 5 A. Uh-huh.
- 6 Q. Would you please review and read to yourself,
- 7 not outloud, the first full paragraph of page 3 of
- 8 Exhibit No. 3?
- 9 MR. GEHLERT: While he is doing that, I will
- 10 note for the record the same objection that I noted
- 11 earlier.
- MR. CAMPBELL: That is fine.
- THE WITNESS: Uh-huh.
- 14 BY MR. CAMPBELL:
- 15 Q. You have finished reading that first paragraph
- on page 3 of Exhibit 3?
- 17 A. Uh-huh.
- 18 O. Is that a yes?
- 19 A. Yes.
- Q. I am sorry. We do need to make sure it is a
- 21 word that can be transcribed properly.
- In terms of the reference in that paragraph
- 23 to -- and this is the fourth line down from the top, on
- 24 the right-hand side -- it says, "...and various water
- 25 users' organizations serving lands in the Boise
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- 1 Valley..." Do you see that phrase?
- 2 A. Yes.
- 3 Q. From your standpoint as the Area Manager and
- 4 your prior position as the Snake River Project
- 5 Superintendent --
- 6 A. Central Snake.
- 7 Q. Central Snake Project Superintendent?
- 8 A. Yes.
- 9 MR. GEHLERT: Why don't we just say, "In your
- 10 prior job"?
- 11 MR. CAMPBELL: That probably is better.
- 12 Q. What is your interpretation of that phrase,
- 13 "...various water users' organizations serving lands in
- the Boise Valley..."?
- 15 A. My assumption is that it's referring to the
- 16 irrigation districts and the canal companies that divert
- 17 from the Boise River.
- 18 O. Would that category of entities include Pioneer
- 19 Irrigation District and Settlers Irrigation District?
- 20 A. Yes.
- 21 Q. Further down, at the end of that paragraph, it
- 22 states -- well, I am sorry. It's more in the middle of
- 23 the paragraph. I will count the lines down. Five lines
- 24 down, to the right, it starts, "...and there are other
- 25 existing rights..." Do you see that phrase on the
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- 1 right-hand side of the page, five lines down?
- 2 A. Uh-huh.
- Q. If you would, just read that phrase all the way
- 4 to the end of that first paragraph outloud, please.
- 5 A. "...and there are other existing rights in and
- 6 to the use of waters of the Boise River, both stored and
- 7 natural flow, which waters are in part diverted and
- 8 distributed through the transferred works of the Boise
- 9 Project being operated and maintained by the Boise
- 10 Project Board of Control and in part by means of other
- 11 works being operated and maintained by other water
- 12 users' organizations; and..."
- Q. Thank you very much, Mr. Gregg. You are a very
- 14 good reader. The South Dakota schools were very
- 15 effective. In terms of that phraseology, I would like
- 16 to ask you what your understanding is of the phrase,
- 17 "...in part by means of other works being operated and
- 18 maintained by other water users' organizations ..."
- 19 What does that phrase refer to?
- 20 A. Those would be facilities, canals, laterals
- 21 that were not built by Reclamation, built by the canal
- 22 company, or the irrigation district that had the
- 23 diversion rights.
- Q. Thank you. In terms of page 3, the last
- 25 paragraph -- if you would, just read that last paragraph

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- 1 to yourself so I can ask you some questions about the
- 2 language there. Tell me when you have read it.
- 3 A. Yes.
- 4 Q. In terms of the first portion of that
- 5 paragraph, it says, "Whereas, to comply with the
- 6 above-quoted Congressional declaration of operational
- 7 policy in regard to Lucky Peak and Arrowrock Dams..."
- 8 Do you see that?
- 9 A. Yes.
- 10 Q. Do you have an understanding of what that
- 11 phrase refers to?
- 12 A. I'm not real clear what it refers to.
- Q. And then it says, "...to achieve the greatest
- 14 multiple-purpose use of the combined total usable flood
- 15 control and irrigation storage of 983,000 acre-feet of
- 16 water in all three reservoirs, a coordinated plan of
- operation is necessary for this reservoir system on the
- 18 Boise River..." et cetera, et cetera.
- Do you have an understanding of what the terms
- 20 "a coordinated plan of operation" means?
- 21 A. Yes.
- 22 Q. And what would your understanding be, as it
- 23 relates to this document?
- A. It's, essentially, jointly operating the system
- for both flood control and irrigation versus Reclamation

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- 1 operating Anderson and Arrowrock almost entirely for
- 2 irrigation.
- 3 There was a small amount of flood control in
- 4 Anderson Ranch. The Corps operating Lucky Peak just for
- 5 flood control -- you could get additional benefits by
- 6 operating the facilities as one system.
- 7 Q. And that is what this coordinated plan of
- 8 operation is referring to, as far as you are
- 9 interpreting it?
- 10 A. That's my understanding.
- 11 Q. All right. Thank you. Turn to page 4 of the
- 12 same exhibit, please. If you would, read the first full
- 13 paragraph and tell me when you have finished it. Read
- 14 it to yourself.
- 15 A. Yes. I have read it.
- 16 O. Now, the first and second lines of that
- 17 paragraph refer to "successful operation of this
- 18 coordinated irrigation and flood control plan". Do you
- 19 see that? Do you see that phrase?
- 20 A. Yes. Yes.
- 21 Q. Now, is that phrase different than the phrase
- 22 we just talked about on page 3, "a coordinated plan of
- 23 operation, " in your mind?
- A. No. They are one in the same. That is my
- 25 understanding.

- 1 Q. And then the first paragraph says, at the end
- of Line 2, quote, "This coordinated irrigation and flood
- 3 control plan will call for the cooperation and
- 4 assumption of responsibilities by the two Departments
- 5 and the water users having storage rights in the
- 6 reservoir system, and that there is need for a policy of
- 7 mutual coordination, information, and assistance in its
- 8 performance, "end quote. Did I quote that correctly?
- 9 A. Yes.
- 10 O. In terms of your understanding, can you tell me
- 11 what your understanding of the phrase "the water users
- 12 having storage rights in the reservoir system" means?
- 13 A. That was the irrigation districts or canal
- 14 companies that had storage rights or storage contracts
- 15 with Reclamation and Arrowrock and Anderson Ranch
- 16 Reservoirs.
- 17 Q. To your knowledge, would that include Pioneer
- 18 Irrigation District and Settlers Irrigation District?
- 19 A. Yes.
- 20 Q. And can you tell me whether or not you are
- 21 aware of a written, quote, "policy of mutual
- 22 coordination, information, and assistance in its
- 23 performance"?
- A. My assumption is that that's this document, the
- 25 1953 MOU. That's what this is talking about.
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- 1 Q. Do you know of any other written documents that
- 2 relate to this language that I just read?
- 3 A. No, I don't.
- 4 Q. Do you know, from a standpoint of the history
- 5 of your involvement with the operation of the three
- 6 reservoirs on the Boise River, how -- excuse me -- not
- 7 how -- if this language that says "a policy of mutual
- 8 coordination, information, and assistance in its
- 9 performance, " end quote, has been carried out?
- 10 A. Could you repeat the question?
- 11 Q. Sure. I will try to. Do you know, from the
- 12 standpoint of your involvement since 1987 in the
- operation of the three reservoirs on the Boise River,
- 14 whether or not the, quote, "policy of mutual
- 15 coordination, information, and assistance in its
- 16 performance, " end quote, has been implemented or carried
- 17 out by the Bureau of Reclamation?
- 18 A. Yes. The Bureau and the Corps jointly managed
- 19 the reservoir system, as outlined in the 1985 Water
- 20 Control Manual.
- 21 Q. Is there anything else that institutes this
- 22 phrase, as far as your actual knowledge in the last
- 23 twenty years that you have been in charge of the
- 24 Bureau's function of the reservoirs?
- 25 A. Not that I'm aware of.

- Q. On page 4 still, Paragraph 2, starting with,
- 2 "The plan of operation," if you would, read that.
- A. Just to back up to your previous question, the
- 4 1944 Flood Control Act that gives Reclamation the
- 5 authority to contract irrigation storage out of a Corps
- 6 facility probably would fit within the guidelines time.
- 7 Q. Thank you. Turn to Paragraph 2 on page 4 of
- 8 Exhibit 3, if you would, please. Please read that and
- 9 tell me when you have finished reading.
- 10 A. Yes. I have read it.
- 11 Q. Mr. Gregg, we have talked about this
- 12 so-called -- first, on page 3, it is called "coordinated"
- 13 plan of operation." Then on page 4, it is called
- 14 "coordinated irrigation and flood control plan." You
- 15 said those two phrases are, basically, the same thing.
- 16 Do you recall that statement?
- 17 A. Yes.
- 18 Q. And then it is called, in Paragraph 2 on page
- 19 4, "the plan of operation." So it is yet a third term.
- Now, from your standpoint and your understanding, is
- 21 that the same plan as the other two references?
- 22 A. I'm not real sure.
- 23 Q. Okay.
- 24 A. In Paragraph 2, on page 4, I believe it is
- 25 specifically talking about the criteria that follow Deposition of Jerrold D. Gregg, Volumes I and II

- 1 that's during the flood control season, probably
- 2 November until flood control is over. It's not talking
- 3 about the main part of the irrigation season, which is
- 4 July until the end of the season.
- 5 O. That is fine. In terms of the rest of that
- 6 sentence in Paragraph No. 2 on page 4 of Exhibit 3, can
- 7 you tell me your understanding, given that answer, of
- 8 the remaining portion of the phrase that says "...of the
- 9 respective general operating plans of the parties
- 10 hereto..."?
- 11 A. I'm not real sure. I'd probably need a
- 12 contract specialist to take a look at that. I think
- what this is saying is that this will go into effect
- 14 when we actually start operating Lucky Peak Reservoir.
- 15 This agreement was signed prior to Lucky Peak being
- 16 completed.
- 17 Q. Okay.
- 18 A. So if I understand this, from a layman's
- 19 standpoint, I think this says that this would go into
- 20 effect once you actually, physically start operating
- 21 Lucky Peak Reservoir.
- 22 Q. I appreciate that. Are you aware of what the
- 23 respective general operating plans of the Bureau of
- 24 Reclamation and the Corps of Engineers are, as it
- 25 relates to this document, Exhibit 3?

- 1 A. My assumption is that this is talking about
- 2 any operating criteria that the Bureau of Reclamation
- 3 may have had for Anderson Ranch and Arrowrock, such as
- 4 is contained in the 1943 storage contracts, talking
- 5 about operations in the flood control at that time.
- 6 Q. I appreciate that. So is it correct for me to
- 7 state that, as far as your knowledge is concerned on
- 8 behalf of the Bureau of Reclamation, there is no
- 9 document that you are aware of that is described as the
- 10 general operating plans, or the general operating plan,
- 11 for operation of the three reservoirs on the Boise
- 12 River?
- 13 A. Not to my knowledge.
- 14 Q. Thank you. Turn to page 5 of Exhibit 3, if you
- 15 would, please.
- 16 A. Yes.
- 17 Q. Actually, you will have to start on page 4. It
- 18 is numbered Paragraph 3. I would like you to read
- 19 numbered Paragraph 3 and tell me when you have finished
- 20 reading that. It goes on to page 5.
- 21 A. Yes.
- Q. Now, on page 5, I would like to ask you a
- 23 couple of questions, if I may. It talks about the
- 24 operation of the three reservoirs on page 4 and it talks
- 25 about the total volume of storage available -- or total
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- 1 capacity, it says, in acre-feet.
- 2 And then on the top of page 5, it is referring
- 3 to this total capacity. It says, quote, "...will be
- 4 operated primarily in the interests of irrigation and
- 5 flood control and secondarily in the interests of power,
- 6 as governed by forecast of run-off." Did I read that
- 7 portion correctly?
- 8 A. Yes.
- 9 Q. From the standpoint of your responsibilities
- 10 over the last twenty years for the Bureau of
- 11 Reclamation, how do you interpret that language?
- 12 A. My understanding, from a layman's perspective,
- is that, essentially, we are using the same space for
- 14 irrigation store and flood control. So it's saying we
- 15 will use forecasts and flood control rule curves to
- 16 determine when we release water for flood control.
- 17 Then after that part of the season is over, we
- 18 will refill that space for irrigation storage. So we
- 19 are using the same space for two different purposes.
- Q. I am not trying to quibble with you, Mr. Gregg.
- 21 I just want to understand your answer. Can you tell me
- 22 what part of that phrase that I read at the top of page
- 23 5 of Exhibit 3 talks about rule curves?
- 24 A. It doesn't mention rule curves here. It
- 25 mentions run-off forecasts.

- 0. What is a run-off forecast as it relates to
- 2 this document? Do you know?
- 3 A. A run-off forecast is -- both Reclamation and
- 4 the Corps of Engineers, starting in January, prepare
- 5 run-off forecasts. So they are mathematical projections
- 6 based on what the snow pack is at that time.
- 7 Let's say, January 1st, what the snow pack is,
- 8 and then assuming either normal or above-normal or
- 9 below-normal precip in July, then it's a forecast of
- 10 what the run-off is going to be, and then operational
- 11 decisions are made on those forecasts.
- 12 Q. Based upon your knowledge -- I am not asking
- 13 you to speculate. Based upon your knowledge, when this
- 14 document, Exhibit 3, was prepared, was that the
- 15 procedure that the Bureau and the Corps of Engineers
- 16 used at that time?
- 17 A. It's much different today, I believe. It's
- 18 much more sophisticated today, of course, with computers
- 19 and more data, than it was back then. It's similar.
- Q. The concept is, basically, the same?
- 21 A. The concept is, basically, the same.
- 22 Q. All right. Further down in that paragraph, on
- 23 page 5 of Exhibit 3, in Subsection (c), it talks about
- 24 96,000 acre-feet at Anderson Ranch and 26,000 acre-feet
- 25 in Lucky Peak being reserved for dead storage and
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- 1 maintenance of minimum power head.
- 2 Then it says, quote, "...maintenance of
- 3 permanent pools for the preservation and propagation of
- 4 fish and wildlife and for silt control, "end quote. Did
- 5 I read that correctly?
- 6 A. That's correct.
- 7 Q. From your perspective as the Bureau of
- 8 Reclamation person in charge of the -- in ultimate
- 9 charge of the reservoir operations for the Bureau of
- 10 Reclamation, what does the phrase "maintenance of
- 11 permanent pools for the preservation and propagation of
- 12 fish and wildlife mean?
- 13 A. When we went to Congress to authorize the
- 14 project, there was a small amount of benefit given to
- 15 having a small dead pool in the reservoir -- I believe
- 16 it was 29,000 acre-feet -- for fisheries and then, also,
- 17 the cumulation of silt.
- 18 Q. Now, did you say "reservoir" or "reservoirs"?
- 19 A. "Reservoir." I am talking about Anderson
- 20 Ranch.
- 21 O. Okay.
- 22 A. And then Lucky Peak does also have -- I believe
- 23 it's an active space, 26,000.
- Q. All right. And then the last sentence of that
- paragraph states, quote, "The above designated 983,000
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- 1 acre-feet or any part thereof in storage at the end of
- 2 each flood season will be primarily considered as
- 3 available for irrigation except as such amount must be
- 4 reduced by evacuation requirements for flood control,"
- 5 end quote. Did I read that correctly?
- 6 A. Yes.
- 7 Q. From the standpoint of your position as the
- 8 person with the Bureau of Reclamation in charge of
- 9 operation of the Bureau reservoirs on the Boise River
- 10 and the irrigation function on Lucky Peak Reservoir,
- 11 what is your understanding of that particular phrase
- 12 that I just read to you?
- A. My understanding is, essentially, it's
- 14 recognizing that all of the space, the 983,000, could be
- 15 used for flood control. Again, a large amount of that
- 16 space had been contracted for irrigation.
- 17 So at the end of the flood control season, the
- 18 space would be refilled and the water use for
- 19 irrigation. The last part of the sentence, I believe,
- 20 refers that -- you may not totally refill the system.
- 21 Q. From your standpoint, this phrase only pertains
- 22 to space in the reservoir system on the Boise River that
- is under contract through the Bureau of Reclamation?
- A. No. I think the 983,000 is all of the
- 25 contracted and uncontracted space.

- 1 Q. Thank you. On page 5, at the bottom, Mr.
- 2 Gregg, would you read that last paragraph, continuing on
- 3 to page 6?
- 4 A. Yes. I have read it.
- 5 Q. Thank you. Now, as it relates to that
- 6 paragraph, Mr. Gregg, it talks about an agreement of the
- 7 Chief of Engineers, the Commissioner of Reclamation, and
- 8 the watermaster.
- 9 Can you tell me what your understanding is of
- the reference to the term "the watermaster" on page 5,
- 11 Paragraph 5, and what that refers to?
- 12 A. The Boise River Watermaster, District 63
- 13 Watermaster, selected by the water users.
- Q. And it continues to talk about agreement among
- 15 those three individuals concerning acceptable methods of
- 16 forecasting seasonal run-off volumes for the Boise River
- 17 above Diversion Dam; is that correct?
- 18 A. Correct.
- 19 O. And it indicates that this forecasting process
- 20 will "...determine the volume of run-off that may be
- 21 expected in the drainage area tributary to the Boise
- 22 River above Diversion Dam;" is that right?
- 23 A. Correct.
- Q. And then any differences in those forecast
- amounts have to be reconciled to arrive at a common Deposition of Jerrold D. Gregg, Volumes I and II

- 1 forecast within 48 hours after the basic data for
- 2 forecasts are available. Is that a correct paraphrasing
- 3 of that phrase?
- 4 A. That's what the sentence says.
- 5 Q. From your knowledge in your position at the
- 6 Bureau of Reclamation since 1987, do you know if any of
- 7 these procedures described in Paragraph 5 involving the
- 8 Commissioner of Reclamation, the Chief of Engineers, and
- 9 the watermaster actually were performed?
- 10 A. Well, first of all, this may be one of the
- 11 sections that was replaced in the '85 Water Control
- 12 Manual.
- 13 Q. I understand that.
- 14 A. But there is a procedure that we do do joint
- 15 forecasting. We do forecasts of the Boise River -- the
- 16 Corps of Engineers does -- and those are reconciled into
- 17 a coordinated forecast.
- 18 Q. My question, though, is: Before this document,
- 19 Exhibit No. 3, was modified -- and I don't care which
- 20 phrase you use -- incorporated into, supplanted,
- 21 whatever phrase is appropriate, by the 1985 Water
- 22 Control Manual -- do you know if the procedures
- 23 described in Paragraph 5 on pages 5 and 6 that we have
- 24 been talking about were ever instituted by the three
- 25 individuals described in the paragraph?
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- 1 A. I have second-hand knowledge that there were
- 2 coordinated forecasts, but I don't know what procedure
- 3 was followed.
- 4 Q. Do you see the remaining portion of that
- 5 paragraph, starting with the phrase, "To facilitate
- 6 forecasting of run-off..."
- 7 A. Yes.
- Q. It talks about, "...mutually satisfactory
- 9 arrangements will be made among the Chief of Engineers,
- 10 the Commissioner of Reclamation, and the State of Idaho,
- 11 after consultation with the interested water users'
- organizations to expand the existing hydrologic
- 13 network..." et cetera, et cetera, et cetera. Did I read
- 14 that quoted provision correctly?
- 15 A. Correct.
- Q. What I want to know, Mr. Gregg, is: From your
- 17 knowledge in the last twenty years in your position for
- 18 the Bureau of Reclamation and in your position as the
- designated 30(b)(6) deponent, do you know whether or not
- 20 the Bureau of Reclamation, under the language that I
- 21 just quoted from Paragraph 5 of Exhibit 3 -- did the
- 22 Bureau of Reclamation ever conduct consultation with,
- 23 quote, "the interested water users' organizations"?
- A. Well, this paragraph is talking about expanding
- 25 the hydrologic network, which I assume is the river
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- 1 gauging stations; the snow-pack-measuring stations, or
- 2 the snow tail sites; the stations, what we call the
- 3 hydromet, where we use satellites to uplink our storage
- 4 contents of our reservoirs.
- When I came on board, that had already been
- 6 done. Those systems were in place. I don't know what
- 7 the consultation process was.
- 8 Q. So is your answer that you do not know if there
- 9 was any consultation with the water users' interests?
- 10 Is that your answer?
- 11 A. That's correct. Prior to 1987, I do not know.
- 12 Q. And, again, we have talked about this phrase,
- 13 "the interested water users' organizations." What does
- 14 that phrase mean, to you?
- 15 A. My assumption is that those are the water
- organizations that had repayment contracts with the
- 17 United States, because they would pay part of the costs.
- 18 Q. And repayment contracts regarding the reservoir
- 19 space in the three reservoirs on the Boise River; is
- 20 that correct?
- 21 A. At this time, it was only two reservoirs
- 22 because we hadn't contracted any water at Lucky Peak in
- 23 1953.
- O. So Anderson Ranch and Arrowrock?
- 25 A. Yes.

- 1 Q. Thank you, Mr. Gregg. I know this is going to
- 2 take some time. It might be best if we went off the
- 3 record after I ask the question. But I would like you
- 4 to read Section 6 of Exhibit No. 3 that goes on for --
- 5 gosh -- it goes on and on and on and on until
- 6 page 13, at the top. Do you see what I am referring to?
- 7 A. Yes.
- 8 MR. CAMPBELL: Let's go off the record and let
- 9 you do that.
- 10 (Recess.)
- MR. CAMPBELL: I will make a note on the record
- 12 that we are convening at 9:30 tomorrow morning for the
- 13 continuation of Jerry Gregg's deposition, and we will
- 14 try to adjourn at approximately 4:30 this afternoon.
- 15 Q. Mr. Gregg, have you had a chance to review the
- 16 portions of Exhibit 3 which I asked you to review?
- 17 A. Yes, I have.
- 18 Q. And I am not going to go into great detail;
- 19 but, Mr. Gregg, this section of Exhibit 3 appears to
- 20 describe an operating plan or a flood control operating
- 21 plan or something along those lines. Is that an
- 22 accurate characterization of that portion of Exhibit 3?
- 23 A. I would say it's flood control operating
- 24 criteria.
- Q. And from your knowledge, based upon your Deposition of Jerrold D. Gregg, Volumes I and II

- 1 experience since 1987 on the Boise River Reservoir
- 2 System, do you know if this set of procedures was
- 3 followed before the 1985 Water Control Manual was
- 4 adopted?
- 5 A. No, I do not know.
- 6 Q. Do you know -- well, let me ask you this
- 7 question. Are you familiar with the procedures set
- 8 forth in the 1985 Water Control Manual as it relates to
- 9 flood control operations of the three reservoirs on the
- 10 Boise River?
- 11 A. I am familiar with the general operations. I
- 12 am certainly not an expert on flood control curves and
- 13 how they are developed.
- Q. Are you familiar, generally, with what is
- 15 contained, as far as procedures and steps described in
- the 1985 Water Control Manual, Exhibit No. 16?
- 17 A. Yes. But it's been a long time. It's been a
- 18 while since I have read the whole document.
- 19 Q. I sympathize with that. Can you tell me if you
- 20 know how the provisions of the 1985 Water Control Manual
- 21 differ, as contrasted with the provisions of Section 6
- 22 of Exhibit 3?
- 23 A. No, I can't.
- Q. You have no understanding at all how they may
- 25 differ?

- 1 A. The only thing I know is we start
- 2 forecasting -- well, this one says January 1st.
- 3 Generally, from a layman's standpoint, I believe the new
- 4 rule curves start us operating a lot sooner than these
- 5 criteria would have, as the criteria --
- 6 Q. Are these -- excuse me. I'm sorry.
- 7 A. By the criteria in this 1953 MOU.
- 8 Q. That is Exhibit 3?
- 9 A. Exhibit 3.
- 10 Q. By "the criteria," you mean the language
- 11 contained in Section 6 of the document?
- 12 A. Correct.
- Q. Mr. Gregg, if you would, turn to page 9 of
- 14 Exhibit 3, please. Under Subsection (d), if you would,
- 15 please, read the first full sentence of that section
- 16 outloud.
- 17 A. "The evacuation of the active capacity in the
- 18 reservoirs will be made in the following order: First,
- 19 from Lucky Peak; second, from Arrowrock; and, last, from
- 20 Anderson Ranch."
- 21 Q. Do you know what the term "evacuation of the
- 22 active capacity in the reservoirs means?
- 23 A. We mean releasing the water stored in the
- 24 active capacity below Lucky Peak Reservoir.
- Q. And is this phrase tied to the process for Deposition of Jerrold D. Gregg, Volumes I and II

- 1 emptying water from the reservoirs for flood control
- 2 space purposes?
- 3 A. That's my understanding. That's what this
- 4 phrase referred to.
- 5 Q. And can you tell me if the operation of the
- 6 reservoirs for flood control specified in the 1985 Water
- 7 Control Manual provides for the same order of evacuation
- 8 of the three reservoirs?
- 9 A. No. I believe it's different.
- 10 O. Do you know how it is different?
- 11 A. The evacuation, depending upon the forecast,
- 12 may be -- you may be evacuating water from two or all
- 13 three at the same time, depending on the year.
- Q. So from your understanding of the 1985 Water
- 15 Control Manual, Exhibit No. 16, the procedure followed
- in at least the first sentence of Subsection (d) on page
- 9 of Exhibit 3 is not followed; is that correct?
- 18 A. That's correct. That's correct.
- 19 Q. Thank you. And if you would, turn to page 10
- of Exhibit 3, please. I am counting from the top line,
- 21 one, two, three, four, five, six, seven, eight, nine --
- 22 the tenth line down from the top. It starts with the
- word, "Filling."
- 24 A. Uh-huh.
- Q. And I quote, "Filling of the three reservoirs Deposition of Jerrold D. Gregg, Volumes I and II

- 1 will follow..." I'm sorry. You gave a non-specific
- 2 verbal response.
- 3 A. Oh, yes.
- 4 Q. So you are where I am? Okay.
- 5 "Filling of the three reservoirs will follow
- 6 the reverse of the evacuation schedule to the extent
- 7 that water is available at each of the respective
- 8 sites." Did I read that correctly?
- 9 A. Yes.
- 10 Q. And by "evacuation schedule," can you tell me
- if that refers to the portion of Subsection (d) that we
- talked about on page 9 of Exhibit 3?
- 13 A. That's my assumption.
- Q. And do you know if this particular procedure is
- 15 currently followed by the Bureau of Reclamation and the
- 16 Corps of Engineers, as described in the 1985 Water
- 17 Control Manual?
- 18 A. No. The 1985 Water Control Manual has a
- 19 different refill schedule.
- Q. Do you know what that is?
- 21 A. Again, it's depending on the run-off and the
- 22 forecast. You may be filling all three reservoirs at
- 23 the same time. The '85 Control Manual allocates,
- 24 depending upon the year, a certain percentage of flood
- 25 control space to be in various reservoirs.
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- 1 Lucky Peak is the last reservoir to be filled.
- 2 You don't follow this exact schedule of filling this
- 3 reservoir and then the next reservoir. Sometimes we are
- 4 filling all three at the same time.
- 5 Q. Just to follow up on that, does the 1985 Water
- 6 Control Manual then provide for some set of criteria
- 7 that would allow multiple variations in how the
- 8 reservoirs are refilled? Is that correct?
- 9 A. It does provide some criteria, but it also
- 10 gives a flexibility for the Corps of Engineers and the
- 11 Bureau to make decisions depending upon how the run-off
- 12 is coming off. You cannot predict every certain
- 13 situation.
- Q. Oh, I understand that.
- 15 A. So it gives general criteria and then gives us
- 16 some operational flexibility to make decisions.
- 17 Q. I appreciate that. Is there anything in the
- 18 1985 Water Control Manual that specifically requires the
- 19 Bureau and the Corps of Engineers to refill any of the
- 20 three Boise River Reservoirs in a particular order each
- 21 year?
- 22 A. There is criteria that reserves 60,000 in Lucky
- 23 Peak to be the last to fill, and that's as you are
- 24 nearing peak storage. Depending upon the weather, you
- 25 can have, you know, some bumps in the river.

- 1 So there was 60,000 acre-feet set aside in
- 2 Lucky Peak to be the last to fill in the system. Other
- 3 than that, I would have to go back and review the Water
- 4 Control Manual and see.
- 5 Q. Right as you sit here today, you do not recall
- 6 any other specific limitation on any of the reservoirs,
- 7 as far as refill, except for that 60,000 acre-feet?
- 8 A. Except in evacuating water and making a
- 9 forecast. You always try to keep your water highest in
- 10 the system. So we don't release water out of Anderson.
- 11 That would be -- we make sure that we can try to refill
- 12 that, you always try to keep your water as high in the
- 13 system as you can.
- Q. I understand. With regard to the 60,000
- 15 acre-feet that you talked about, is that part of the
- 16 so-called in-stream-flow water, or space, in Lucky Peak?
- 17 A. Streamflow Maintenance Account, yes.
- 18 O. That is what you call it?
- 19 A. Streamflow Maintenance Account.
- 20 Q. All right. Continuing on after the sentence
- 21 that I quoted to you about filling the three reservoirs,
- 22 on page 10 of Exhibit 3, I would like to read the rest
- 23 of that paragraph to you.
- I quote, "In the event Anderson Ranch or
- 25 Arrowrock Reservoirs are not filled by reason of having Deposition of Jerrold D. Gregg, Volumes I and II

- 1 evacuated water for flood control, storage in Lucky Peak
- 2 will be considered as belonging to Arrowrock and
- 3 Anderson Ranch storage rights to the extent of the space
- 4 thus remaining unfilled at the end of the storage season
- 5 but not to exceed the amount evacuated for flood
- 6 control, "period, end quote. Did I read that phrase
- 7 correctly?
- 8 A. Yes.
- 9 Q. Have you any kind of understanding of what that
- 10 particular phrase means in the context of operation of
- 11 the Boise River Reservoirs?
- 12 A. Yes.
- Q. What is your understanding?
- 14 A. That means, during the flood control
- operations, after the season is over, the flood control
- 16 season, if we have made releases such that the
- 17 contracted storage space in Anderson and Arrowrock has
- 18 not filled, that portion that has not filled due to
- 19 flood control, that water is then made up from Lucky
- 20 Peak Reservoir.
- 21 Q. Based upon your knowledge of the 1985 Water
- 22 Control Manual, is that provision of Exhibit 3 that we
- 23 just talked about included within the 1985 Water Control
- 24 Manual?
- 25 A. I'm not sure.

- 1 Q. Based upon your operational experience over the
- 2 last twenty years for the Bureau of Reclamation, do you
- 3 have an understanding as to whether or not this
- 4 particular concept set forth on page 10 of Exhibit 3
- 5 relating to refill of space in Arrowrock and Anderson
- 6 and flood control adjustments -- do you know if that has
- 7 actually been done by the Bureau of Reclamation over the
- 8 past twenty years?
- 9 A. Yes, it has.
- 10 Q. And what is your understanding in that regard
- 11 based upon?
- 12 A. It's based on the provisions in the 1954
- 13 contracts between Reclamation and the Arrowrock and
- 14 Anderson space holders.
- Q. Well, since you made reference to that, let's
- 16 go ahead and turn our attention to that document. This
- 17 is Exhibit 4. I will, hopefully, get the right one.
- 18 Mr. Gregg, I am handing you what has been
- 19 marked as Exhibit 4. If you could, just review that
- 20 document, generally, to familiarize yourself. You do
- 21 not need to read each word.
- 22 A. Yes.
- 23 Q. You have done that?
- 24 A. Yes.
- Q. All right. Can you tell me what the document Deposition of Jerrold D. Gregg, Volumes I and II

- 1 is, please?
- 2 A. It's a contract between -- it's a supplemental
- 3 contract between Reclamation and -- well, this contract
- 4 is with Pioneer Irrigation District.
- 5 Q. Is that one of the 1954 contracts that you were
- 6 describing just previously in your testimony?
- 7 A. Yes.
- Q. Turn your attention to Exhibit No. 5, if you
- 9 would, please. This is this document. If you would, do
- 10 the same thing there. Review that, just generally, and
- 11 tell me if you can identify that.
- 12 A. Yes.
- 13 Q. Now, what is that, sir?
- 14 A. That's the 1954 Supplemental Contract between
- 15 the United States and Settlers Irrigation District.
- 16 Q. And in terms of the adjustment that you were
- 17 talking about that has been done by the Bureau of
- 18 Reclamation and, at certain times, during the course of
- 19 your twenty years in your positions with the Bureau of
- 20 Reclamation in Idaho, can you tell me what provisions of
- 21 either one of those contracts you are referring to when
- 22 you describe in your testimony the adjustment that is
- 23 reflected or required by those contracts?
- A. In Exhibit 4, it's Article 7, page 4.
- Q. And is there any particular portion of that or Deposition of Jerrold D. Gregg, Volumes I and II

- 1 the entire Section 7?
- 2 A. It's the entire Section 7.
- 3 Q. In terms of Section 7 in Exhibits 4 and 5, I
- 4 assume the same provision is in both documents; is that
- 5 correct?
- 6 A. It appears to be the same.
- 7 Q. In the context of your statement that this
- 8 provision has been implemented -- I am paraphrasing. If
- 9 I am mistaken about what you have said, please correct
- 10 me. I am trying to get there, not having a photographic
- 11 memory like, probably, your counsel has.
- 12 In terms of the adjustment for irrigation
- 13 storage contracts in Arrowrock and Anderson Ranch
- 14 Reservoir that have been made by the Bureau of
- 15 Reclamation as a result of the flood control operations
- that you have described, documented by Paragraph 7 in
- 17 Exhibits 4 and 5, can you tell me whether or not the
- 18 Bureau has followed the procedures set forth in
- 19 Paragraph 7 of Exhibits 4 and 5 -- is that what you are
- 20 saying -- over the last twenty years, in certain
- 21 instances where the circumstances have dictated that
- 22 being necessary?
- A. Yes, we have.
- Q. So the provisions of Paragraph 7 is what the
- 25 Bureau has followed? Is that your testimony?

- 1 A. Except for the last paragraph -- well, except
- 2 for the last paragraph. There isn't a separate meeting,
- 3 but we do do the accounting and make the changes. We
- 4 have done the crediting, to my knowledge, four times
- 5 since I've been --
- 6 Q. What do you mean by "the last paragraph"? I am
- 7 not following you, sir.
- 8 A. "Determinations under this article shall be by
- 9 a committee..."
- 10 O. Is that on page 5?
- 11 A. Yes.
- 12 Q. And is that nine lines from the top?
- 13 A. Correct.
- 14 Q. And going to the end of the paragraph? Is that
- 15 what you are telling me? From "Determinations" to the
- end of the paragraph is the portion of Paragraph 7 that
- 17 has not been implemented?
- 18 A. I wouldn't say it hasn't been implemented, but
- 19 the procedures are a little more expansive than is laid
- 20 out here.
- Q. What do you mean by "a little bit more
- 22 expansive"?
- 23 A. Well, understand that the watermaster would be
- 24 the first that does the water accounting, does the
- 25 actual measurement on the river, the gauges, puts that

- 1 information into the Idaho Department of Water
- 2 Resources' accounting model and runs that, I believe, on
- 3 a weekly basis during the irrigation season and would be
- 4 the first one to know if this has occurred, if we have
- 5 released water and we have not refilled Arrowrock and
- 6 Anderson due to flood control. That would be
- 7 immediately after flood control operations.
- 8 Q. Okay.
- 9 A. So what has happened, at least since I have
- 10 been Project Superintendent or Area Manager, is the
- 11 watermaster has contacted myself, the State.
- 12 And if you do follow Sections (a) and (b) and
- 13 there is water that is to be credited to Arrowrock and
- 14 Anderson, we have done that prior to the water accruing
- 15 to the Lucky Peak Storage Account.
- 16 At the end of the season, the watermaster
- 17 prepares all of the water records for the Boise River.
- 18 It's presented to the Advisory Board, which I am a
- 19 member of and which the other members of the Committee
- are members of.
- 21 That information is then accepted or not. Then
- 22 it goes to the annual meeting and is presented to all of
- 23 the water users. Essentially, the credit is given right
- 24 during the middle of the irrigation season.
- 25 If you follow this, the water users wouldn't Deposition of Jerrold D. Gregg, Volumes I and II

- 1 get their credit until the end of the year. That is one
- 2 interpretation of this. It's not a well-written
- 3 section, in my humble opinion.
- 4 Q. Clients should never criticize their lawyers
- 5 like that, Mr. Gregg.
- 6 A. Mr. Gehlert didn't write this section, I'm
- 7 pretty sure.
- 8 Q. I am sure he didn't. Thank you for that
- 9 clarification. With respect to the process that you
- 10 have described, as to the adjustment by the Watermaster
- and the Advisory Board and all of the rest of that, is
- 12 that the procedure that has been used in certain years
- 13 since you came on board in 1987 on the Boise River
- 14 System?
- 15 A. Well, I have been a member of the Advisory
- 16 Board since 1988. The watermaster has, every year,
- 17 presented the water records.
- 18 O. I am not talking about that. I am talking
- 19 about the adjustment because there has been a shortfall
- 20 due to flood control operations.
- 21 A. Well, the adjustment, since I have been Project
- 22 Superintendent or Area Manager, has been done right
- 23 after flood control.
- 24 Q. Okay.
- 25 A. The actual adjustment of the records has been Deposition of Jerrold D. Gregg, Volumes I and II

- 1 done at that time. Those records are then accepted or
- 2 not accepted by the Advisory Board.
- Q. Okay.
- 4 A. But the actual accounting adjustment is done
- 5 during the irrigation season.
- 6 Q. I understand that. What I am trying to sort of
- 7 confirm is that there have been no other kinds of
- 8 procedures that relate to the adjustment for flood
- 9 control impacts to storage accounts, as long as you have
- 10 been in your positions in Idaho for the Bureau of
- 11 Reclamation?
- 12 A. Not that apply to this section.
- 13 Q. All right. That is what I am asking about.
- 14 A. Yes.
- 15 Q. So in terms of the last -- I guess it is the
- last sentence of Section 7 of Exhibits 4 and 5, talking
- 17 about the determinations by a committee, State
- 18 Watermaster, a representative of the water users --
- 19 A. No. It's two members of the Board of Control.
- Q. Excuse me. Where are you reading that, sir?
- 21 A. It says, "...a representative of the water
- 22 users selected by the Boise Project Board of Control."
- 23 I'm sorry. It's only one representative.
- Q. That is why I am confused. You said two
- 25 representatives of --

- 1 A. I'm sorry. Yes.
- 2 O. "...and the officer of the United States in
- 3 charge of the Boise Project..." Would that be you,
- 4 sir?
- 5 A. That would be my position.
- 6 O. And the determination that is referred to
- 7 relates to the calculations under (a) and (b) of
- 8 Paragraph 7; is that right?
- 9 A. Correct.
- 10 Q. And it says, so far as practicable, those
- 11 determinations by this Committee "...shall be made
- thirty days of the end of the storage season involved;"
- is that correct?
- 14 A. That's correct.
- 15 Q. Is it correct that, as far as you are aware, as
- 16 the representative of the Bureau of Reclamation, this
- 17 procedure and these calculations under this procedure
- 18 have never been performed?
- 19 A. I wouldn't characterize it that way. I would
- 20 say that the procedures are, for practical reasons, more
- 21 expansive than if you read the small paragraph here.
- 22 O. I understand that. That is not what I am
- 23 asking though. Let me try to be more precise. Okay. I
- 24 am not talking about the procedures that you have
- 25 followed and personally observed from 1987 until the

- 1 present. I am not talking about that at all. I am
- 2 talking about before the 1985 Water Control Manual was
- 3 adopted.
- 4 To your knowledge, as the 30(b)(6)
- 5 representative of the Bureau of Reclamation, do you know
- 6 if the procedures that are described in the last
- 7 sentence of Paragraph 7 of Exhibits 4 and 5 have ever
- 8 been followed the way they are written in the
- 9 documents?
- 10 A. Prior to 1985? No. I mean, prior to the Water
- 11 Control Manual being adopted, no. I have no knowledge
- 12 of that.
- MR. GEHLERT: If I could ask the reporter, you
- 14 did get the last part of his answer, that he had no
- 15 knowledge of that?
- 16 THE COURT REPORTER: Yes.
- 17 BY MR. CAMPBELL:
- 18 Q. Would you like to say it again, Mr. Gregg?
- 19 MR. GEHLERT: I just wanted to clarify that he
- 20 was answering that he had no knowledge to answer your
- 21 question.
- MR. CAMPBELL: I understand.
- 23 Q. Do you know of anyone else who would have
- 24 knowledge of that particular question -- with the Bureau
- 25 of Reclamation?
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- 1 A. Neil Stessman was Project Superintendent from
- 2 mid 1984 until 1987. If this criteria would have been
- 3 met during that time period, I assume he would have been
- 4 involved. Both Project Superintendents prior to Neil
- 5 Stessman are deceased. I don't know of anybody else.
- 6 Q. Before you came to the deposition today, did
- 7 you talk with anyone concerning any documentation that
- 8 might exist in correspondence files or historical
- 9 documents that would relate to the procedures set forth
- in Paragraph 7 of Exhibit Nos. 4 and 5?
- 11 A. No, I do not.
- 12 Q. Do you know anyone with the Bureau of
- 13 Reclamation who would be able to provide input with
- 14 respect to whether or not there are any documents
- relating to Paragraph 7 of Exhibits 4 and 5?
- 16 A. The only information I know of may be in the
- 17 contract files with the 1954 contracts. If there are
- any memos, that's the only place I would know of besides
- 19 the Archives.
- Q. Is that Mr. Patterson, Ryan Patterson, again,
- 21 who is in charge of that particular section of the
- 22 Bureau?
- 23 A. Those files? That's correct.
- Q. Those are in the Regional Office; is that
- 25 correct?

- 1 A. Correct.
- 2 MR. CAMPBELL: Counsel, will we be allowed to
- 3 have access to those files?
- 4 MR. GEHLERT: I believe so. Let me
- 5 coordinate that.
- 6 MR. CAMPBELL: Just let us know.
- 7 Q. Mr. Gregg, in terms of the document that is
- 8 part of Exhibits 4 -- or, actually, documents that are
- 9 part of Exhibits 4 and 5, it appears to me that there is
- 10 an Exhibit A on both Exhibit 4 and 5?
- 11 A. Yes.
- 12 Q. Is that correct?
- 13 A. That is correct.
- Q. And can you identify that particular Exhibit A
- to both Exhibits 4 and 5 for me, please?
- 16 A. Exhibit A in both Exhibits 4 and 5 is the
- 17 November 20, 1953, MOA between the Bureau of Reclamation
- 18 and the Corps of Engineers.
- 19 O. That is the same document that we talked about
- in your prior testimony; is that correct?
- 21 A. That's correct.
- 22 Q. And that document has been --
- MR. GEHLERT: It's 3, Exhibit No. 3.
- MR. CAMPBELL: Thank you, counsel.
- THE WITNESS: Exhibit 3.

- 1 MR. GEHLERT: Just trying to be helpful.
- 2 BY MR. CAMPBELL:
- 3 Q. Do you have an understanding as to how the
- 4 attachment, Exhibit A, interrelates or is connected to
- 5 Exhibits 4 and 5?
- 6 A. I would have to look at the contract to see how
- 7 it's referenced.
- 8 MR. CAMPBELL: Well, go ahead and take that
- 9 time. We will go off the record.
- 10 (Recess.)
- 11 MR. CAMPBELL: Back on the record, please. Mr.
- 12 Gregg, would you like the court reporter to read back
- 13 the last question?
- 14 THE WITNESS: Yes.
- 15 (The previous question was read back by the
- 16 court reporter.)
- 17 THE WITNESS: The exhibit is mentioned in
- 18 Article 6 of Exhibit 5 which talks about the Flood
- 19 Operating Plan.
- 20 BY MR. CAMPBELL:
- Q. And what about Exhibit 4?
- 22 A. It is also in Article 6.
- 23 Q. Of Exhibit 4?
- A. Of Exhibit 4.
- Q. Thank you. And what about on page 4 of both Deposition of Jerrold D. Gregg, Volumes I and II

- 1 exhibits, Paragraph 7 that we talked about previously?
- A. Yes. It's mentioned in Article 7 of Exhibits 4
- 3 and 5.
- 4 Q. And that is, Exhibit A is mentioned; is that
- 5 right?
- 6 A. Exhibit A. That is correct.
- 7 Q. What about on page 5, Paragraph 8 of Exhibit 4
- 8 and 5?
- 9 A. Yes. It's mentioned in Article 8 of both
- 10 Exhibits 4 and 5.
- 11 Q. Thank you. Mr. Gregg, have you had occasion,
- 12 except -- I think you answered this question. I am not
- 13 trying to trick you.
- I just want to make sure that I got everything
- 15 that you are aware of concerning the factual
- 16 circumstances of the negotiation of Exhibit No. 3, which
- is now A to Exhibits 4 and 5, and Exhibits 4 and 5, the
- 18 history of how these documents came to be signed by the
- 19 various parties.
- I think you said the only thing that you are
- 21 aware of is Exhibit 24? I think it is 24; correct?
- 22 MR. GEHLERT: 25.
- 23 BY MR. CAMPBELL.
- 24 Q. 25?
- 25 A. Except for what is in the exhibits, themselves?

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- 1 Q. Yes, yes.
- 2 A. That's the only document I am aware of on the
- 3 history.
- 4 O. And in terms --
- 5 A. And the 1974 report that led up to the Water
- 6 Control Manual.
- 7 Q. Well, that confuses me. What my question was
- 8 directed towards is the factual circumstances of the
- 9 negotiation and execution of Exhibits 3, 4, and 5.
- 10 A. Okay. In relationship to your question on the
- 11 negotiation and the factual information on the -- as you
- 12 phrased it, no.
- 13 Q. "No," what?
- 14 A. No, I don't have any additional information or
- 15 knowledge of that process that you are talking about.
- 16 Q. Except for Exhibit 25?
- 17 A. Except for Exhibit 25.
- 18 O. And we went through this before, but there may
- 19 be other documents in the contract division under the
- 20 control of Mr. Ryan Patterson or there may be documents
- 21 in the Denver Archives or the Washington, DC, Archives;
- is that correct?
- 23 A. That's correct.
- Q. You don't know of those, though?
- 25 A. No, I do not. I have never seen them.
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- 1 Q. Turn your attention to Exhibit No. 25, again,
- 2 Mr. Gregg, if you would, please.
- 3 A. Yes.
- 4 Q. On page 4 of that exhibit -- if you would, look
- 5 at that page. At the end of the first paragraph, it
- 6 appears that there is some underscoring of the last two
- 7 sentences. Do you see that?
- 8 A. In the first paragraph?
- 9 O. Yes.
- 10 A. Yes. I see that.
- 11 Q. Do you know who provided that underlining?
- 12 A. No. This is a Xerox of a copy of a document
- 13 that was in my files.
- 14 O. Have you discussed the underscored language
- with anyone prior to today's deposition?
- 16 A. No. All of the people that were here at this
- 17 time are dead.
- 18 O. Well, not all of them.
- 19 A. Well, I was three in 1953. So --
- 20 O. Well, I wouldn't want to debate that. Mr.
- 21 Gregg, turn your attention to Exhibit 24 again, please.
- 22 A. 24 or 25?
- 23 Q. 24, this Memorandum of Understanding.
- MR. GEHLERT: Do you want to use this one,
- 25 Jerry? That's the reporter's official copy.
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- 1 BY MR. CAMPBELL:
- 2 Q. Again, looking at this document, can you tell
- 3 me whether or not the Bureau of Reclamation made any
- 4 effort to distribute this particular document to the
- 5 irrigation water contractors with space in Arrowrock,
- 6 Anderson Ranch, or Lucky Peak Reservoirs?
- 7 A. I have no knowledge, one way or the other.
- 8 Q. Mr. Gregg, you were describing the 60,000
- 9 acre-feet of water in Lucky Peak Reservoir that is last
- 10 to fill. Do you recall that testimony?
- 11 A. Yes.
- 12 Q. And I think you -- well, I will just ask you
- 13 this. What did you describe that 60,000 acre-feet as
- 14 being represented of, in terms of a water right?
- 15 A. I didn't represent it as a water right. I said
- it had come from uncontracted space that has been used
- 17 for streamflow maintenance.
- 18 Q. That is what I thought you said. I am glad you
- 19 corrected me. I just misspoke. In that regard, I would
- 20 like you to look at -- I will get there. Are you doing
- 21 okay?
- 22 A. Yes.
- Q. Look at Exhibit 11, if you would, please. Tell
- 24 me if you can identify that document.
- 25 A. I believe it's the Water Right License for Deposition of Jerrold D. Gregg, Volumes I and II

- 1 Lucky Peak Reservoir, but I don't see the Reservoir's
- 2 name anywhere on the license. I believe it's the
- 3 license for Lucky Peak Reservoir, the Water Right
- 4 License.
- 5 Q. Have you ever seen this document before?
- 6 A. Yes.
- 7 Q. And what leads you to believe that it is the
- 8 license? I am not trying to trick you. I just want to
- 9 know why you think it is the license for Lucky Peak
- 10 Reservoir.
- 11 A. The second page mentions Lucky Peak Reservoir.
- 12 Q. In terms of the first page of Exhibit 11, can
- 13 you tell me what your understanding is of the terms
- 14 "streamflow maintenance storage" and "streamflow
- 15 maintenance from storage"?
- 16 MR. GEHLERT: Scott, before Jerry answers, I
- 17 would just renew the objection I made about interpreting
- 18 documents.
- 19 MR. CAMPBELL: I understand.
- 20 MR. GEHLERT: Just to refresh the record.
- 21 Go ahead, Jerry.
- 22 THE WITNESS: My understanding -- and I'm not a
- 23 water rights expert -- is you are talking about the
- 24 portion of the Reservoir where water is stored in an
- 25 uncontracted space and later released for streamflow
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- 1 maintenance.
- 2 BY MR. CAMPBELL:
- 3 Q. And the number on the license corresponding
- 4 with those two descriptions is 152,300 AF; is that
- 5 right?
- 6 A. "AF" stands for acre-feet. That's correct.
- 7 Q. And the 60,000 acre-feet of last-to-fill space
- 8 that you were talking about, can you tell me if that
- 9 60,000 acre-feet pertains to any of the streamflow
- 10 maintenance storage that is described on Exhibit 11?
- 11 A. Yes. It would be part of the 152,300
- 12 acre-feet.
- 13 Q. The way I understood your testimony previously
- 14 about the adjustment that is made by the Bureau for any
- 15 shortfall in the irrigation storage accounts for
- 16 Arrowrock and Anderson Ranch -- the way I understood
- 17 it -- and correct me if I am not saying this right.
- The way I understood it, you suggested that the
- 19 60,000 acre-feet that is last to fill is part of the
- 20 water that is transferred over or adjusted to the
- 21 irrigation storage accounts that did not fill; is that
- 22 right?
- 23 A. The first 60,000 acre-feet are deficit; that
- 24 would be correct. If the deficit was greater than that,
- 25 then it would come from other parts of the reservoir.
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- 1 Q. And so that is 60,000 acre-feet that is part of
- 2 the streamflow maintenance?
- A. Correct.
- 4 Q. Now, if the deficit from flood control
- 5 operations is greater than 60,000 acre-feet when this
- 6 adjustment is made, where does that additional increment
- 7 of water come from out of Lucky Peak?
- 8 A. My personal belief --
- 9 Q. I am asking you, based upon your position as
- 10 the Bureau's man in charge of the reservoirs.
- 11 A. I believe the contracting officer would have
- 12 discretion between the contracted and uncontracted
- 13 space.
- Q. And why do you say that?
- 15 A. It's just my interpretation of the contracts.
- 16 O. And the contract --
- 17 A. Why I say that is the deficit was 264,200. The
- 18 whole active capacity of Lucky Peak -- part of that
- 19 would be contracted water.
- 20 Q. Okay.
- 21 A. The contracts do not -- the '54 contracts do
- 22 not specify whether it's contracted or uncontracted. It
- 23 just says "Lucky Peak."
- Q. And in terms of that view that you just
- 25 articulated, what do you mean by "contracted versus Deposition of Jerrold D. Gregg, Volumes I and II

- 1 uncontracted space"? I think that is what you said,
- 2 "contracted versus uncontracted space;" is that right?
- 3 A. In Lucky Peak Reservoir --
- 4 Q. Is that right?
- 5 A. That's correct. In Lucky Peak Reservoir,
- 6 Reclamation has contracted for 71,018 acre-feet of
- 7 active capacity to various irrigation districts, for
- 8 irrigation use.
- 9 Q. And what about the uncontracted space? How
- 10 much is that?
- 11 A. The uncontracted is 111,950 acre-feet.
- 12 O. That is uncontracted?
- 13 A. Correct.
- 14 Q. Well --
- 15 A. I'm sorry. I'm sorry. I'm sorry. Let me --
- 16 there's 152,300 acre-feet that's uncontracted that is
- 17 used for streamflow maintenance. There is 40,932
- 18 acre-feet that Reclamation re-acquired for flow
- 19 augmentation purposes that's uncontracted. So it's the
- 20 152,300 plus the 40,932. I believe those numbers are
- 21 correct.
- Q. We won't hold you to the exact, final
- 23 acre-foot; but those are pretty good estimates. So if
- 24 we total the two together, by my very rudimentary math
- 25 addition skills, that is 192,632 acre-feet, those two
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- 1 amounts together?
- 2 A. Correct.
- 3 O. And then the balance -- and that is all
- 4 uncontracted space?
- 5 A. Correct.
- 6 Q. And then the balance of approximately
- 7 seventy-one thousand --
- 8 A. -- eighteen.
- 9 Q. -- eighteen is contracted space with irrigation
- 10 entities?
- 11 A. That's correct. Irrigation entities and United
- 12 Water has one small contract.
- Q. Right. So back to your prior testimony, if the
- 14 shortfall in the irrigation accounts in Arrowrock and
- 15 Anderson Ranch exceed the 60,000 acre-feet that is the
- 16 so-called last to fill in Lucky Peak, you, as the
- operating officer for the Bureau of Reclamation, would
- 18 have the discretion to determine if some or all of that
- 19 additional shortfall water is provided from uncontracted
- 20 or contracted space in Lucky Peak?
- 21 A. I would clarify that to the point that, if you
- 22 look at the 2005 repayment contracts that were just
- 23 negotiated, it says that the contracted and the
- 24 uncontracted would be treated proportionately and would
- 25 be on an equal priority. One interpretation would be Deposition of Jerrold D. Gregg, Volumes I and II

- 1 that it would be a proportional basis between the
- 2 contracted and uncontracted.
- 3 Q. Okay.
- 4 A. The final decision is really a legal question.
- 5 That's my interpretation.
- 6 Q. That is what I am asking for is your
- 7 interpretation.
- 8 A. That's my interpretation.
- 9 Q. And with respect to that quantity of additional
- shortfall beyond 60,000 acre-feet, if it goes beyond
- 11 60,000 acre-feet that you have to make up for Anderson
- 12 and Arrowrock, if it comes out of contracted and
- uncontracted, what happens to the streamflow maintenance
- 14 account and the 40,932 acre-feet that the Bureau of
- 15 Reclamation re-acquired the contract rights for? Could
- 16 they be impacted?
- 17 A. The 40,932 I don't believe would because the
- 18 Boise Water Bank Rule says water taken out of the Basin
- 19 for flow augmentation is last to fill. So if you get in
- that situation, 40,932 would, essentially, be in the
- 21 same space as the 60,000.
- You wouldn't fill that space. Then 20,000
- 23 would come out of the streamflow maintenance. After
- 24 that, in my view, it would be what is left of the
- 25 streamflow maintenance account and the contracted water.

- 1 Q. I am not following part of what you said.
- 2 20,000 would come out of streamflow maintenance?
- A. Yes, if the deficit was larger than 40,932.
- Q. Oh, I see. I see what you are saying. And is
- 5 that set forth in the 1985 Water Control Manual?
- 6 A. No. The water taken out of the Basin, whether
- 7 it is contracted or uncontracted, becomes last to fill,
- 8 according to the Water Bank Rules. To mesh those two,
- 9 that's how I believe it would happen.
- 10 Q. Has that ever happened, in your term, in the
- 11 twenty years at the Bureau of Reclamation in Idaho?
- 12 A. I don't believe so because the only time we
- exceeded the 60,000 was in 1989, and we were not
- 14 providing flow-augmentation. I believe ever since 1991
- 15 when we started providing flow -- well, on the Boise, it
- 16 was later than that. Providing flow augmentation, the
- 17 deficit has not been that large.
- 18 O. With respect to the inclusion of the 40,932
- 19 acre-feet as last to fill, how is that space or that
- 20 water related to flood control operations?
- 21 A. It's treated just like other space on the
- 22 reservoir for flood control. It can be evacuated for
- 23 flood control.
- Q. That is not my question. Well, maybe I should
- 25 ask another question first. Does the Bureau of
  - Deposition of Jerrold D. Gregg, Volumes I and II

- 1 Reclamation utilize the 40,932 acre-feet if it fills
- 2 every year?
- A. If it fills. Ever since we have been under the
- 4 last two Biological Opinions, yes, we have used it for
- 5 flow augmentation.
- 6 Q. So if you have it or the amount that you have
- 7 accrued in Arrowrock -- excuse me -- in Lucky Peak for
- 8 flow augmentation, the total is 40,932 acre-feet. If
- 9 you have got any portion of that or if you have got all
- of it, you use all of it every year; is that right?
- 11 A. Correct, since we have re-acquired it for flow
- 12 augmentation.
- 13 Q. I understand. I understand. So am I correct,
- then, when the flood control operation season starts
- in -- when does it start? January?
- 16 A. November.
- 17 Q. November?
- 18 A. November.
- 19 O. November when?
- 20 A. November 1.
- 21 O. November 1?
- 22 A. We have a wintertime space requirement.
- 23 Q. Is that set forth in the flood control --
- 24 excuse me -- the Water Control Manual?
- 25 A. Yes. One of the floods we try to protect
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- 1 against is the December or January rain and snow event.
- O. Sure. And that is smart. But when you start
- 3 your flood control operations November 1st, the 40,932
- 4 acre-feet, if you had it all, has already been
- 5 evacuated; correct?
- 6 A. That's correct.
- 7 Q. So explain to me how that water that has
- 8 already been evacuated is related to flood control
- 9 operations in the Boise River Reservoir System.
- 10 A. Essentially, it's providing flood control space
- 11 because you have already evacuated it. You are not
- 12 carrying over storage water. So you have 40,932
- 13 acre-feet of storage space available to fill during the
- 14 flood control season.
- 15 Q. Is that specified in the 1985 Water Control
- 16 Manual, though?
- 17 A. It doesn't talk about flow augmentation because
- 18 that wasn't -- we didn't have flow augmentation
- 19 requirements under the Endangered Species Act at that
- 20 time.
- 21 O. Right.
- 22 A. It does talk about flood control space
- 23 requirements.
- Q. So if I understand it correctly, you are saying
- 25 that any space that is evacuated as of November 1st is

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- 1 space that is allocated to flood control space?
- 2 A. Sure. Your irrigation districts that use
- 3 storage water during the previous irrigation season --
- 4 their space is available for flood control.
- 5 Q. If they have used it?
- 6 A. If they've used it. If they haven't used -- it
- 7 can be evacuated.
- 8 Q. Right. Within certain parameters?
- 9 A. Right. Any vacant space does provide flood
- 10 control benefits.
- 11 Q. Right. I understand that. But the 40,932
- 12 acre-feet that is released for flow augmentation
- 13 purposes is not specifically called out in the 1985
- 14 Water Control Manual, is it?
- 15 A. No.
- 16 O. All right. If the Bureau of Reclamation has to
- 17 utilize water from the so-called -- well, on the
- 18 license, it is called "streamflow maintenance storage;"
- 19 that is what it says on Exhibit 11. To make up the
- 20 shortfall in Anderson and Arrowrock, how is that done?
- 21 You described a process where the watermaster makes some
- 22 kind of adjustments? Is that how it is done?
- A. Well, I think, on the record, I already
- 24 explained the process but, again --
- 25 MR. GEHLERT: Jerry, if you would like her to Deposition of Jerrold D. Gregg, Volumes I and II

- 1 read what you said earlier to refresh your memory, feel
- 2 free to ask her.
- 3 THE WITNESS: If you will go ahead and --
- 4 MR. CAMPBELL: It is going to be way back
- 5 there.
- 6 THE WITNESS: I can explain it again, if you
- 7 you would like, but --
- 8 BY MR. CAMPBELL:
- 9 Q. You do not need to explain -- excuse me. I'm
- 10 sorry. Mr. Gregg, I am not asking you to explain the
- 11 whole process again. I understand you did that once.
- 12 What I want to know specifically is just one
- 13 portion of it. If there is a shortfall and the
- shortfall has to be made up out of the streamflow
- 15 maintenance storage --
- 16 A. Yes.
- 18 adjustment?
- 19 A. The watermaster -- yes. Once the watermaster
- 20 has identified the shortage, he then contacts
- 21 Reclamation to say, "Where should we transfer the water
- 22 from?"
- 23 Essentially, before final accrual is made to
- 24 the reservoir, that decision is made by Reclamation, not
- 25 the watermaster.

- 1 Q. And is that decision made by you or someone
- 2 else with Reclamation?
- 3 A. It's made by me.
- 4 Q. Have you made that decision more than one
- 5 time?
- 6 A. To my knowledge, the records indicate four
- 7 times.
- 8 Q. And you were consulted by the watermaster in
- 9 each instance; is that right?
- 10 A. Yes. I have consulted internally with other
- 11 Reclamation folks, but the final decision has been made
- 12 by me.
- 13 Q. That is helpful. Thank you. And then how do
- 14 you communicate that decision to the watermaster?
- 15 A. It's been by phone.
- 16 Q. By telephone?
- 17 A. Or meetings or face-to-face meetings.
- 18 Q. Do you keep any records of that communication?
- 19 A. I have not.
- 20 Q. Do you know if the watermaster keeps any
- 21 records of that communication?
- 22 A. I don't know if he has or not.
- Q. All right.
- A. But the actual changes in water accounts is in
- 25 his records.

- 1 Q. Okay.
- 2 A. That is indicated in his records.
- 3 Q. I understand that. Turn to page 2 of Exhibit
- 4 No. 11, if you would, sir. Do you have that page?
- 5 A. Yes.
- 6 Q. I would like you to read outloud, if you would,
- 7 the paragraph that is denominated 2, under the caption
- 8 "Conditions of Approval."
- 9 A. "The Bureau of Reclamation and Idaho Department
- 10 of Fish and Game shall provide joint written
- instructions to the Department, for conveyance to the
- watermaster, regarding release of the Lucky Peak
- 13 streamflow maintenance storage water."
- Q. Are you familiar with that language? Have you
- 15 read it before?
- 16 A. I believe I read it when the license first came
- 17 out.
- 18 Q. Is that procedure followed by the Bureau of
- 19 Reclamation?
- 20 A. We have not provided joint written
- 21 instructions. We have -- we consult with Idaho Fish and
- 22 Game and the Department in the fall before we make our
- 23 decision on what the releases are.
- Q. How do you consult? Describe the process for
- 25 me.

- 1 A. Usually a meeting or via telephone, depending
- 2 upon the year.
- Q. Who is the meeting with, besides the Bureau of
- 4 Reclamation and Fish and Game?
- 5 A. Usually, it's with the Bureau and the Fish and
- 6 Game and we consult with the watermaster as to what the
- 7 releases are going to be.
- 8 Q. And do you personally participate in those
- 9 meetings?
- 10 A. I have, in several, if it's an especially dry
- 11 year and we are going to go below the 240 cfs. If it's
- 12 a normal year, a good year, and we have enough in our
- account to maintain the 240, no, I have not.
- Q. What do you mean by "240 cfs"? What are you
- identifying when you say "240 cfs"?
- 16 A. In good years, when we have enough storage
- water, that's the goal that the Idaho Fish and Game
- 18 would like us to meet. In the early part of the season,
- 19 it's 240 cfs.
- Q. What do you mean by "the early part of the
- 21 season"?
- 22 A. At the end of the irrigation season until
- 23 spring. That's based on fishery studies they conducted
- 24 in the '90s.
- Q. And can you give me some more specific

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- 1 parameters? When you say "the end of the irrigation
- 2 season," what time frame? What month?
- 3 A. Well, it's, essentially, when the irrigation
- 4 demand drops below that number. It may be mid October.
- 5 A dry year may start as early as October 1st and the
- 6 irrigation districts have shut off.
- 7 So there's no call for natural flow or storage
- 8 water in the lower river. So that's when the streamflow
- 9 maintenance season starts.
- 10 Q. Okay.
- 11 A. Most years, it's mid October. Some years, dry
- 12 years, start as early as the first of October.
- 13 Q. And is that process of consulting with the
- 14 Idaho Department of Fish and Game -- who initiates that
- 15 process each year?
- 16 A. It's usually my Water Operations Staff.
- 17 Q. And who are they?
- 18 A. Brian Sauer is the Head of Water Operations in
- 19 my office.
- 20 Q. Anyone else?
- 21 A. No.
- 22 Q. And do you know who he communicates with at the
- 23 Department of Fish and Game?
- 24 A. It's the District Office in Nampa. It's one of
- 25 their fishery biologists. I'm not sure of the person's Deposition of Jerrold D. Gregg, Volumes I and II

- 1 name. They have changed several times.
- 2 Q. Brian Sauer would know, though?
- 3 A. Yes.
- 4 Q. Do you know if there is any documentation that
- 5 the Bureau of Reclamation retains concerning those
- 6 decisions each year?
- 7 A. Not in recent years that I'm aware of.
- 8 Q. What do you mean by "recent years"?
- 9 A. I believe, way back in 1992, when we were going
- 10 to drop below 100 cfs, we put out some press releases;
- 11 and they may be available.
- 12 Q. Do you know if the Bureau of Reclamation has
- any correspondence at all concerning this process that
- is described in Condition No. 2 on page 2 of Exhibit No.
- 15 11?
- 16 A. No, I'm not. This is a condition that was
- 17 placed in the license by the Director. It was not in
- 18 the permit. I don't believe it was in the prior permit.
- 19 Q. And with respect to conveying the instructions
- 20 to the Department, as described in the Condition of
- 21 Approval No. 2, how is that done?
- 22 A. Well, essentially, after we have met or
- 23 discussed with Idaho Fish and Game what the release
- should be, then we have usually called the watermaster
- 25 and said, "This is the release that we would like to Deposition of Jerrold D. Gregg, Volumes I and II

- 1 set."
- 2 He is the one, then, that makes the calls to
- 3 the Corps of Engineers to release that amount of water.
- 4 Q. During that process, do you provide for a time
- 5 period when the releases are a certain quantity?
- 6 A. Yes.
- 7 Q. And is that decision re-evaluated at any point
- 8 in time during the period that the water is released for
- 9 those streamflow purposes?
- 10 A. Yes.
- 11 Q. Tell me how that happens.
- 12 A. Well, if it's in a good year or an
- 13 above-average year and you are required to make flood
- 14 control releases, of course, then, flood control
- 15 releases would supersede this release.
- 16 Then, of course, the streamflow maintenance
- 17 account is not debited any amount of water for
- 18 streamflow maintenance, the water in the river, or flood
- 19 control releases.
- If we don't have enough water to maintain the
- 21 release we are making, such as in 1982, we have had to
- 22 reduce the releases mid season.
- But most years, it's either set at 240 or 150;
- 24 and then that release is maintained until the irrigation
- 25 season or flood control releases start up.
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- 1 Q. In terms of the flood control releases you just
- 2 described, who makes those determinations?
- A. Well, the Corps of Engineers and the Bureau of
- 4 Reclamation coordinate, as laid out in the 1985 Flood
- 5 Control Manual. The final decision, of course, is with
- 6 the Corps of Engineers during the flood control season.
- 7 Q. And in terms of the communications with the
- 8 Department of Water Resources, as it relates to the
- 9 decision to release certain amounts during certain
- 10 periods for the streamflow maintenance, can you tell me
- 11 how that information is communicated to the Department
- 12 of Water Resources?
- 13 A. It's discussed at the monthly -- I'm not sure
- 14 what they call those meetings when the Department hosts
- 15 the meetings on water operations. I can't think of the
- 16 name.
- 17 Q. Do you attend those meetings?
- 18 A. Brian Sauer does. Of course, once we notify
- 19 the watermaster, he is also required to report
- 20 information to the Department. We have not provided
- 21 written instructions, though.
- MR. CAMPBELL: I think we should stop now. It
- 23 is almost 4:30.
- 24 (The deposition, Volume I, stood in recess at
- 25 4:28 p.m.)

- 1 THIS DEPOSITION, VOLUME II, was taken on behalf of
- 2 Pioneer Irrigation District and Settlers Irrigation
- 3 District on Thursday, the 31st day of January 2008, at
- 4 the offices of Moffatt, Thomas, Barrett, Rock & Fields,
- 5 Chartered, 101 South Capitol Boulevard, 10th Floor,
- 6 Boise, Idaho 83702, before Lori A. Pulsifer, Court
- 7 Reporter and Notary Public within and for the State of
- 8 Idaho, to be used in an action pending in the District
- 9 Court of the Fifth Judicial District of the State of
- 10 Idaho, in and for the County of Twin Falls, said cause
- 11 being Subcase No. 63-3618 (Lucky Peak Reservoir) in said
- 12 court.
- The following testimony was adduced, to wit:
- 14 \* \* \*
- JERROLD D. GREGG,
- 16 having been recalled, previously sworn, testified
- 17 further, as follows:

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- 19 FURTHER EXAMINATION
- 20 BY MR. CAMPBELL:
- 21 Q. Mr. Gregg, you are still under oath for
- 22 purposes of this deposition. Do you understand that?
- 23 A. Yes.
- Q. Just so we have --
- 25 A. Before we get started, I would like to go back
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- 1 and address one thing I don't think I was real -- two
- 2 things that I was real precise on in my testimony
- 3 yesterday.
- 4 Q. Darn. No, I'm not going to let you go back on
- 5 that. Whatever. What is it?
- 6 A. We were discussing the accounting. To my
- 7 knowledge, when we are in a -- I talked about the 60,000
- 8 being last to fill in Lucky Peak out of the streamflow
- 9 maintenance account.
- I think I misspoke and said that water accrued
- 11 to that and then if we were in a situation where we had
- 12 to move water to the Anderson and Arrowrock accounts --
- actually, what happens is water just does not accrue to
- 14 that space, which then forces the other accounts to fill
- 15 first.
- So that sixty -- if I understand how the
- 17 accounting model works, the 60,000 is the last to accrue
- 18 any water, if that makes sense.
- 19 O. Okay.
- 20 A. I think I misspoke or gave the impression that
- 21 water would have went in the 60,000 and then moved out
- 22 if we owed water under the '54 contract. What actually
- 23 happens is -- water just does not accrue to that 60,000
- 24 until all of the other space fills.
- Q. And does that apply, also, to the space, or the Deposition of Jerrold D. Gregg, Volumes I and II

- 1 deficit, if there is more than 60,000 acre-feet that
- 2 needs to be made up in -- for the Anderson and Arrowrock
- 3 accounts?
- A. As I indicated yesterday, water, maybe, would
- 5 be temporarily held. And then at the time the
- 6 watermaster notifies Reclamation that we have to do
- 7 something according to the '54 contract, then the final
- 8 accruals would be made.
- 9 Q. Well, now, I am a little bit confused, Mr.
- 10 Gregg. You said that the 60,000 acre-feet would not
- 11 accrue?
- 12 A. It's the last to accrue any water.
- 13 Q. But there could be a situation, from what I
- 14 understand, where the last 60,000 acre-feet accrues
- maybe 20,000 acre-feet as part of the refill process.
- 16 Is that possible?
- 17 A. That's possible. It would be the last space to
- 18 fill in the system.
- 19 O. And in that situation, then, when the
- 20 adjustment is made by the watermaster -- and that is
- 21 made when?
- 22 A. Usually, after the maximum storage.
- 23 Q. And when, typically, is that?
- A. You know, it could be from the June-to-July
- 25 period.

- Q. So at that point in time, in this hypothetical,
- 2 the 20,000 of the 60,000 last to fill has actually
- 3 accrued storage?
- 4 A. Actually, no. In that situation, if the
- 5 adjustment is in the 20,000 acre-foot range, as you
- 6 have in your hypothetical, it just would not have
- 7 accrued to the in-stream-flow account.
- 8 It would have accrued to the Arrowrock and
- 9 Anderson accounts first. So it would have filled those
- 10 accounts before you accrued any water in that space.
- 11 Q. But that does not happen, in terms of that
- 12 adjustment, until the watermaster makes their
- 13 recalculation; correct?
- A. Well, the 60,000, it is my understanding, is
- 15 hard-wired into the accounting model.
- Q. What do you mean by "hard-wired"?
- 17 A. It's a provision in the accounting model. I'm
- 18 not an expert on that. But as you run the model, it
- 19 will ask you, you know, about the last 60,000. So you
- 20 say "yes" or "no," and then it accrues according to the
- 21 correct scenario.
- 22 O. And --
- 23 A. So that part is done automatically.
- Q. And who runs the accounting model that you are
- 25 talking about?

- 1 A. The watermaster inputs the data. The model is
- 2 run by the State, the Idaho Department of Water
- 3 Resources.
- 4 Q. Do you know who?
- 5 A. Today, it's a lady by the name of Liz Cresto.
- 6 She's fairly new. I think she's been there a year.
- 7 Q. How do you spell her last name?
- 8 A. I believe it's Cresto, C-r-e-s-t-o.
- 9 O. Have you met her?
- 10 A. Yes, I have.
- 11 Q. And is that process, that adjustment process,
- done every year at the end of the maximum storage
- 13 accrual?
- 14 A. Well, in --
- 15 Q. I may have used the wrong term.
- 16 A. In high run-off years, certainly, that's the --
- 17 it's the last to fill. It fills. Some years it may not
- 18 fill.
- The intent was, in the Water Control Manual,
- 20 that that space was reserved for -- as you are almost
- 21 filling the reservoir system, you don't know if there's
- 22 maybe a little bit of snow or you may have some real hot
- 23 weather, a couple 100-degree days, and you have some
- 24 space to take care of that so you don't have a surge
- 25 down the Boise River.

- 1 Q. My question is: The adjustment process that
- 2 you are talking about happens every year at a certain
- 3 point in time during the spring-to-summer period; is
- 4 that right?
- 5 A. When you say "the adjustment" --
- 6 Q. The Department of Water Resources accounting
- 7 model run that you talked about --
- 8 A. Uh-huh.
- 9 Q. -- happens every year sometime during the late
- 10 spring to early summer; is that correct?
- 11 A. Well --
- 12 Q. I'm trying to understand it. You tell me.
- 13 A. The accounting model is used by the watermaster
- in the State and is run, once the irrigation season
- 15 starts, through the season.
- 16 Q. This adjustment that you mentioned -- that is
- 17 what I am asking about, the adjustment as to whether or
- 18 not there is a shortfall in the irrigation storage
- 19 accounts in Arrowrock and Anderson.
- You said that adjustment is done, I think you
- 21 said, at the maximum refill point or something?
- 22 A. Maximum storage.
- Q. And when does that typically occur? That is
- 24 what I am asking.
- A. Sometime between June and July. In a drought Deposition of Jerrold D. Gregg, Volumes I and II

- 1 year, of course, it may be in April or May.
- Sure.
- 3 A. Those years we don't fill.
- 4 Q. Okay.
- 5 A. And if the provisions of the '54 contract kick
- 6 into effect and the difference is less than 60,000, it
- 7 happens automatically.
- 8 The adjustment is made automatically because
- 9 that becomes part of the 60,000 that doesn't fill. If
- 10 it's beyond that, then that's when the Water Master
- 11 would contact the Bureau of Reclamation.
- 12 O. And --
- 13 A. And we --
- 14 Q. Go ahead. I'm sorry.
- 15 A. And then we would have to make the
- 16 adjustments.
- 17 Q. That is the decision process that you undertake
- 18 to say where the water is coming from, in terms of
- 19 proportionality and accounts and all of the rest of
- 20 it?
- 21 A. That's correct.
- 22 Q. So in that scenario -- that has occurred in the
- twenty years you have been in Idaho; correct?
- 24 A. Yes.
- Q. In that scenario, where has the water come Deposition of Jerrold D. Gregg, Volumes I and II

- 1 from? Which different account allocations?
- 2 A. Three out of the four years that I'm aware of
- 3 that it's happened has been out of the 60,000 outlined
- 4 in the contract. In 1989, I believe there was some out
- 5 of the contracted space and some out of the
- 6 uncontracted; but I don't know the exact numbers.
- 7 Q. By the uncontracted space, you mean the
- 8 streamflow maintenance space; is that right?
- 9 A. Yes.
- 10 Q. At that point in time, that water was, then, in
- 11 the accounting process, credited to the unfilled space
- in Arrowrock and Anderson Ranch; is that right?
- 13 A. There was X amount of water that was credited
- 14 to those space owners. That's correct.
- 15 Q. Right. From the streamflow maintenance
- 16 account?
- 17 A. Yes. Well, in '89 --
- 18 Q. Plus the storage accounts in Lucky Peak?
- 19 A. In '89. That's correct.
- Q. All right.
- 21 A. Not on the other three years.
- 22 O. I understand. And if that scenario were to
- 23 occur again, similar to '89 or worse than '89, would
- 24 that be the same type of process that the Bureau would
- 25 undertake and that you, if you are in that position,
  - Deposition of Jerrold D. Gregg, Volumes I and II

- 1 would have to make the decision about?
- 2 A. Like I said in my previous testimony, I think
- 3 Reclamation has some discretion; and I think we would
- 4 have to sit down and make that decision based on the
- 5 conditions at hand.
- 6 Q. Can you tell me what your --
- 7 A. It --
- 8 Q. Go ahead.
- 9 A. Go ahead and ask the question.
- 10 Q. Can you tell me what that discretion that you
- 11 have described is based upon?
- 12 A. My interpretation of the repayment contracts in
- 13 Lucky Peak says the space will be treated
- 14 proportionately and that the uncontracted has the same
- 15 rights as the contracted.
- So I think that gives the contracting officer
- 17 discretion to -- one alternative is to divvy up the
- 18 shortage proportionately between the contracted and the
- 19 uncontracted.
- I believe the contracting officer would have
- 21 the discretion of saying it solely comes out of the
- 22 uncontracted.
- 23 Q. Is there any other -- I mean, we sort of got
- 24 way beyond what your clarification was.
- 25 A. Right. One other thing. I talked about the Deposition of Jerrold D. Gregg, Volumes I and II

- 1 monthly meetings where the water managers get together
- 2 and discuss forecasts and operation; that's called the
- 3 Water Supply Meeting. That's it.
- 4 MR. GEHLERT: Scott, I was going to remind you
- 5 that I have to break, probably, in five or so minutes to
- 6 take that call in Colorado.
- 7 MR. CAMPBELL: I understand. Why don't we do
- 8 this? Instead of me getting into another line of
- 9 inquiry, let's discuss the concerns I have about the
- 10 documents that I requested yesterday --
- MR. GEHLERT: Sure.
- 12 MR. CAMPBELL: -- and the ability to obtain
- 13 those documents at some point, depending upon what your
- 14 position is, and the need to continue Jerry's deposition
- 15 until after I have gotten the documents so that I can
- 16 ask him follow-up questions, as appropriate.
- Now, is that something that we are going to
- 18 have any disagreement about?
- 19 MR. GEHLERT: Well, I haven't been able to find
- 20 out anything more about the documents and whether there
- 21 even are documents in Ryan Patterson's office. We will
- 22 check and find out if there are. If there are, we will
- 23 make them available to you.
- I don't know to what extent you talked with
- 25 Tara; but in the context of my discussion with her in

- 1 Mary Mellema's deposition, we had an agreement that we
- 2 would, essentially, defer this process until after the
- 3 summary judgment briefing was completed and then talk
- 4 about --
- 5 MR. CAMPBELL: That's fine.
- 6 MR. GEHLERT: -- when there would be
- 7 continuances and what would be appropriate at sometime
- 8 after that.
- 9 I reminded her that both I and Jerry have six
- 10 trials coming up, I think, a week or so after the
- 11 summary judgment on these critically-important
- 12 wastewater issues. Bryce has some involvement in some
- of those, as well. Realistically, it probably will be
- 14 March before we can even think about that.
- MR. CAMPBELL: Well, I don't have a problem, as
- 16 long as the schedule which the SRBA Court has imposed
- 17 upon us will allow sufficient time to continue the
- 18 deposition of Mr. Gregg after the documents have been
- 19 made available to me.
- I am going to reserve that right. We do not
- 21 need to address that at this point in time, as to a
- 22 specific date; but I am reserving the right to continue
- 23 his deposition after I see if there are additional
- 24 documents. That is what I want to state on the record.
- MR. GEHLERT: I appreciate your doing that.

- 1 And I am committing that we will -- you know, if there
- 2 are records -- if there are records, we will provide
- 3 them.
- 4 That's as far as I am willing to commit right
- 5 now. We can just talk about it. You can look at the
- 6 documents, and we can talk about where we want to go
- 7 after that.
- 8 MR. CAMPBELL: Thanks. Why don't we go off the
- 9 record for the status conference you have?
- 10 MR. GEHLERT: Thanks. I appreciate that.
- 11 (Recess.)
- 12 (Exhibit No. 26was marked for identification.)
- 13 BY MR. CAMPBELL:
- Q. We are back on the record. Mr. Gregg, you are
- 15 still under oath. Do you understand that?
- 16 A. Yes.
- 17 Q. I would like to hand you what has been marked
- 18 as Exhibit No. 26. If you can, look at that document
- 19 and tell me if you can identify it, please.
- 20 A. From looking at the document, I can't be
- 21 100-percent sure because I don't have a copy of the
- 22 cover letter; but I assume this was Reclamation's filing
- in the SRBA for the Lucky Peak Water Right.
- Q. How do you make that assumption?
- 25 A. Just looking at the date and the address is the Deposition of Jerrold D. Gregg, Volumes I and II

- 1 Department of Interior.
- Q. And it says, "Bureau of Reclamation;"
- 3 correct?
- 4 A. Yes. It says, "Bureau of Reclamation, PN
- 5 Region."
- 6 Q. And does it refer to Lucky Peak Dam?
- 7 A. Yes, it does.
- 8 Q. Mr. Gregg, did you have any involvement in the
- 9 preparation of the Notice of Claim to Water Right filed
- 10 by the Bureau of Reclamation that is represented by
- 11 Exhibit No. 26?
- 12 A. If my memory serves me -- it's been a very long
- 13 time ago -- I believe these were put together by our
- 14 Regional Office and Solicitor's Office and filed.
- 15 Q. Your answer is that you did not have any
- 16 participation?
- 17 A. Not that I can remember. That was filed
- 18 shortly after I -- a year after I got here.
- 19 Q. And with respect to the items listed under
- 20 Paragraph 6 of Exhibit 26, on the first page, it says,
- 21 "Purposes;" and then it lists various descriptions. Do
- 22 you see that portion of the exhibit?
- 23 A. Yes.
- Q. Can you tell me your understanding of the
- 25 description of "Min. Instream Flow Stor" and "Min. Ins.

- 1 Flow from Stor" means?
- 2 A. I believe it means the ability to store up to
- 3 152,300 acre-feet for streamflow maintenance from the
- 4 first of the year until the end of any given year and
- 5 then the ability to remove the same amount from storage
- 6 for streamflow maintenance.
- 7 Q. By "removed," you mean released from the
- 8 reservoir?
- 9 A. Correct.
- 10 Q. And any releases from the reservoir -- where
- 11 does that water go, that is, from Lucky Peak? When
- 12 releases for instream flow use are made, where does the
- 13 water go?
- 14 A. It's, essentially, released below the reservoir
- and travels through the Lower Boise to the Snake River.
- 16 O. The Lower Boise River; is that correct?
- 17 A. That's correct.
- 18 O. And Lucky Peak Reservoir is a reservoir built
- in the Boise River; is that correct?
- 20 A. That's correct.
- 21 O. It stores water that accrues from various
- 22 portions of the Boise River System; is that correct?
- 23 A. Correct.
- Q. Mr. Gregg, were you involved in any
- 25 conversations that you can recall with any other

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- 1 individuals in the Bureau of Reclamation concerning the
- 2 Amendment of Water Permit for the right denominated
- 3 A63-03618, the Lucky Peak Water Right?
- 4 A. I don't remember when that change was made.
- Q. Okay.
- 6 A. I was -- yeah. I don't remember when that
- 7 change was made.
- 8 Q. Were you involved in any conversations with any
- 9 Bureau of Reclamation employees at any point in time in
- 10 your career as to that change of the water right to
- 11 apportion it for in-stream-flow purposes?
- 12 A. I have heard second-hand conversations of when
- 13 the streamflow maintenance was -- when the process
- occurred, which was in the mid '80s, before I came here.
- 15 Q. And with whom were those conversations?
- 16 A. With Mr. Ron Golus who used to work in my
- 17 office.
- 18 O. Do you recall the circumstances of the
- 19 conversations?
- 20 A. Just that the issue came up in the Power Mod
- 21 Studies. The Power Mod Studies is where the streamflow
- 22 maintenance is -- any official document I have ever
- 23 seen -- that's the first place I have ever seen it is in
- 24 the 1982 Power Modification Studies that Reclamation
- 25 completed on the Boise and the Payette.
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- 1 Q. And those documents were not brought with you
- 2 today, were they?
- 3 A. No, they were the not.
- 4 MR. CAMPBELL: Can we obtain copies of those
- 5 documents?
- 6 MR. GEHLERT: Yes. I believe at least some of
- 7 them were attached to our brief. That may be all of
- 8 them, but I will confirm that.
- 9 BY MR. CAMPBELL:
- 10 Q. All right. 1982 Power Modification Studies; is
- 11 that correct?
- 12 A. I believe, between 1981 and 1984. There were
- 13 several drafts put out in that study.
- 14 Q. And was anyone else present when you had these
- 15 conversations, or this conversation, with Mr. Golus?
- 16 A. No.
- 17 Q. Were there more than one conversation?
- 18 A. Oh, over the years, probably several.
- 19 O. And do you recall the substance of the other
- 20 conversations, what you talked about, what the issue was
- 21 concerning, you know, the modification of the permit?
- 22 A. Basically, the conversation was how the issue
- 23 arose, which the streamflow maintenance issue -- I don't
- 24 know if that was the only time or the first time, but it
- arose during the public meetings when the Bureau of
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- 1 Reclamation was doing the Power Mod Studies.
- 2 During that process, Reclamation made the
- 3 administrative decision to assign 102,000 to streamflow
- 4 maintenance; and that is in the document.
- 5 Q. In the Power Modification Study document?
- 6 A. Correct.
- 7 Q. And did Mr. Golus explain to you what the
- 8 public meeting process was?
- 9 A. Just that there were public meetings being held
- 10 here in Boise. He didn't go into any extent beyond
- 11 that.
- 12 Q. Did he indicate to you how the notification
- went out to anyone about the public meetings?
- 14 A. No, he did not.
- 15 Q. Did he indicate to you whether or not notice
- 16 concerning these public meetings specifically went to
- 17 either Pioneer or Settlers Irrigation District?
- 18 A. No, he did not. Mr. Golus, I don't believe,
- 19 was responsible for the meetings. He did participate,
- 20 but I don't believe he was responsible for setting up
- 21 and conducting the meetings.
- 22 Q. I am glad you clarified that. I was not
- 23 implying he was.
- 24 A. No.
- Q. Do you know who was with the Bureau of Deposition of Jerrold D. Gregg, Volumes I and II

- 1 Reclamation?
- 2 A. No, I do not.
- Q. Do you know what kind of function that it would
- 4 be described as? Is that a planning function? An
- 5 operations function? I mean, you have got different
- 6 divisions and bureaus within the Bureau.
- 7 I am trying to find out what part of your
- 8 organization would have been responsible for that
- 9 particular process.
- 10 A. My assumption -- and I am making an
- 11 assumption -- is that that would have been led by our
- 12 Planning Division and, probably, the Power Operation
- 13 Branch at the time.
- Q. And the Power Operation Branch is within the
- 15 Planning Division?
- 16 A. No. It was separate. At that time, it was
- 17 with what was called the Water and Lands Division.
- 18 There's been several reorganizations since then. Those
- 19 organizations don't exist anymore.
- 20 My assumption is the studies were led by the
- 21 Planning Division, with assistance. Because they were
- 22 looking for additional hydropower generation, the Power
- 23 O&M Branch was involved. Again, that was almost ten
- 24 years before I came here.
- Q. And in terms of the process that Mr. Golus
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- 1 described, public meetings, was that the process that
- 2 has been -- well, strike that. Let me start again. We
- 3 can pull out the document, if counsel would like to.
- I want to represent to you, Mr. Gregg, that the
- 5 Bureau of Reclamation, in its briefing, has suggested or
- 6 stated that there was a broad study group for the
- 7 preparation of the 1985 Water Control Manual.
- 8 My question is: From your standpoint, was the
- 9 planning and public meeting process that you described
- in your conversations with Mr. Golus -- was that process
- 11 the broad study group that produced the 1985 Water
- 12 Control Manual; or was there a separate process for the
- 13 1985 Water Control Manual, as far as you know?
- 14 A. I do not have direct knowledge. My assumption
- 15 was they would not be the same groups of -- some of the
- 16 technical experts would be the same. The Water Control
- 17 Manual probably was led by our Water Operations folks,
- 18 from Reclamation now, and the same for the Corps.
- 19 Q. And during that period of time --
- 20 A. Because there were two -- go ahead.
- Q. No. I am sorry. Go ahead.
- 22 A. Just two different goals. I mean, two
- 23 different initiatives, two different goals.
- MR. CAMPBELL: I see.
- MR. GEHLERT: Scott, can we have a moment?

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- 1 MR. CAMPBELL: Sure.
- 2 (Recess.)
- 3 BY MR. CAMPBELL:
- 4 Q. Are we okay now?
- 5 A. Yes.
- 6 Q. Do you want to clarify anything or add anything
- 7 to your testimony?
- 8 A. Just that I, you know, have no direct knowledge
- 9 of, you know, either one of those processes since I was
- 10 not here.
- 11 Q. I understand that. You made that pretty clear
- 12 to me that this is based upon conversations from other
- 13 people who might have been involved in some of the
- 14 process. So that's fine.
- In terms of the sequence of events, based upon
- 16 your knowledge either from conversations or looking at
- documents, do you know when the Water Control Manual of
- 18 1985 was developed? That is, what time frame? Over
- 19 what period of time was it developed?
- 20 A. I know when it was completed. I'm not sure
- 21 when it was started. I have no direct knowledge of when
- 22 it was started.
- Q. When was it completed?
- A. In 1985, when it was adopted.
- Q. And that would be reflected on Exhibit No. 24;
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- 1 is that correct?
- 2 A. Yes.
- 3 Q. Mr. Gregg, I believe you stated yesterday -- I
- 4 am not trying to mischaracterize what you said, so this
- 5 is just based upon my recollection.
- I believe you stated that the Water Control
- 7 Manual, Exhibit No. 16, is the set of procedures which
- 8 govern the operations of the Boise River Reservoirs
- 9 during flood control season; is that correct?
- 10 A. It's not the only document, but it's primarily
- 11 the controlling document during flood control season.
- 12 Q. And what other document are you referring to
- 13 besides Exhibit No. 16?
- 14 A. As pointed out in the MOU -- both MOUs -- of
- 15 course, it recognizes the repayment contracts
- 16 Reclamation has with storage users, our Congressional
- 17 authorizations.
- 18 O. And to the extent that the 1985 Water Control
- 19 Manual has no conflict with it, then, also, exhibit -- I
- 20 think it is Exhibit 3 -- excuse me and I will identify
- 21 it -- Exhibit No. 3, the 1953 Memorandum of Agreement
- 22 between the Bureau of Reclamation and the Army Corps of
- 23 Engineers?
- 24 A. And the 1985 MOU.
- Q. Right. But you said this document, Exhibit No.

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- 1 24, which is the 1985 MOU --
- 2 A. Yes.
- 3 Q. -- is the Water Control Manual with all of the
- 4 attachments. I mean, that is the way I understood your
- 5 testimony yesterday.
- 6 A. That's correct.
- 7 Q. So in terms of the regulation of the Boise
- 8 River, what is the primary document that the Bureau of
- 9 Reclamation follows and considers to be binding as it
- 10 relates to day-to-day operations?
- 11 A. Again, the operation is a joint operation. The
- 12 Corps of Engineers has primary jurisdiction under flood
- 13 control. It would be the 1985 Water Control Manual.
- 14 O. And that is Exhibit No. 16; correct?
- 15 A. Correct.
- 16 Q. Now, I would like to you take Exhibit No. 16,
- if you would, sir, and just generally look at it to
- 18 familiarize yourself with it so that I can ask you some
- 19 questions concerning that.
- We already talked yesterday about the first
- 21 seven or eight pages. Please tell me when you have had
- 22 a chance to look at it.
- MR. GEHLERT: It's a pretty long document. Why
- 24 don't we give him a few minutes? We can go off the
- 25 record for a second.

- 1 MR. CAMPBELL: That would be great.
- 2 (Recess.)
- 3 BY MR. CAMPBELL:
- 4 Q. Mr. Gregg, let's go back on the record. Have
- 5 you had a chance to generally review Exhibit No. 16, Mr.
- 6 Gregg?
- 7 A. Yes.
- 8 Q. Can you confirm, generally, with a few
- 9 exceptions of insert documents that do not belong, that
- 10 this is, in fact, the 1985 Water Control Manual?
- 11 A. I would also note that there are several
- insertions, plus some personal notes in some of the
- 13 pages that are not part of the document.
- 0. Otherwise, the document is, basically, the
- 15 correct document; is that right?
- 16 A. Yes.
- 17 Q. In that regard, I want to ask you a number of
- 18 questions concerning some of the provisions. First of
- 19 all, I would like you to turn to the page that has been
- 20 denominated, at the bottom, 1-1, if you could.
- MR. GEHLERT: Scott, before you ask your
- 22 questions, I will just interject the same objection --
- or the same statement I made yesterday about the
- 24 interpretation of the document including legal issues.
- 25 Jerry will talk about his interpretation of the

- 1 documents.
- 2 MR. CAMPBELL: Sure. That is fine. I
- 3 understand.
- 4 Q. Do you have page 1-1?
- 5 A. Yes.
- 6 Q. Mr. Gregg, in the middle paragraph of page 1-1,
- 7 under the general caption that says "Authorization" --
- 8 actually, it says at the top, "Introduction," and then a
- 9 sub-caption says "Authorization."
- In the second full paragraph, there is a
- 11 reference to a document called, quote -- and I quote --
- 12 "A report to the Governor entitled 'Review of Boise
- 13 River Flood Control Management' was completed in
- 14 November 1974 by the Department of Water Resources."
- 15 It goes on to say, quote, "This report
- 16 contained several major recommendations, with the
- 17 primary one being that a new Reservoir Regulation Manual
- 18 should be prepared with an appropriate supporting
- 19 agreement, period, end quote. Did I read that
- 20 correctly?
- 21 A. Yes.
- 22 Q. And I cannot recall from your testimony
- 23 yesterday, but I think you said that you were aware of a
- 24 1974 report that dealt with the Boise River flooding
- 25 issues; is that correct?

- 1 A. Yes. My office has a copy of the 1974 report.
- 2 I don't know if the exact date is this one, but we do
- 3 have it.
- 4 MR. CAMPBELL: Would we be able to obtain a
- 5 copy of that document?
- 6 MR. GEHLERT: I think so.
- 7 THE WITNESS: Yes.
- 8 BY MR. CAMPBELL:
- 9 Q. Thank you. Turn to page 1-3, if you would,
- 10 sir. Do you have that page?
- 11 A. Yes.
- 12 Q. In Paragraph 1-06, captioned "Revisions to this
- 13 Manual," I would like you to review the first full
- 14 paragraph and the second paragraph under that
- 15 sub-caption, continuing on to page 1-4.
- 16 You do not need to read it outloud. Please
- 17 read it to yourself so I can ask you some questions
- 18 concerning it. Have you done that, sir?
- 19 A. Yes.
- 20 Q. Thank you. In terms of those two paragraphs,
- 21 the first paragraph generally describes the Memorandum
- of Agreement between the Department of the Army and the
- 23 Department of the Interior for flood control operation
- of the Boise River Reservoirs dated 20 November 1953.
- 25 That would be Exhibit 3 that you have looked at
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- 1 previously, would it not?
- 2 A. Yes.
- Q. And further on, it talks about, in the second
- 4 paragraph, some need to change the operating criteria
- 5 because of changed conditions, technology, et cetera.
- 6 And then the second paragraph refers to the
- 7 Memorandum of Understanding shown in Exhibit C of this
- 8 manual, which I would like you to identify, if you can,
- 9 sir. It is clear in the back. It has page -- it says
- 10 "Exhibit C" at the top and refers to Memorandum --
- 11 MR. GEHLERT: Excuse me. I was just commenting
- 12 that this copy is missing part of the last sentence.
- 13 MR. CAMPBELL: I understand.
- 14 THE WITNESS: This copy does not say "Exhibit
- 15 C," but the pages are numbered C-1.
- 16 BY MR. CAMPBELL:
- 17 Q. Mr. Gregg, I am not referring to that document,
- 18 however. My copy of the Water Control Manual has a
- 19 cover sheet that says "Exhibit C" and has a "Memorandum"
- 20 of Understanding" reference. I will show it to you so
- 21 you can see what I am referring to. Do you have that
- 22 document now?
- 23 A. Yes, I do.
- Q. And is that Exhibit C document the same as,
- 25 generally -- the actual parties may be -- well, they Deposition of Jerrold D. Gregg, Volumes I and II

- 1 would be the same. Is that document the same as Exhibit
- 2 3 that you have identified previously?
- 3 MR. GEHLERT: Let's take a look at Exhibit 3.
- 4 THE WITNESS: In this copy, it's called
- 5 "Appendix-B."
- 6 BY MR. CAMPBELL:
- 7 Q. I understand.
- 8 A. It's the same as Exhibit 3.
- 9 O. I understand. Just so we are clear, in the
- 10 Water Control Manual of 1985, which has been labeled
- 11 Exhibit 16 and that you are looking at, on page 1-3,
- there is a reference to "Memorandum of Understanding
- 13 shown in Exhibit C of this Manual."
- And that is what I am asking you to look at.
- 15 Exhibit C of the Manual, which is Exhibit 16, appears to
- 16 be the same document as Exhibit 3 that we identified
- 17 previously.
- 18 A. No. I don't believe that's correct.
- 19 O. How is that incorrect?
- 20 A. I think Appendix-B is the 1953 MOU which is
- 21 Exhibit 3. Exhibit C is the 1985 MOU that follows that.
- MR. GEHLERT: Can we have a second to clarify?
- 23 The way the document is organized doesn't make sense.
- 24 Well, this cover says what is labeled as Appendix-B is
- 25 addressed as Exhibit C.
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- 1 THE WITNESS: I understand that. But at the
- 2 top it says "Appendix-B" and "B-1" and then the pages.
- 3 BY MR. CAMPBELL:
- 4 Q. Let me try to clarify this just a little bit
- 5 more. The page that you are looking at in Exhibit 16,
- 6 the cover page, says "Exhibit C." It is a gray page?
- 7 A. Right.
- Q. It has "Exhibit C" in block letters,
- 9 underscored. There is no page number on the document,
- 10 but it says "Exhibit C." Then it says, below "Exhibit
- 11 C," in block letters, "Memorandum of Understanding;" is
- 12 that correct?
- 13 A. Correct.
- Q. And then the next page says, at the top, in
- 15 block letters, "Appendix-B;" correct?
- 16 A. Correct.
- 17 Q. All right.
- 18 MR. GEHLERT: Scott, can we talk just for a
- 19 second off the record?
- MR. CAMPBELL: Sure.
- 21 (An off-the-record discussion was held.)
- 22 BY MR. CAMPBELL:
- Q. Mr. Gregg, I am trying to find Exhibit C, what
- you understand to be Exhibit C, referred to on page 1-3
- of Exhibit 16. We have had a discussion off the record.
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- 1 You, I believe, have identified a document as Exhibit C;
- 2 is that correct?
- 3 A. That's correct.
- 4 Q. And can you describe the caption of the
- 5 document and the bottom letter and number designations
- of the document on the first page for me?
- 7 A. "Memorandum of Understanding for Confirmation,
- 8 Ratification, and Adoption of the Water Control Manual;
- 9 Boise River Reservoirs; Boise River, Idaho." The bottom
- 10 of the page starts with C-1.
- 11 Q. And that document is found where in Exhibit 16?
- 12 Is it in the front? Is it in the middle?
- 13 A. It's in the very back.
- Q. All right. Now, let's turn back to page 1-3.
- We are not going to go through each page; don't worry
- 16 about that. That would take too long, and I have no
- 17 interest in doing that.
- 18 However, I want to understand that second
- 19 paragraph under Section 1-06 concerning revisions to the
- 20 Agreement of 1953. That last paragraph on 1-3, again,
- 21 says -- and I paraphrase -- since the operating criteria
- 22 and procedures in -- I am not paraphrasing, actually.
- 23 Quote, "Since the operating criteria and
- 24 procedures in the Agreement..." I will stop right
- 25 there. What is your understanding of the reference to

- 1 "the Agreement"?
- 2 A. My belief is that refers to the prior paragraph
- 3 which talks about the November 1953 Agreement.
- 4 Q. And then continuing on, the sentence says,
- 5 quote, "...did not reflect current conditions, needs,
- 6 and technology, the Bureau, Corps, and State of Idaho
- 7 jointly agree to revision of operating criteria and
- 8 procedures in the Agreement through the Memorandum of
- 9 Understanding shown in Exhibit C of this Manual, " end
- 10 quote.
- 11 Now, my question is -- I have a couple of
- 12 questions. "The Bureau" refers to the Bureau of
- 13 Reclamation; is that correct?
- 14 A. Correct.
- 15 Q. "Corps" refers to the Corps of Engineers;
- 16 correct?
- 17 A. Correct.
- 18 O. And "State of Idaho" refers to the State of
- 19 Idaho; correct?
- 20 A. Correct.
- 21 Q. Now, I am confused by that statement because,
- 22 in Exhibit C to Exhibit 16, I do not see any signature
- 23 line for the State of Idaho. Am I missing something,
- 24 sir?
- 25 A. The nineteen-fifty -- the 1985 MOU does not Deposition of Jerrold D. Gregg, Volumes I and II

- 1 contain a signature by the State of Idaho. If that was
- 2 your question --
- Q. That was my question. All right. Do you know
- 4 why that is?
- 5 A. Generally, an MOU is an agreement between
- 6 governmental agencies. So I'm not sure how the State of
- 7 Idaho agreed. I have no knowledge of the process.
- 8 Q. Well, would you agree with me that the
- 9 statement that I just read to you from the last
- 10 paragraph suggests that the Memorandum of Understanding
- 11 was the procedure for the Agreement among the Bureau,
- 12 the Corps, and the State of Idaho?
- 13 MR. GEHLERT: Can you rephrase the question?
- 14 BY MR. CAMPBELL:
- 15 Q. Sure. I will start it again. Mr. Gregg, do
- 16 you agree that the first sentence of the last paragraph
- on page 1-3 suggests that the State of Idaho, the Bureau
- 18 of Reclamation, and the Corps of Engineers agreed to
- 19 revising the operating criteria and procedures in the
- 20 1953 Agreement, which you talked about, through use of
- 21 the Memorandum of Understanding that you identified as
- 22 Exhibit C? Do you agree that is what that is saying?
- 23 A. My interpretation is the three parties agreed
- to the revision of the 1953 MOA and the flood control
- 25 criteria. How that was completed or the process is not

- 1 quite clear to me here.
- Q. All right. Now, the reference in the next
- 3 sentence says, quote, "The Memorandum of Understanding
- 4 is a supplement to the Agreement, which does not change
- 5 its terms, but rather incorporates a new operating
- 6 agreement under Article 7 of the 20 November 1953
- 7 agreement, " end quote. Did I read that correctly?
- 8 A. Yes.
- 9 Q. Can you tell me what the reference to
- 10 "Memorandum of Understanding" refers to?
- 11 A. The Memorandum of Understanding is Exhibit C.
- 12 O. And then what does the term -- and this is
- 13 capitalized; the first letter is capitalized -- quote,
- 14 "the Agreement," end quote. What does "the Agreement"
- 15 refer to?
- 16 A. My assumption is it's referring to the prior
- 17 paragraph which talks about the 1953 MOA, Memorandum of
- 18 Agreement.
- 19 Q. And then it goes on to say, "...which does not
- 20 change its terms..." What does the reference to "its
- 21 terms" refer to, from your understanding?
- 22 A. It's terms of the Memorandum of Understanding.
- 23 Q. I want you to read the sentence again and make
- 24 sure that you are comfortable with that response.
- A. Well, I'm not a contract expert. So I'm not Deposition of Jerrold D. Gregg, Volumes I and II

- 1 sure if it's talking about individual terms or
- 2 paragraphs.
- Q. Well, that is fine. If that is your answer,
- 4 that's fine. And then the language says, quote,
- 5 "...which does not change its terms, but rather
- 6 incorporates a new operating agreement under Article 7
- 7 of the 20 November 1983 agreement, "end quote?
- 8 MR. GEHLERT: Jerry, before you answer -- and I
- 9 will allow him to answer -- I will just interject an
- 10 objection on the basis that the MOU, itself, is the best
- 11 evidence of the terms of what it does or does not do.
- 12 Subject to that, I will allow Jerry to answer the
- 13 question.
- 14 BY MR. CAMPBELL:
- 15 Q. Go ahead.
- 16 A. Could you ask the question again?
- MR. CAMPBELL: Why don't you read it back?
- 18 That would be easier for all of us, I think.
- 19 (Whereupon, the pending question was read back
- 20 by the court reporter.)
- 21 THE WITNESS: Could you read it one more time,
- 22 please?
- 23 (Whereupon, the pending question was read back
- 24 by the court reporter.)
- 25 THE WITNESS: That's what this paragraph in the Deposition of Jerrold D. Gregg, Volumes I and II

- 1 Water Control Manual says.
- 2 BY MR. CAMPBELL:
- 3 Q. So I want to understand that particular
- 4 language and how you interpret it. That sentence that
- 5 we have been talking about that starts with, "The
- 6 Memorandum of Understanding..." and ends with "...the 20
- 7 November 1953 agreement, on page 1-3 of Exhibit 16 --
- 8 is that saying, as far as you interpret it, that the
- 9 Memorandum of Understanding, which is Exhibit C, the
- 10 1985 document that the Bureau and the Corps signed to,
- 11 basically, agree to the 1985 Water Control Manual, which
- 12 is this Exhibit 16 -- is that document deemed to be a
- 13 supplement to the 1953 Agreement, which is Exhibit 3?
- 14 That is the first question. Is that what that language
- 15 says?
- MR. GEHLERT: Again, this is subject to the
- 17 same action objection.
- 18 You can answer, Jerry.
- 19 THE WITNESS: You are really asking me a legal
- 20 question. I believe the 1985 MOU is much more precise
- 21 in its language. This is really a legal question of
- 22 what replaces what in the two agreements.
- 23 BY MR. CAMPBELL:
- Q. Well, no. I am asking you if you have an
- understanding of the term "Memorandum of Understanding"

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- 1 and the term "Agreement."
- 2 You already identified that "Memorandum of
- 3 Understanding, as far as you are concerned, refers to
- 4 Exhibit C to Exhibit 16; is that right?
- 5 A. Correct.
- 6 Q. Now, the term "the Agreement," in the first
- 7 part of that sentence that we have been talking about,
- 8 you testified, from your understanding, refers to the
- 9 November 20, 1953, Memorandum of Agreement, which is
- 10 Exhibit 3; correct?
- 11 A. Correct.
- 12 Q. So I am not asking you for a legal conclusion.
- 13 I just want to make sure that these references are to
- 14 the documents that you previously identified.
- 15 A. That's correct.
- 16 Q. All right. And the rest of the sentence talks
- in terms of the Memorandum of Understanding. The way I
- 18 read it, it says it does not change the terms of the
- 19 1953 Agreement but, rather, incorporates a new operating
- 20 agreement under Article 7 of the 20 November 1953
- 21 agreement. That is the way I interpret that.
- Now, am I interpreting that sentence
- incorrectly, Mr. Gregg, from your standpoint?
- 24 A. I don't -- I don't know. I honestly don't
- 25 know.

- 1 Q. How do you interpret that sentence? What does
- 2 that sentence mean, to you?
- A. To me, it means the terms have been replaced by
- 4 the new MOU, the terms of the new MOU, which is the
- 5 Water Control Manual.
- 6 O. The terms --
- 7 A. Certain terms of the 1953 MOA were replaced.
- 8 Q. Well, let's turn to Exhibit 3, if we could.
- 9 Keep that 1-3 open, if you would, please. Do you have
- 10 Exhibit 3, Mr. Gregg?
- 11 MR. GEHLERT: Are you talking about Deposition
- 12 Exhibit 3 or are you talking --
- 13 MR. CAMPBELL: Yes. I am talking about
- 14 Deposition Exhibit 3.
- 15 THE WITNESS: Yes.
- 16 BY MR. CAMPBELL:
- 17 Q. Now, again, this has been identified by you and
- 18 by others as a copy of the 1953 Memorandum of Agreement
- 19 between the Department of the Army and the Department of
- 20 the Interior for Flood Control Operation of Boise River
- 21 Reservoirs, Idaho?
- 22 A. Correct.
- 23 Q. Now, page 1-3 of Exhibit 16 that we have just
- 24 been talking about refers to Article 7 of the 20
- 25 November 1953 Agreement. I would like for you to turn

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- 1 in Exhibit 3 to Article 7.
- 2 Go ahead and read through that so you are
- 3 familiar with it before I ask you a question. Tell me
- 4 when you have finished reading it. Okay?
- 5 A. Yes. I have read it.
- 6 Q. Now, with regard to the language of Article 7
- 7 in Exhibit 3, I have a question that pertains to the
- 8 1985 Water Control Manual, Exhibit 16, and the language
- 9 that we have just been talking about.
- 10 So you are going to need to look at both
- 11 documents, page 1-3 on 16 and I think it is page 13 on
- 12 Exhibit 3. Do you have both of those references?
- 13 A. Yes.
- 14 Q. Now, I am not trying to mischaracterize what
- 15 you said, Mr. Gregg. If I state it incorrectly, just
- 16 make it right and correct me. Okay?
- 17 MR. GEHLERT: Jerry, if it would be helpful to
- 18 have the reporter read back at any time, feel free to do
- 19 that.
- 20 BY MR. CAMPBELL:
- Q. What I understood you to say about the last
- 22 full sentence on page 1-3 of Exhibit 16 -- Exhibit 16,
- 23 again, is the Water Control Manual, 1-3.
- 24 A. Correct.
- Q. What I recall or what I heard -- it may be Deposition of Jerrold D. Gregg, Volumes I and II

- 1 incorrectly, but what I recall you saying is that the
- 2 way you interpret that last sentence, the MOU,
- 3 Memorandum of Understanding, which is Exhibit C to the
- 4 Water Control Manual of 1985 referenced on page 1-3 of
- 5 Exhibit 16 -- that that document, basically, replaced
- 6 the 1953 MOU. Now, is that correct?
- 7 A. That's not quite precise.
- 8 O. Correct me.
- 9 A. What I testified previously is Article (f) of
- 10 the 1985 MOU states -- and I will read it -- "All terms
- and provisions of the Memorandum of Agreement dated 20
- 12 November 1953 not inconsistent with this Memorandum of
- 13 Understanding and the Water Control Manual shall remain
- in full force and effect."
- So those that were inconsistent have been
- 16 replaced; others still are in effect.
- 17 Q. I see. And I appreciate that clarification.
- 18 From the standpoint of the sentence on 1-3 that we are
- 19 talking about in Exhibit 16, I would like you to look at
- 20 that sentence.
- 21 A. Yes. I have looked at the bottom of Paragraph
- 22 1-3.
- Q. Now, in terms of what that sentence says, the
- 24 Memorandum of Understanding that you just made reference
- to, the 1985 Memorandum of Understanding, according to Deposition of Jerrold D. Gregg, Volumes I and II

- 1 this language, is a supplement to the November 1953
- 2 Agreement, which is Exhibit 3.
- According to this language on 1-3, the 1985
- 4 Memorandum of Understanding does not change the terms of
- 5 the November 1953 Agreement.
- Instead, it incorporates a new operating
- 7 agreement under Article 7 of the 20 November 1953
- 8 Agreement. That is what the language says.
- Now, if this language is incorrect, I want you
- 10 to tell me as it relates to your interpretation of
- 11 Article (f) of the 1985 Memorandum of Understanding.
- 12 A. Again, I can give you a layman's interpretation
- 13 of it. To me, that's a legal question.
- 14 Q. I understand. I am asking for your
- interpretation, as the Officer of the Bureau of
- 16 Reclamation who is in charge of supervising the
- 17 administration of the Boise River Reservoirs and in
- 18 charge of supervising the employees of the Bureau that
- 19 make the decisions pursuant to this Exhibit 16.
- I am asking for you, as a non-lawyer, to tell
- 21 me what this means in the context of your prior
- 22 testimony about Subsection (f) of the 1985 Memorandum of
- 23 Understanding.
- 24 A. My understanding -- my interpretation would be
- 25 that Article 6 of the 1953 Agreement, which are the
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- 1 flood control requirements, would be replaced by the new
- 2 flood control curves and operating parameters in the
- 3 1985 Water Control Manual.
- 4 Q. That is the way you interpret the language on
- 5 page 1-3?
- 6 A. Right. I don't know if there are other
- 7 articles that were replaced either but --
- 8 Q. Well, I appreciate that. That is helpful.
- 9 Now, in terms of the provisions of Exhibit 3, Article 7,
- 10 that is referenced on 1-3 of Exhibit 16, I want to ask
- 11 you whether or not any of the modifications to the
- 12 operating procedures that are set forth in Exhibit 16
- that are identified on page 1-3 have any effect upon any
- of the storage rights in Arrowrock or Anderson Ranch
- 15 Dam?
- 16 A. Can you ask the question again?
- MR. CAMPBELL: Why don't you read it back?
- 18 (Whereupon, the pending question was read back
- 19 by the court reporter.)
- MR. GEHLERT: Before you answer, Scott, can you
- 21 identify those modifications, at least in some general
- 22 way? I have a hard time following the question.
- MR. CAMPBELL: Sure. I am sorry.
- Q. Mr. Gregg, in your prior response, I think you
- 25 said your interpretation of the language on page 1-3 is

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- 1 that the operating criteria contained in Paragraph 6 of
- 2 Exhibit 3 were supplanted or changed or totally thrown
- 3 out for the 1985 Water Control Manual which is Exhibit
- 4 16; is that correct? Is that what you meant?
- 5 A. Correct. Correct.
- 6 Q. So given the fact that the 1985 Water Control
- 7 Manual replaced all of the provisions in Paragraph 6,
- 8 which goes on for several pages, my question is: Did
- 9 those changes in 1985 have any impact at all, positive
- 10 or negative, upon the storage rights that had been
- operated pursuant to the 1953 Agreement that was
- 12 modified by the 1985 Water Control Manual? And if you
- 13 need to look at Paragraph 6 to answer the question --
- 14 A. No. I understand.
- 15 Q. Do you understand the question?
- 16 A. I understand the question.
- 17 Q. Okay.
- 18 A. The change --
- MR. GEHLERT: Actually, can we talk for a
- 20 second? I'm not sure I do. I want to know what Jerry
- 21 thinks he is going to answer.
- MR. CAMPBELL: Okay.
- 23 (Recess.)
- 24 BY MR. CAMPBELL:
- Q. We are back on the record. Mr. Gregg, you had Deposition of Jerrold D. Gregg, Volumes I and II

- 1 a conversation with your counsel. I understand that you
- 2 want me to clarify the question or you want me to ask it
- 3 again or --
- 4 A. Yes.
- 5 Q. Do you want me to ask a different question so
- 6 you don't have to answer the one that I presented to
- 7 you?
- 8 A. If you could, restate it.
- 9 O. Maybe I should break it down into certain
- 10 parts. My understanding of your testimony was that you
- 11 interpret the last paragraph on page 1-3 of Exhibit 16
- 12 to mean that the provisions of Section 6 of Exhibit 3
- were replaced by Exhibit 16?
- 14 A. Yes.
- 15 Q. Is that correct?
- 16 A. That's what I stated previously.
- 17 Q. Is that still your testimony?
- 18 A. Yes.
- 19 Q. So we have got that established. Okay. Now,
- 20 the next part of the question is: Do you have an
- 21 understanding of what the provisions of Section 6 of
- 22 Exhibit 3 meant, in terms of Boise River Reservoir
- 23 operations?
- 24 A. I have not ever -- I never went to Section 6
- 25 and tried to recreate what those provisions mean, since Deposition of Jerrold D. Gregg, Volumes I and II

- 1 they are not in effect. So --
- 2 Q. Have you ever reviewed the provisions of
- 3 Section 6?
- 4 A. I briefly read them.
- 5 Q. So what is your statement based upon, then,
- 6 that the 1985 Water Control Manual, Exhibit 16, replaces
- 7 Section 6 of Exhibit 3?
- 8 A. Section 6 of the 1953 Agreement was the first
- 9 attempt at flood operating criteria and rudimentary
- 10 flood control rule curves.
- 11 After the 1974 incident, of course, the 1985
- 12 Water Control Manual was developed, which was a newer,
- more improved version and, as the article states, based
- on technology and the ability to use computers, et
- 15 cetera.
- 16 Q. But from your standpoint, am I correct in
- 17 stating that you have not made a comparison of the
- 18 provisions of Section 6 of Exhibit 3 with the operating
- 19 criteria for the reservoirs set forth in Exhibit 16?
- 20 A. Correct.
- 21 Q. Do you know if anyone with the Bureau of
- 22 Reclamation, prior to the adoption of Exhibit 16,
- 23 conducted any evaluation of the impacts to storage
- 24 rights in Anderson Ranch and Arrowrock Dam which might
- 25 occur because the operating criteria in Section 6 of
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- 1 Exhibit 3 were going to be replaced by the operating
- 2 criteria in Exhibit 16, the 1985 Water Control Manual?
- A. When you say "storage rights," are you talking
- 4 about water rights or storage space?
- 5 Q. I am talking about water accruing to storage in
- 6 Anderson Ranch and Arrowrock Reservoirs, under contract
- 7 between the Bureau of Reclamation and the irrigation
- 8 entities that have the rights to that water that accrues
- 9 in that space.
- 10 A. As I stated previously, I was not here at the
- 11 time; and I am not aware of what processes or analyses
- 12 were done.
- 13 Q. So you do not know --
- 14 A. Correct.
- 15 Q. -- if anyone conducted that evaluation?
- 16 A. I do not know.
- 17 Q. Do you know if anyone would know more than you
- 18 as to whether or not that evaluation was conducted?
- 19 A. As I stated previously, those folks are either
- 20 retired or deceased. I testified to that earlier.
- 21 O. So am I correct in understanding that the
- 22 answer is, no, there is no one else with the Bureau of
- 23 Reclamation, currently employed, who would be better
- 24 postured, in a better position, to know if that
- 25 evaluation was conducted before the 1985 Water Control

- 1 Manual was adopted?
- 2 A. To my knowledge, that's correct.
- 3 Q. Mr. Gregg, I apologize if I am asking a
- 4 question that is similar to what I asked yesterday. If
- 5 you will indulge me, turn to page 13 of Exhibit 3,
- 6 please.
- 7 MR. GEHLERT: Deposition Exhibit 3?
- 8 MR. CAMPBELL: Yes. I am sorry. Deposition
- 9 Exhibit 3, page 13.
- 10 O. That should have Section 7; is that correct?
- 11 A. That's correct.
- 12 Q. Again, I think you have reviewed that provision
- 13 before; is that correct?
- 14 A. Correct.
- 15 Q. And there is a reference at the end of that
- 16 Paragraph, Section 7, to "...concurrence of all entities
- 17 having rights in the reservoir system and Lake Lowell."
- 18 Do you see that reference at the end of the paragraph?
- 19 A. Yes.
- 20 Q. From your understanding, what does the
- 21 reference "entities having rights in the reservoir
- 22 system and Lake Lowell" mean?
- 23 A. Those would be the contractors, irrigation
- 24 companies, and districts that have repayment contracts
- in Arrowrock, Anderson, and Lake Lowell.
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- 1 O. Would that group of entities include Pioneer
- 2 and Settlers Irrigation Districts?
- 3 A. Yes.
- Q. Do you know, from your information, whether or
- 5 not the Bureau of Reclamation provided any notice to
- 6 either Pioneer or Settlers Irrigation District about the
- 7 process that was engaged in to develop and adopt the
- 8 1985 Water Control Manual, Exhibit 16?
- 9 A. No. I have no knowledge.
- 10 Q. Do you know if Pioneer or Settlers Irrigation
- 11 Districts, or their representatives, actually
- 12 participated in the process for the development of
- 13 Exhibit 16, the 1985 Water Control Manual?
- 14 A. I have no knowledge of that.
- 15 Q. Do you have any knowledge of whether or not the
- 16 Bureau of Reclamation obtained the concurrence of
- 17 Pioneer or Settlers Irrigation District with regard to
- 18 the adoption of the 1985 Water Control Manual, Exhibit
- 19 16?
- 20 A. I have no knowledge.
- 21 Q. Do you know anyone with the Bureau of
- 22 Reclamation who would have that knowledge?
- 23 A. I have no direct knowledge of who that would
- 24 be.
- Q. You mentioned some of the folks previously -Deposition of Jerrold D. Gregg, Volumes I and II

- 1 Mr. Golus; Mr. Vinsonhaler; Mr. Van den Berg;
- 2 Mr. Stessman; Mr. Wensman, who I believe is deceased;
- 3 and Mr. Yribar?
- 4 A. Yribar.
- 5 Q. Are those individuals who might have the
- 6 knowledge that I am seeking with regard to that
- 7 particular issue that we have been talking about, as to
- 8 the consent or the concurrence of Pioneer and Settlers
- 9 Irrigation Districts to the adoption of the Water
- 10 Control Manual of 1985?
- 11 A. I would be speculating, but Mr. Vinsonhaler and
- 12 Mr. Van den Berg and Mr. Stessman may.
- 13 Q. Not Mr. Golus?
- 14 A. In his position at the time, I would believe
- 15 not; but I don't know for sure.
- MR. CAMPBELL: Why don't we go ahead and break
- 17 right now for lunch? Let's reconvene at 1:00, if that's
- 18 okay.
- 19 (Lunch recess.)
- MR. CAMPBELL: Would you read back the last
- 21 question and answer, please?
- 22 (Whereupon, the previous question and answer
- were read back by the court reporter.)
- 24 BY MR. CAMPBELL:
- Q. Mr. Gregg, if you would, turn to page 1-4 in Deposition of Jerrold D. Gregg, Volumes I and II

- 1 Exhibit No. 16. Do you have it there, sir?
- 2 A. Yes.
- Q. If you would, read the paragraph at the top of
- 4 that page, please, to yourself. Tell me when you have
- 5 finished.
- 6 MR. GEHLERT: You might want to start with
- 7 the --
- 8 THE WITNESS: Yes.
- 9 BY MR. CAMPBELL:
- 10 Q. Can you tell me whether or not the Bureau of
- 11 Reclamation has made any revisions to the 1985 Water
- 12 Control Manual since its adoption?
- 13 A. Revisions are made by the Corps of Engineers.
- 14 This is a Corps of Engineers document.
- 15 Q. Does the Bureau of Reclamation have any input
- 16 to those revisions?
- 17 A. Yes.
- 18 O. Describe to me how that occurs.
- 19 A. To the best of my knowledge, because that's
- 20 being handled by our Regional Office -- but if the
- 21 revisions affect our reservoirs or operations that
- 22 affect our reservoirs, we have been consulted prior to
- 23 the revision being made.
- Q. By "we," who do you mean?
- 25 A. The Bureau of Reclamation.

- 1 Q. And who specifically? What individuals have
- 2 been involved in that process?
- 3 A. I believe most of them would be the Water
- 4 Operations Group within the Regional Office.
- 5 Q. And could I have the name of the individual who
- 6 is in charge of that group?
- 7 A. Pat McGrane.
- 8 Q. How long has he been in that position? Do you
- 9 know?
- 10 A. I believe, since the late -- mid to -- late
- 11 '90s, I believe.
- 12 Q. And that is a male; is that correct?
- 13 A. Yes.
- 14 Q. Tell me the extent of your involvement in
- 15 communications with respect to that process. Have there
- been any changes to the Water Control Manual? Have you
- 17 been involved in it at all?
- 18 A. In the front of the Manual, which was revised
- in November 1993, we were asked for some information,
- 20 which is a Communications Directory. I am not aware
- of -- I was not involved in any other changes that I can
- 22 remember.
- 23 Q. Are you aware of whether or not any other
- 24 revisions to the 1985 Water Control Manual which have
- 25 occurred since its adoption in 1985 followed the
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- 1 procedures set forth in Article 7 of the 20 November
- 2 1953 Agreement?
- 3 A. I don't have any knowledge to that effect.
- 4 O. Who in the Bureau of Reclamation would have the
- 5 most reliable knowledge with respect to whether or not
- 6 those procedures in Article 7 of the 20 November 1953
- 7 Agreement were followed by the Bureau?
- 8 A. I would need to know which changes you are
- 9 talking about and when they occurred.
- 10 O. I am talking about any of the changes since
- 11 1985. Would Pat McGrane be the person that is most
- 12 knowledgeable about whether or not those procedures were
- 13 followed?
- 14 A. I'm not sure because I notice, in the document,
- some of the changes were made in 1988, 1992. Those
- 16 folks are no longer with the Bureau -- that would have
- 17 been in the Region at the time.
- 18 O. Who are those individuals?
- 19 A. Again, Dan Yribar was Head of Operations at the
- 20 time.
- 21 O. And who else?
- 22 A. Either Mr. Stessman or Mr. Van den Berg who was
- 23 Head of Water and Land at that time.
- Q. At which time?
- 25 A. 1988 to 1992.

- 1 Q. All right. Do you know if the Bureau of
- 2 Reclamation has any documentation of correspondence --
- 3 excuse me -- any documentation of communications between
- 4 the Bureau of Reclamation and the Corps of Engineers
- 5 with respect to the revisions which have occurred to the
- 6 1985 Water Control Manual?
- 7 A. I have no knowledge to that effect.
- 8 Q. And if there were documents that reflected
- 9 those communications or information that exchanged
- 10 between the Corps of Engineers and the Bureau of
- 11 Reclamation concerning that particular process, who
- 12 would be most likely to have that information or know
- 13 where that information is?
- 14 A. If the information hasn't been archived, it
- 15 would be in the Central Files of our Regional Office.
- 16 Q. And who is in charge of the Central Files of
- 17 the Regional Office?
- 18 A. Mr. Cassidy is.
- 19 O. Excuse me?
- A. Mr. Cassidy.
- Q. What is his first name?
- 22 A. Bruce.
- MR. CAMPBELL: We would like to have documents
- 24 that relate to any changes to the 1985 Water Control
- 25 Manual, in terms of documentation of communications.
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- 1 Can that information be made available to us?
- 2 MR. GEHLERT: We will look into it and get back
- 3 to you.
- 4 MR. CAMPBELL: Thank you.
- 5 Q. Mr. Gregg, turn to page 2-1, if you would,
- 6 please.
- 7 A. Yes.
- 8 Q. That is Exhibit 16. I am sorry. The document,
- 9 at the bottom -- that page appears to have some
- 10 handwritten notations. Do you see those handwritten
- 11 notations?
- 12 A. Yes.
- 13 Q. Do you know who made those handwritten
- 14 notations?
- 15 A. No, I do not.
- 16 O. Are those handwritten notations part of the
- 17 official Water Control Manual of 1985?
- 18 A. No.
- 19 Q. From your standpoint as Area Manager -- is that
- 20 your title? I am sorry.
- 21 A. Yes, it is.
- 22 Q. Would you consider those handwritten notations
- 23 to be anything that is binding on the Bureau of
- 24 Reclamation, in terms of the Water Control Manual?
- 25 A. Could you repeat the question?

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- 1 Q. I will ask it a different way. Are those
- 2 handwritten notations part of the official Water Control
- 3 Manual of 1985?
- 4 A. No, they are not.
- 5 Q. So they do not have any regulatory power, then,
- 6 in terms of your reservoir operations?
- 7 MR. GEHLERT: Jerry, let's talk for just a
- 8 second. Excuse us.
- 9 (Recess.)
- 10 BY MR. CAMPBELL:
- 11 Q. Are you ready to proceed?
- 12 A. Yes.
- Q. Can you answer the question, please?
- 14 A. My understanding of the handwritten notes on
- 15 page 2-1 of Exhibit 16 is of an administration decision
- 16 made by Reclamation to maintain certain minimum flows
- 17 and cease the peaking operations that used to occur at
- 18 Anderson Ranch Reservoir.
- 19 And that was an administrative decision, and
- 20 it's reflected in a memo that's in an earlier part of
- 21 the document. So it was an administrative decision by
- 22 Reclamation at the time.
- I'm not sure -- I do not know, without going
- 24 through the whole document, whether that is reflected in
- 25 the Water Control Manual or not.
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- 1 O. Whether what is reflected in the Water Control
- 2 Manual?
- 3 A. This decision on the minimum flow from Anderson
- 4 Ranch.
- 5 Q. Well, but --
- 6 A. That's what the handwritten note refers to.
- 7 Q. But does that change your testimony that the
- 8 handwritten note is officially part of the Water Control
- 9 Manual of 1985?
- 10 A. Just because it's handwritten, no, it does not
- 11 make it part of the Water Control Manual. What I am
- 12 saying is this same information may be further in the
- 13 document. I don't know for sure.
- Q. That is fine. I am not asking that.
- 15 A. All right.
- 16 Q. If that is the case, that is fine. I just want
- to establish that you do not make revisions to this 1985
- 18 Water Control Manual by handwritten notes by someone and
- 19 you don't even know who made the notes?
- 20 A. Correct.
- 21 O. All right. You made reference to another
- 22 document at the beginning of the Manual. What is the
- 23 title of that document, Mr. Gregg?
- 24 A. This is included in the exhibit, but it's not
- 25 part of the Water Control Manual. It is a memorandum Deposition of Jerrold D. Gregg, Volumes I and II

- 1 from the Planning Officer to the Project Superintendent
- 2 dated March 5, 1981.
- Q. And what is the subject of that document?
- 4 A. River flow releases below Anderson Ranch Dam.
- 5 Q. Have you ever seen that particular document
- 6 before?
- 7 A. Yes, I have.
- 8 Q. And what do you consider the meaning of this
- 9 particular document to be? What does it do? What
- impact does it have, in terms of minimum streamflows?
- 11 A. It's an Administrative Decision by Reclamation
- 12 to set certain minimum flows in the Boise River during
- 13 non-flood control periods or periods when we're not
- 14 releasing water for irrigation demand.
- It was for fisheries and, also, to have a base
- load of power generation and to discontinue the practice
- 17 of peak loading.
- 18 O. And this document is not part of the Water
- 19 Control Manual of 1985; is that right?
- 20 A. No, it is not. It is part of our proposed
- 21 actions in our biological assessment.
- 22 Q. In terms of implementation of this, the policy
- reflected in this March 5, 1981, memorandum, has the
- 24 Bureau of Reclamation followed this policy with respect
- 25 to the operation of Anderson Ranch Reservoir?

- 1 A. To a large extent, we have. There have been
- 2 some drought years where the requirement to go to 600
- 3 cfs by April 1st would have caused us to lose storage
- 4 out of the system.
- 5 So we have received a variance from Idaho Fish
- 6 and Game. There are some years, because of drought
- 7 conditions, we have started the 300 cfs release earlier.
- 8 Other than that, yes, this is our operating criteria.
- 9 Q. And is it still in effect today?
- 10 A. Yes. Yes, it is.
- 11 Q. And you mentioned a variance from Idaho Fish
- 12 and Game. What do you mean by that?
- 13 A. Well, we consult -- since it's -- "variance"
- 14 may not be the precise word. We consulted with Idaho
- 15 Fish and Game since these flows were set for fish
- 16 propagation. So we consulted with them and tried to
- 17 mitigate the adverse effects to rainbow trout, to
- 18 spawning.
- 19 O. Did the Bureau of Reclamation pursue any
- 20 amendments of its water rights, or any water rights, for
- 21 Anderson Ranch Reservoir to implement this policy that
- is reflected in the 1981 Memorandum?
- 23 A. I have no knowledge to that effect.
- Q. So you do not know if it was done or not?
- 25 A. I don't know if it was required. I don't know Deposition of Jerrold D. Gregg, Volumes I and II

- 1 if it was done. I have no knowledge of that.
- 2 Q. And do you know if there was any consultation
- 3 with -- or has there been any consultation with any of
- 4 the entities having storage rights in Anderson Ranch
- 5 Reservoir concerning this set of criteria or procedures
- 6 that is set forth in the 1981 Memorandum?
- 7 A. Of course, I wasn't here when the 1981 Memo was
- 8 put out. I don't know if there was consultation or not.
- 9 I believe, though, that this procedure is within the
- 10 confines of the 1943 storage contracts with the space
- 11 holders that allow us to release storage water from
- 12 Anderson Ranch as long as we can restore it in
- 13 Arrowrock. So I don't believe that this criteria is
- 14 outside of those provisions.
- 15 Q. I appreciate that answer, Mr. Gregg; but
- 16 perhaps I did not make the question very clear. My
- 17 question was: To your knowledge, since you have been in
- 18 charge of the Boise River Reservoir operations since
- 19 1987, has there been any consultation with any of the
- 20 irrigation contract holders with space in Anderson Ranch
- 21 Reservoir concerning this March 1981 Memorandum and the
- 22 procedures set forth in that?
- 23 A. To my knowledge, the last time we had to make a
- 24 change in this criteria, yes, we did consult with
- 25 several of the irrigation districts. I cannot remember

- 1 which ones or all of them. I know we met with the Board
- of Control and the watermaster.
- Q. What do you mean by a change in the procedures?
- 4 Are you talking about the 1981 Memorandum?
- 5 A. Correct.
- 6 Q. Do you recall when this change occurred?
- 7 A. It was a drought year. We wanted to delay
- 8 going from the 300 cfs to the 600 cfs because it looked
- 9 like it may jeopardize some of the storage in the
- 10 system. We may not be able to hold it in the lower
- 11 system.
- So we consulted with Idaho Fish and Game, some
- of the contractors; and we did delay that, I believe, by
- 14 ten or fifteen days that year.
- 15 Q. Do you recall if you consulted with all of the
- 16 entities having irrigation storage contracts in Anderson
- 17 Ranch Reservoir?
- 18 A. No, I do not.
- 19 O. By your answer, do you recall that you did not
- 20 consult with all of them or what?
- 21 A. We consulted with some of them. I don't
- 22 believe we consulted with all of them, but I can't
- 23 remember.
- Q. Have you consulted with any of the irrigation
- 25 entities with storage contracts in Anderson Ranch
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- 1 Reservoir, except for that one time concerning the
- 2 Memorandum of March 1981?
- 3 A. Can you ask that again?
- 4 Q. Sure. You mentioned the one time. I think you
- 5 said 1989. Isn't that the year you chose?
- 6 A. No. I didn't say what year it was.
- 7 Q. I am sorry. I apologize. You mentioned one
- 8 particular year when there was a drought, and you
- 9 consulted with Idaho Fish and Game to get a variance.
- 10 You said that you consulted with some of the irrigation
- 11 contractors?
- 12 A. Correct.
- Q. Was there any other instance where you
- 14 consulted any irrigation contractors in Anderson Ranch
- 15 Reservoir concerning this March 1981 Memorandum?
- 16 A. I just don't remember. I don't have any
- 17 knowledge. I know my Head of Water Operations discussed
- 18 it with the watermaster and Idaho Fish and Game. But
- 19 whether other contractors were consulted, I do not know.
- 20 Q. I am not talking about just that one instance.
- 21 A. Correct.
- 22 Q. I am talking about any other instance.
- 23 A. Right. I just don't remember who we consulted
- 24 with. I know we consulted with the watermaster and
- 25 Idaho Fish and Game.

- 1 Q. And who would be the individual with your Water
- 2 Operations Division, or Group, that might have had some
- 3 consultations?
- 4 A. For the last several years, it would have been
- 5 Brian Sauer, who is Head of Water Operations. Prior to
- 6 that, it was Rick Wells, who is retired.
- 7 Q. Is there anyone else with the Bureau of
- 8 Reclamation that might have had consultations with the
- 9 irrigation entities having storage space in Anderson
- 10 Ranch Reservoir --
- 11 A. No.
- 12 Q. -- concerning this memo?
- 13 A. No, I don't believe so. Not in the instances
- 14 that I'm talking about.
- 15 Q. I am not talking about just the instance that
- 16 you described. I am talking about any consultations
- 17 during the time that you have been Area Manager --
- 18 A. Right.
- 19 Q. -- or Central Snake Projects Superintendent.
- 20 Did I get that right?
- 21 A. Correct.
- 22 Q. Oh, good. I am proud of myself. In any of
- 23 those years, were there any other consultations
- 24 concerning the 1981 Memo -- with the irrigation
- 25 entities?

- 1 A. It would have been done by staff from my
- 2 office. So --
- 3 O. So either Mr. Brian Sauer --
- 4 A. Or myself or Mr. Rick Wells.
- 5 Q. All right. And you only recall that one time
- 6 that you described?
- 7 A. No. There's been several times.
- 8 Q. Tell me about that.
- 9 A. There has been one or two times, I believe --
- 10 I'm going from memory -- in the spring and a couple of
- 11 times in the fall.
- 12 Q. And did they all involve adjustments of the
- 13 flow regime that is described in the 1981 Memorandum?
- 14 A. Not the flow levels. The timing of when the
- 15 changes were made.
- 16 O. As reflected in the 1981 Memorandum?
- 17 A. Correct.
- 18 O. All right. And do you know if those other
- 19 instances of consultation --
- 20 A. Consultation?
- 21 Q. Excuse me. You can correct the word choice, if
- 22 you like, after I finish the question. Do you know if
- 23 those other instances of consultation with irrigation
- 24 entities involved all of the contract holders in
- 25 Anderson Ranch Reservoir?

- 1 A. I just don't remember.
- Q. Would it be likely that you
- 3 actually contacted -- that the Bureau actually contacted
- 4 all of the contract holders to have these kinds of
- 5 discussions?
- 6 A. It probably would have been unlikely that we
- 7 would have contacted some of the very small contractors.
- 8 A lot of these changes were discussed in public
- 9 meetings, but it would have been unlikely that we called
- 10 all of the small contractors.
- 11 Q. Well, now, I am definitely curious because you
- 12 said these changes would have been discussed in public
- 13 meetings. How were they public meetings?
- 14 A. Well, any meetings where we made presentations
- on our water operations, such as I mentioned, the
- 16 monthly water supply forecast meetings that the State
- 17 holds. You know, if they were timely at the time, we
- 18 would have said, "We are making this change."
- 19 O. But they --
- 20 A. There wouldn't have been a specific meeting
- 21 called to announce this change.
- 22 Q. I see. That is what I am trying to determine.
- 23 A. Right.
- Q. There would not have been any special notice
- 25 sent out to any of the irrigation contractors concerning

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- 1 the changes in operation as to the 1981 Memorandum?
- 2 A. No.
- Q. Mr. Gregg, in order to speed things along, I do
- 4 not want to have to ask you about every handwritten
- 5 notation in this document.
- Is it correct that, as far as you are
- 7 concerned, as the Bureau of Reclamation official in
- 8 charge of Boise River Reservoir operations for the
- 9 Bureau's functions, that any handwritten notations in
- 10 Exhibit 16 would not be part of the official 1985 Water
- 11 Control Manual?
- 12 A. The official part of the Water Control Manual
- is labeled and the pages are numbered. So those
- 14 additions that are not labeled or numbered -- the
- 15 handwritten notes are not part of the Manual.
- 16 Q. So the handwritten notes on those pages that
- 17 are labeled and numbered are not part of the Manual; is
- 18 that correct?
- 19 A. The ones I have reviewed -- yes, that's true --
- 20 are not part of the official Manual. They are notes.
- Q. Well, let me ask it this way. Would there be
- 22 any handwritten notes that you, as the Area Manager,
- 23 would consider to be official modifications of the
- 24 actual typed text of the Water Control Manual of 1985?
- 25 A. This is a Corps of Engineers Manual done
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- 1 according to their procedures. So only if the Corps had
- 2 said, "These are an official part of the document."
- 3 Q. So --
- 4 A. But my understanding is that there are none
- 5 that I'm aware of.
- 6 Q. So do you have an understanding as to whether
- 7 or not the Corps has ever adopted changes to the 1985
- 8 Water Control Manual by handwritten notes?
- 9 A. Not to my knowledge.
- 10 Q. And would they have been able to do something
- 11 like that without your knowledge, in the last twenty
- 12 years?
- 13 A. I assume they would have notified us.
- 0. Well, why don't you tell me how the
- 15 notification procedure takes place as it relates to the
- 16 Corps of Engineers changing the 1995 Water Control
- 17 Manual? Do you know how that works?
- 18 A. I am not familiar with their procedures.
- 19 From --
- 20 Q. I am talking about as to them notifying the
- 21 Bureau of Reclamation.
- 22 A. The changes -- the revisions that I've seen
- 23 have been, I assume, made by official memorandum from
- 24 their office to our Regional Office. Then they are
- 25 incorporated in the Water Control Manual.

- 1 These are controlled documents. There are so
- 2 many of them. The Corps knows who has them. So they
- 3 are sent to each holder of the document.
- 4 Q. I see. Do you know if they replace entire
- 5 pages? Do they add inserts, such as these pink pages in
- 6 the front? Are you familiar with that process?
- 7 A. It can be both.
- 8 Q. It can be both?
- 9 A. Yes.
- 10 Q. Turn your attention to page 7-1, if you would,
- 11 please, of Exhibit 16. To your knowledge, Mr. Gregg --
- 12 and you can take as much time as you want to read it --
- has the first Paragraph 7-02 with the caption
- 14 "Authorized Reservoir Uses" been changed by the
- 15 handwritten notes that are shown on the right-hand side
- 16 of that paragraph?
- 17 A. Could you ask the question again?
- 18 O. Sure. The first paragraph under Section 7-02
- 19 that has the sub-caption "Authorized Reservoir Uses" --
- 20 that first paragraph, apparently, has some handwritten
- 21 notes on the right-hand side of the first paragraph,
- 22 about half-way down. Do you see the handwritten
- 23 notes?
- 24 A. Yes, I do.
- Q. Is it your understanding that the handwritten Deposition of Jerrold D. Gregg, Volumes I and II

- 1 notes on the right-hand side of that paragraph are part
- of the official 1985 Water Control Manual?
- 3 A. No. They are handwritten notes that somebody
- 4 has added.
- 5 Q. So they are not part of the official Manual; is
- 6 that correct?
- 7 A. That's correct.
- 8 Q. And if the official Manual had been changed,
- 9 would the printed material in the first full paragraph
- of Section 7-02 read the way it does today?
- 11 A. No, it would not.
- 12 Q. As far as you are concerned, that first
- paragraph, 7-02, is still the official 1985 Water
- 14 Control Manual; is that correct?
- 15 A. Yes.
- 16 Q. In the last sentence of that first paragraph,
- 17 it talks about the Bureau of Reclamation being in the
- 18 process of amending and finalizing Lucky Peak Lake
- 19 storage permit by designating -- and I quote --
- 20 "...102,300 acre-feet of non-contracted space for
- 21 streamflow maintenance and municipal and industrial
- uses," end quote.
- Can you tell me whether the municipal and
- industrial uses were part of the permit amendment
- 25 process undertaken by the Bureau of Reclamation for

- 1 Lucky Peak storage rights?
- 2 A. I would have to review the Water Right -- the
- 3 Water Right License.
- 4 Q. Well, we have that document. I believe it is
- 5 over here.
- 6 MR. FARRIS: 11.
- 7 BY MR. CAMPBELL:
- 8 Q. Thank you. It is Deposition Exhibit No. 11.
- 9 A. And I would also like to look at the permit
- 10 application.
- 11 Q. And, you know, if you brought those documents
- 12 with you --
- 13 A. I did not.
- Q. Well, we will have to review that at a
- 15 different time when we continue the deposition. If you
- 16 would like to get Deposition Exhibit No. 11 now --
- 17 A. Is 11 right there?
- 18 MR. CAMPBELL: No. This is 26.
- 19 Counsel, I would like to request a copy of the
- 20 permit application that Mr. Gregg has identified that he
- 21 wants to review so that I know that I have the same
- 22 document that he feels is relevant or significant for
- 23 him to answer the question.
- MR. GEHLERT: Certainly. I believe that you do
- 25 already have it. I think it was in --
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- 1 MR. CAMPBELL: I believe I do, too, but I want
- 2 to make sure that it is --
- MR. GEHLERT: I will confirm it's the same one.
- 4 MR. CAMPBELL: -- the same one he is
- 5 identifying.
- 6 Can you answer the question, Mr. Gregg?
- 7 THE WITNESS: Can you repeat the question,
- 8 again?
- 9 MR. CAMPBELL: Go ahead and read it back.
- 10 (Whereupon, the previous question found on page
- 11 174, line 16, through page 175, line 1, was read back by
- 12 the court reporter.)
- 13 THE WITNESS: Without seeing the permit
- 14 application, I am not sure I can totally answer the
- 15 question but the license -- 152,300 is for streamflow
- 16 maintenance.
- I believe -- it's speculation on my part that
- 18 what is being described in the Water Control Manual as
- one of the purposes listed in the permit was for water
- 20 quality purposes and aesthetics. It was not intended
- 21 for M&I contracting.
- 22 BY MR. CAMPBELL:
- 23 Q. And you pointed to Exhibit 16 when you
- 24 mentioned that?
- 25 A. Yes, sir.

- 1 Q. Are you talking about the language of the last
- 2 sentence in the first paragraph?
- 3 A. Yes.
- 4 O. 7-02?
- 5 A. Yes.
- 6 Q. Thank you very much. Mr. Gregg, do you know
- 7 when the Bureau of Reclamation obtained the approval of
- 8 the Department of Water Resources to amend the water
- 9 permit for Lucky Peak Reservoir to include the
- 10 additional 102,300 acre-feet for in-stream-flow use?
- 11 A. No, I do not.
- 12 Q. Based upon the language of the first paragraph,
- 13 7-02, on page 7-1 of Exhibit 16, it states, "The Bureau
- of Reclamation is in the process of amending and
- 15 finalizing the Lucky Peak storage permit by designating
- 16 102,300 acre-feet of non-contracted space for streamflow
- 17 maintenance and municipal and industrial uses."
- 18 My assumption is -- and I am asking you if this
- is a correct assumption, based upon what I am reading
- 20 here -- at the time this 1985 Water Control Manual was
- 21 enacted and adopted, in fact, the storage permit had not
- 22 been amended for that additional streamflow maintenance.
- Is that a safe assumption, given the language
- of Section 7-02 on page 7-1 of Exhibit 16?
- 25 MR. GEHLERT: Scott, can I ask you to clarify
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- 1 whether you are asking whether it had been amended, in
- 2 the sense that we had applied to have the permit
- 3 amended, or whether the Department of Water Resources
- 4 had made a decision on our application?
- 5 MR. CAMPBELL: Fine. That is an appropriate
- 6 clarification.
- 7 Q. Whether the Department of Water Resources had
- 8 actually made a decision approving the requested
- 9 amendment of the permit at the time the 1985 Water
- 10 Control Manual was adopted as reflected, particularly in
- 11 view of the language of 7-02?
- 12 A. Reading the plain language, it says that the
- 13 Bureau is in the process. So I would assume that
- 14 Reclamation had made an application to amend the permit,
- 15 and it was not complete at the time the Manual was
- 16 written.
- 17 Q. Written or adopted?
- 18 A. Adopted.
- 19 Q. From what you testified earlier, it took some
- 20 time to write the Manual?
- 21 A. Yes.
- 22 Q. Thank you. Can you explain to me, Mr. Gregg,
- 23 the understanding you have as it relates to the language
- of 7-03 on page 7-2 of Exhibit 16, particularly with
- 25 respect to the 102,300 acre-feet for streamflow
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- 1 maintenance and municipal and industrial uses? My
- 2 question is to the point of whether or not that language
- 3 is in conflict with the language in 7-02.
- 4 MR. GEHLERT: I will just note the objection I
- 5 have made before about these questions requiring legal
- 6 interpretation of the documents. I understand you are
- 7 asking Jerry for his opinion, and I will allow him to
- 8 offer that.
- 9 MR. CAMPBELL: I am asking for his opinion as
- 10 the Area Manager of the Bureau of Reclamation, the
- 11 person that has been designated by the Bureau as the
- 12 person that is most knowledgeable about operations of
- 13 the Boise River Reservoirs.
- 14 THE WITNESS: Would you ask the question again?
- 15 BY MR. CAMPBELL:
- 16 O. Sure. I will make it very short. In your
- 17 mind, is there a conflict between the language of 7-03
- on page 7-2 and the language of Paragraph 7-02 on page
- 19 7-1 of Exhibit 16?
- 20 A. There's some language in 7-03 that I don't
- 21 understand and I would need a contract interpretation
- 22 for it because the language appears to place streamflow
- 23 maintenance as a primary purpose and on the same plane
- 24 as irrigation and flood control.
- Q. And why is that confusing to you?

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- 1 A. That's not my understanding of how the rest of
- 2 the document is written.
- 3 Q. And can you tell me what your understanding of
- 4 the term "primary use" would be, as it relates to this
- 5 1985 Water Control Manual?
- 6 A. Well, that's what I would need somebody like a
- 7 contract -- some expert in how this document was put
- 8 together. To me, I'm thinking -- or I'm talking about
- 9 authorized uses of the various projects. This seems to
- 10 talk about, primarily, how the water is used. To me,
- 11 those are two different things.
- 12 Q. All right.
- 13 A. To me, the second time I read it, it seems to
- 14 indicate, like I said, how the water is used and not the
- 15 authorized purpose of it.
- 16 Q. And, again, I know you testified about this;
- 17 but so it is in the context of your testimony now, the
- 18 authorized purpose of the water is what exactly? Is
- 19 that the purpose that is authorized pursuant to
- 20 Congressional action? Is that what you are talking
- 21 about?
- MR. GEHLERT: Authorized purpose of the water
- 23 or the reservoir?
- MR. CAMPBELL: I think he said, "water."
- 25 THE WITNESS: I guess I was talking about Deposition of Jerrold D. Gregg, Volumes I and II

- 1 authorized -- I guess I'm getting a little confused,
- 2 myself.
- 3 BY MR. CAMPBELL:
- 4 Q. I don't want you to. Take your time, Mr.
- 5 Gregg. If you are talking about the authorized purpose
- 6 of the reservoir, that is fine. I just need to confirm
- 7 that.
- 8 A. That was the context that I was speaking of.
- 9 Q. And by "authorized purpose," are you referring
- 10 to the purposes for the reservoir authorized by
- 11 Congressional action?
- 12 A. Yes.
- Q. Are there any other authorizations that you
- 14 would be referring to when you say "authorized purpose"
- or "purposes"?
- 16 A. Well, certainly, the contracts that we have
- 17 discussed earlier in my testimony.
- 18 O. I am not asking about the contracts.
- 19 A. Okay.
- 20 Q. Are there any other authorized purposes, as it
- 21 relates to your understanding of how Reclamation
- 22 functions and operates the reservoirs?
- MR. GEHLERT: Jerry, why don't you ask to have
- 24 your testimony read back from yesterday? You identified
- 25 several sources of authorization. You can ask for that.
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- 1 MR. CAMPBELL: We can go off the record.
- 2 (Whereupon, the proceedings found at page 28,
- 3 line 23, through page 29, line 23, were read back by the
- 4 court reporter for counsel during the recess.)
- 5 (Recess.)
- 6 MR. CAMPBELL: We identified some of your prior
- 7 testimony while you were gone, and I think you have
- 8 already answered the question. If you would like us to
- 9 have the court reporter read it, that is fine.
- MR. GEHLERT: No. I just wanted to make -- he
- 11 had been more expansive previously, and I wanted to make
- 12 sure the record reflected that.
- MR. CAMPBELL: So I don't need an additional
- 14 record on that, Mr. Gregg. Thank you.
- 15 THE WITNESS: Well, I think I would like to
- 16 rephrase the last part of my statement again to reflect
- 17 my earlier testimony. What I was stating is all of the
- 18 space in Lucky Peak is subject to flood control.
- I mean, we can evacuate all of the space, both
- 20 contracted and non-contracted, for flood control. When
- 21 you refill the reservoir, both the contracted and the
- 22 non-contracted, which includes streamflow maintenance,
- 23 it is on an equal footing.
- 24 Within the streamflow maintenance account, that
- 25 portion of the reservoir, the use of that water would be
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- 1 the primary purpose of that. So that's how we interpret
- 2 this paragraph.
- 3 BY MR. CAMPBELL:
- 4 Q. Do you have an understanding of the effect of
- 5 water permits in Idaho?
- 6 A. I am not a water rights specialist.
- 7 Q. I won't go into that, then. We will argue that
- 8 part in court. Turn your attention, now, to page 7-8 of
- 9 Exhibit 16, please. Do you have that page, 7-8?
- 10 A. Yes.
- 11 Q. Can you tell me if you can explain what that
- 12 page is, generally? I am not asking you to explain all
- of the details because there are lots of numbers and
- 14 lots of abbreviations, et cetera. But do you know what
- 15 that page is supposed to represent?
- 16 A. I believe so. I'm not an expert on this part
- of the document; but if you go to 7-5, it states, from
- 18 January 1 through March 1 -- it describes how the flood
- 19 control space would be calculated. I believe that's
- 20 what 7-8 portrays is some of the calculations.
- 21 Q. I see. Okay. Thank you. Back-tracking just a
- 22 bit, there is an area that I wanted to ask you a
- 23 question on, 7-3. If you would, go back to that page of
- 24 the exhibit. Okay. Are you there, sir?
- 25 A. Yes.

- 1 Q. In the first full paragraph on page 7-3 of the
- 2 exhibit, would you read that paragraph to yourself and
- 3 tell me when you have finished reading the paragraph?
- 4 A. 7-05.
- 5 Q. No, no. On page 7-3, the first full paragraph.
- 6 MR. GEHLERT: "Optimum Irrigation Use"?
- 7 MR. CAMPBELL: Yes, "Optimum Irrigation Use."
- 8 THE WITNESS: Yes. I have read it.
- 9 BY MR. CAMPBELL:
- 10 Q. Mr. Gregg, can you tell me, particularly
- 11 focusing upon the last sentence of that paragraph, what
- 12 your understanding is of the phrase "maintenance of
- minimum fish and wildlife and water quality flows"?
- 14 What does that refer to?
- 15 A. It's what we call streamflow maintenance. That
- 16 is what this is.
- 17 O. And can --
- 18 A. My --
- 19 O. Go ahead.
- 20 A. My understanding of -- how this paragraph is
- 21 written is talking about releases during the
- 22 non-irrigation season, as the paragraph says, for fish
- 23 and wildlife and water quality flows.
- Q. Can you tell me how "...refill for irrigation,"
- which is referred to in that last sentence, "directly Deposition of Jerrold D. Gregg, Volumes I and II

- 1 conflicts with the maintenance of minimum fish and
- 2 wildlife and water quality flows"?
- 3 A. Well, the paragraph is titled "Use Conflicts."
- 4 So the paragraph is explaining that, if you run the
- 5 reservoir strictly for flood control or strictly for
- 6 irrigation, what the effects are. So it's describing
- 7 how the -- you know, the balance between those different
- 8 uses.
- 9 In the context of this paragraph, it's saying,
- 10 if you maximize storage for one use, it may reduce the
- 11 use -- the other uses.
- 12 Q. I understand that, generally, and that makes
- 13 sense to me. But what I am asking from you,
- 14 specifically, is: Based upon your experience over the
- 15 last twenty years, your knowledge of how the reservoir
- 16 system on the Boise River works and your familiarity
- 17 with this Water Control Manual, how would refill for
- 18 irrigation in the system directly conflict with
- 19 maintenance of minimum fish and wildlife and water
- 20 quality flows? That is what I am asking. Or is that
- 21 statement totally incorrect?
- 22 A. No. To me, it's inferring that the other
- 23 reservoirs -- which Anderson and Arrowrock are
- 24 predominantly storage for irrigation and Lake Lowell has
- 25 a senior water right to Lucky Peak. By storing water

- 1 for irrigation, it does -- it could, in some years,
- 2 reduce the refill probability of the uncontracted space
- 3 that was preserved for streamflow maintenance.
- 4 Q. Thank you. That is what I thought it meant,
- 5 too.
- Turn to page 7-15, if you would, please, Mr.
- 7 Gregg, of Exhibit 16. If you would, start reading, just
- 8 to yourself, at the bottom of page 7-15, the phrase that
- 9 starts, "The final 60,000 acre-feet..." and continue on
- 10 over to the middle of page 7-16 where the last phrase is
- 11 "....Boise River stream maintenance flows." Do you see
- 12 that phrase?
- 13 A. Yes.
- 14 Q. If you would, read those provisions for me,
- 15 sir, first, before I ask you some questions.
- 16 A. Yes.
- 17 Q. Again, I would like to ask you concerning the
- 18 references in that portion of the Water Control Manual
- of 1985, dealing with the language which I will quote in
- 20 the middle of the top portion of the paragraph on page
- 21 7-16.
- 22 "The Bureau of Reclamation has the temporary
- 23 State permit for Lucky Peak Lake storage and will be
- 24 finalizing the permit by requesting that the Lucky Peak
- 25 Lake non-contracted space be assigned as follows:
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- 1 "1. 13,950 acre-feet of water volume between
- 2 pool elevations 3055 to 3060 for exclusive flood
- 3 control.
- 4 "2. 102,300 acre-feet for stream maintenance
- 5 flows and municipal and industrial uses."
- 6 Mr. Gregg, we discussed this reference to
- 7 stream maintenance flows and municipal and industrial
- 8 uses earlier in the Water Control Manual of 1985. Is
- 9 your answer with respect to what that phrase means any
- 10 different in the context of this reference?
- 11 A. No, it is not.
- 12 Q. Thank you. Then I see the next page is a
- 13 non-numbered page titled, at the top, "Computation
- 14 Sheet." Do you see that document?
- 15 A. Yes.
- 16 Q. What is your understanding of the status of
- 17 this particular document as it relates to being an
- 18 official part of the 1985 Water Control Manual?
- 19 A. It's somebody's handwritten notes.
- 20 Q. Is it an official part of the Manual?
- 21 A. No.
- Q. And turn to page 7-23 of Exhibit 16. At the
- 23 top, it is identified as Section 7-06, "Irrigation Water
- 24 Supply Plan"?
- 25 A. Yes.

- 1 O. There are certain handwritten notes at the
- 2 bottom of that page. Mr. Gregg, are those notes,
- 3 handwritten notes, part of the official 1985 Water
- 4 Control Manual?
- 5 A. No.
- 6 Q. And turning to -- do you need to take a break,
- 7 or are you okay?
- 8 A. No. I'm okay.
- 9 Q. Turn to page 7-30, if you would, sir, of
- 10 Exhibit 16. Again, if you would, look at the bottom
- 11 paragraph on 7-30 and read over to the end of the second
- 12 paragraph on page 7-31, just before the section that
- 13 says "7-11." If you could, read that section. Tell me
- 14 when you have finished.
- 15 A. Yes.
- 16 Q. Mr. Gregg, the language that I asked you to
- 17 read talks about a number of things; but it does
- 18 describe the phrase "primary use." It talks about the
- 19 "...50,000 acre-foot space allocation for Idaho Fish and
- 20 Game Department as required by the current Lucky Peak
- 21 storage permit."
- Then it says, quote, "This allocation is a
- 23 primary use within Lucky Peak and is equal to flood
- 24 control and irrigation."
- 25 Then it goes on to say, "The purpose of this Deposition of Jerrold D. Gregg, Volumes I and II

- 1 space allocation is to provide minimum fish and wildlife
- 2 streamflows below Lucky Peak Dam during the
- 3 non-irrigation season, " end quote.
- 4 And it goes on, but that is the portion I want
- 5 to ask you about. Mr. Gregg, can you tell me what is
- 6 meant, from your standpoint and your understanding, by
- 7 the term "allocation"?
- 8 A. My understanding of the words "space
- 9 allocation" is talking about the uncontracted water
- 10 space with its water storer. So it's talking about a
- 11 50,000 acre-foot space within the reservoir that was
- 12 included on the original -- or was included on the
- 13 permit for streamflow maintenance.
- 14 Q. The term -- and I am not trying to confuse you
- or trick you. Again, do you have an understanding of
- 16 what the term "primary use" means?
- 17 A. It would be the same as my previous testimony.
- 18 O. And --
- 19 A. I want --
- Q. Go ahead. I'm sorry.
- 21 A. I want to go back to "space allocation."
- 22 Reclamation uses the word "active capacity," 50,000
- 23 acre-feet of active capacity.
- Q. Really, this is sort of a Corps of Engineers
- 25 term?

- 1 A. I would presume so.
- Q. All right. Thank you for for that
- 3 clarification.
- 4 Then on the next page, 7-31, at the top, in the
- 5 middle of that first paragraph, it states, quote, "The
- 6 actual release pattern is to be established by the
- 7 Director of the Idaho Fish and Game Department; however,
- 8 since an additional 102,300 acre-feet of space in Lucky
- 9 Peak is used for stream maintenance flows along with the
- 10 Idaho Department of Fish and Game space, the release
- 11 from the Fish and Game space could vary from a minimum
- of about 70 cfs to larger releases, " end quote.
- Can you tell me, Mr. Gregg, how the Bureau of
- 14 Reclamation and the Corps of Engineers provide for
- 15 communications with the Director of the Idaho Fish and
- 16 Game Department on these actual release patterns
- 17 described in this Manual?
- 18 A. Well, I can't, on this paragraph, because this
- 19 was written prior to my becoming Project Superintendent.
- 20 Q. Right. And after you became Project
- 21 Superintendent, you have been involved in that process;
- 22 correct?
- 23 A. Correct. And that's --
- Q. That is what I am asking about.
- 25 A. -- after the 102,300 were added. As I

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- 1 testified earlier, we consult with Idaho Fish and Game
- 2 in the fall, prior to making the releases.
- 3 O. Idaho Fish and Game -- the Director of Idaho
- 4 Fish and Game Department is?
- 5 A. Not the Director. One of his representatives.
- 6 Q. One of his representatives. Who makes the
- 7 final decision with regard to how much water is released
- 8 from the streamflow maintenance account?
- 9 A. Reclamation does.
- 10 Q. In your experience in the last twenty years,
- 11 have you or has Reclamation, the Bureau of Reclamation,
- 12 made a decision contrary to what the Department of Fish
- and Game has suggested or requested?
- 14 A. There have been some drought years where Idaho
- 15 Fish and Game biologists would have liked the higher
- 16 flows, and then we have declined to release those flows
- 17 because we just felt it would jeopardize the flows down
- 18 the road.
- 19 We didn't have enough carry-over storage to
- 20 maintain the higher flows. And after a lot of
- 21 discussion, we have come to an agreement on that.
- 22 Q. Have there ever been instances where irrigation
- 23 water has been used to supplement the quantity of
- 24 minimum streamflow water that has been available for
- 25 release?

- 1 A. Yes. 1992.
- Q. Were you involved in that?
- 3 A. Yes, I was.
- 4 Q. Can you tell me how?
- 5 A. It was 1992. We had had several drought years
- 6 back to back, very low carry-over. That was a fairly
- 7 extreme year, as far as drought.
- 8 As we progressed through the irrigation season,
- 9 it had become apparent that we would not be able to even
- 10 maintain the 80 cfs the following winter, which would
- 11 have had pretty severe impacts on the fisheries and the
- 12 water quality.
- So the Boise Board of Control lent 10,000
- 14 acre-feet to the streamflow maintenance. We used it to
- 15 maintain 80 or above, and then we repaid it in
- 16 subsequent years.
- 17 (Whereupon, Ms. Lorna Jorgensen exited the
- 18 deposition conference room.)
- 19 BY MR. CAMPBELL:
- 20 O. That was water that had been stored under the
- 21 irrigation storage base in the Boise Project Board of
- 22 Control?
- 23 A. Yes.
- 24 Q. The next paragraph on page 7-31 talks about
- 25 Anderson Ranch. And it says, quote, "At Anderson Ranch, Deposition of Jerrold D. Gregg, Volumes I and II

- 1 the Bureau of Reclamation has a verbal agreement with
- 2 the Idaho Fish and Game Department to maintain minimum
- 3 releases from Anderson Ranch Dam of 300 cfs during the
- 4 non-irrigation season and 600 cfs during the irrigation
- 5 season, period. Did I read that correctly?
- 6 A. Yes.
- 7 O. In terms of that sentence, can you describe for
- 8 me what this verbal agreement is between the Bureau of
- 9 Reclamation and the Idaho Fish and Game Department?
- 10 A. This was before my time, so I have no direct
- 11 knowledge. My presumption is that -- and I'm not aware
- 12 of any written --
- Q. But I am asking you for your own personal
- 14 experience with --
- 15 A. I have none on this.
- 16 O. Excuse me?
- 17 A. I do not have any knowledge of a verbal
- 18 agreement.
- 19 Q. So the reference here on page 7-31 is talking
- about a verbal agreement which you have no knowledge
- 21 about?
- 22 A. My knowledge is -- of course, I testified
- 23 earlier on the 1981 Memo. We have operated according to
- 24 that Memo. That's been the instructions to my office.
- Q. So to the extent that the 1981 Memo conflicts
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- 1 with this language on page 7-31, the 1981 Memo takes
- 2 precedence or it controls; is that correct?
- 3 A. I would say the 1981 Memo is more precise.
- 4 This is written in general terms.
- 5 Q. Well, okay. Let me ask the question again. My
- 6 question was: Does the 1981 Memo supersede or take
- 7 precedence over the language that we have been talking
- 8 about on page 7-31 concerning this verbal agreement?
- 9 A. I would say, yes.
- 10 O. Mr. Gregg, I would like you to turn to page
- 11 7-33. If you would, take the time to read the language
- on 7-33, particularly focusing on the last portion, the
- 13 last eight lines of that paragraph. Read the whole
- 14 thing, but I am going to ask you about the last eight
- 15 lines. Have you done that, sir?
- 16 A. Yes, I have.
- 17 Q. Concerning the last eight lines, starting with
- 18 the word "During" -- do you see where I am referring?
- 19 A. Yes.
- 20 Q. In terms of that portion of page 7-33, can you
- 21 tell me whether or not the provisions of the last eight
- 22 lines of that page have ever been implemented during
- 23 your twenty years in Idaho with the Bureau of
- 24 Reclamation?
- 25 A. I need to refer to Paragraph 7-11.
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- 1 MR. CAMPBELL: Sure. Go ahead.
- 2 MR. GEHLERT: Scott, after he is done with
- 3 that, if you could, clarify which provisions of those
- 4 eight lines you are --
- 5 MR. CAMPBELL: Sure. That is fine. I will
- 6 just read through them individually.
- 7 THE WITNESS: I have read the article.
- 8 BY MR. CAMPBELL:
- 9 Q. So my question is: In your experience in the
- 10 last twenty years in Idaho with the Bureau, have the
- 11 procedures in the last eight lines that deal with,
- 12 quote, "...any deviations from the minimum flow
- 13 requirements because of drought conditions and municipal
- 14 water supply shortages..." and those provisions that
- describe, quote -- it says, actually, "...shortages will
- 16 be coordinated by the Bureau of Reclamation with the
- 17 Idaho Department of Water Resources, Idaho Department of
- 18 Fish and Game, Corps of Engineers, and other affected
- 19 parties."
- That is what I am talking about. Have those
- 21 provisions ever been used, as far as your experience is
- 22 concerned, in the last twenty years?
- 23 A. My presumption is we are talking about a
- 24 drought contingency plan, perhaps, and drought
- 25 conditions. We are speaking -- when the flows would be

- 1 below 150 cfs -- and at the time the Manual was written,
- 2 that was the desired flow -- then there would be
- 3 special -- describe some coordination requirements.
- 4 Without going back and looking at all of the
- 5 records, I know, in 1992, we were in that situation and
- 6 we did coordinate with the watermaster, the Corps of
- 7 Engineers and, I believe, others.
- 8 Q. Were there any documents that reflected those
- 9 coordinations?
- 10 A. I would have to look in my office files. I'm
- 11 not aware of any.
- 12 Q. There may be documents that relate to that
- 13 coordination? Is that a fair statement?
- 14 A. There may be. I know there were several
- 15 meetings.
- 16 MR. CAMPBELL: We would request copies of any
- 17 documentation that reflects that set of meetings.
- 18 MR. GEHLERT: And we will respond.
- MR. CAMPBELL: Thank you.
- 20 Q. Mr. Gregg, in terms of this same language, can
- 21 you describe to me how the minimum flow requirements
- 22 would be affected by drought conditions and municipal
- 23 water supply shortages?
- 24 A. I am not sure what the context of that sentence
- 25 means.

- 1 Q. So in terms of municipal water supply
- 2 shortages, do you have any understanding of what that
- 3 refers to?
- 4 A. No, I do not.
- 5 Q. And in terms of the phrase at the end of the
- 6 paragraph that says, quote, "and other affected
- 7 parties, "end quote, what is your understanding of that
- 8 phrase?
- 9 A. It could be, certainly, the cities, the
- 10 counties, flood -- it wouldn't be the flood control
- 11 districts. It certainly would be the cities, the
- 12 counties, and the Lower Boise.
- Q. What about the irrigation entities?
- 14 A. I'm not sure how they would be affected by
- 15 reducing the in-stream-flow releases. If they were
- 16 somehow affected, I guess there is a slight possibility.
- 17 I don't understand how.
- 18 O. I am just asking. And then turning to the next
- 19 page, it has no number at the bottom. It is
- 20 handwritten. Is that page part of the official 1985
- 21 Water Control Manual?
- 22 A. No.
- Q. Mr. Gregg, I am sure you will be happy to know
- 24 I think I am finished with the 1985 Water Control
- 25 Manual. I know I am happy to say that. Excuse my

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- 1 reach.
- 2 A. Sure.
- Q. Mr. Gregg, do you intend to give any testimony
- 4 as an expert witness if this matter goes to trial?
- 5 MR. GEHLERT: Do you want to talk for a second?
- 6 THE WITNESS: Yes.
- 7 (Recess.)
- 8 BY MR. CAMPBELL:
- 9 Q. Are you ready to go back on?
- 10 A. Yes.
- 11 Q. Can you answer the question, please?
- 12 A. I have not been asked by my attorney; but if I
- am, I would be available to testify.
- Q. As an expert?
- 15 A. I would defer to my attorney as to which
- 16 category I would be testifying to.
- 17 Q. So at this point in time, you do not know if
- 18 you are going to be testifying as a non-expert or as an
- 19 expert; is that correct?
- 20 A. That's correct.
- Q. Well, if you are identified as a witness, if we
- 22 proceed to trial, we will have to take your deposition
- 23 again, just to let you know that. Do you understand?
- 24 A. Yes.
- Q. Good. Mr. Gregg, I would like to hand you what Deposition of Jerrold D. Gregg, Volumes I and II

- 1 has been marked as Deposition Exhibit No. 18. After you
- 2 have had a chance to look at that document -- if you
- 3 want to, you can read the whole thing, if you feel that
- 4 is necessary. After you are sufficiently familiar with
- 5 it to tell me if you can identify it, then please
- 6 respond.
- 7 A. Do you want me to read the whole document or
- 8 just identify what the document is?
- 9 Q. If you feel you have to read the whole document
- 10 to identify whether or not you have seen it before, then
- 11 go ahead and do so. I will be asking you if you have
- 12 ever seen the document before, so that will be the
- 13 question.
- Why don't we go ahead and go off the record
- 15 until you have finished?
- 16 A. Okay.
- 17 (Recess.)
- 18 BY MR. CAMPBELL:
- 19 O. Have you reviewed the document?
- 20 A. Yes.
- 21 O. Exhibit No. 18?
- 22 A. Yes, I have.
- 23 Q. Thank you. Can you identify the document?
- A. I believe, from the heading, that it's a memo,
- 25 a memorandum, from the Boise Field Solicitor to the Deposition of Jerrold D. Gregg, Volumes I and II

- 1 Regional Planning Officer.
- Q. Have you ever seen the document before?
- 3 A. I may have, a long time ago. I don't remember
- 4 it.
- Q. Okay.
- 6 A. I may have.
- 7 Q. Can you tell me, Mr. Gregg, what the procedure
- 8 for the Bureau of Reclamation is that would generate a
- 9 document like this from the Field Solicitor?
- 10 A. My presumption --
- 11 Q. In terms of the Bureau and what the Bureau does
- 12 to generate some kind of response as is reflected on
- 13 Exhibit No. 18 -- I am talking about currently. I am
- 14 not talking about back in 1976. I am talking about
- 15 currently.
- 16 Do you have a procedure? Does the Bureau have
- 17 a procedure which would generate some kind of response
- 18 letter or memo like Exhibit No. 18?
- 19 A. There is a procedure for corresponding -- or
- 20 writing official correspondence to the Field Solicitor
- 21 in the Region.
- 22 Q. And what is that procedure?
- 23 A. It's, generally, as in this memo, a -- well,
- 24 today, my understanding -- and we would need the Field
- 25 Solicitor to answer that correctly. If Reclamation has Deposition of Jerrold D. Gregg, Volumes I and II

- 1 a certain question, they would write a formal memo to
- 2 the Field Solicitor's Office.
- 3 Q. That is the procedure today?
- 4 A. Yes.
- 5 Q. And who has authority to make those official,
- 6 written requests or memos to the Field Solicitor's
- 7 Office, in terms of the Bureau of Reclamation?
- 8 A. Currently, for official requests to the Field
- 9 Solicitor's Office, they have to be okayed --
- 10 policy-wise, they have to be okayed by the Regional
- 11 Director.
- 12 Q. Currently?
- 13 A. Currently.
- 14 Q. Has that been the case during your entire
- twenty years with the Bureau in Idaho?
- 16 A. About eight, nine years ago the policy was
- 17 updated. I'm not sure -- the policy was unclear prior
- 18 to that. I'm not sure what it was exactly.
- 19 Q. Are there any documents which reflect the
- 20 official procedure of the Bureau of Reclamation in
- 21 requesting written responses from the Field Solicitor?
- 22 A. In the mid '90s, there was a policy signed by
- 23 the Regional Director. I'm not sure if that's still
- 24 available. There was a policy memo by the Regional
- 25 Director.

- 1 MR. CAMPBELL: We would like to obtain a copy
- of that. I assume your response is the same? You will
- 3 look into it and see if we can get a copy?
- 4 MR. GEHLERT: Yes.
- 5 BY MR. CAMPBELL:
- 6 Q. All right. Mr. Gregg, have you ever requested
- 7 a written response from the Field Solicitor's Office
- 8 dealing with an issue that you had to handle for the
- 9 Bureau of Reclamation?
- 10 A. Yes, I have.
- 11 Q. Has it just been once, or has it been more than
- 12 once?
- 13 A. I think I'm not quite sure of the context of
- 14 your question. The Solicitor's Office are our
- 15 attorneys. We sometimes, on issues, have daily
- 16 conversations with them.
- 17 Q. I appreciate that. I am talking about formal,
- 18 written requests for responses of the nature of Exhibit
- 19 18.
- 20 A. During my tenure, there has been several
- 21 instances; and they have been policy. Like I said, it
- 22 was put out in, I believe, the mid '90s. I may have the
- 23 date wrong. It's for my office to go to the Regional
- 24 Office, and then they make the request of the
- 25 Solicitor's Office; and that has been followed.

- 1 Q. And after that process is utilized by the
- 2 Bureau of Reclamation, does the request typically
- 3 generate a response from the Field Solicitor's Office?
- 4 A. I can't say that it does all the time. I can't
- 5 say that every time it generates a written response.
- 6 Q. Would you say, typically, they respond in some
- 7 fashion, either in writing or orally?
- 8 A. Yes.
- 9 Q. And in your experience, in the last twenty
- 10 years in Idaho for the Bureau of Reclamation, have you
- or the Regional Office, as a result of your request,
- 12 received written responses from the Field Solicitor's
- 13 Office of the nature or similar to Exhibit 18?
- 14 A. I'm not sure I have ever generated one in this
- 15 vein. Most of mine, I believe, have been over land
- issues or contract interpretation on the Payette, if I
- 17 remember right.
- 18 Q. Well, I am not talking about the subject matter
- 19 of Exhibit 18.
- 20 A. Right.
- Q. I am talking about the process.
- 22 A. Okay.
- 23 Q. And my question is: Have you ever gotten a
- 24 written response from the Field Solicitor's Office in
- response to a request that you generated through the

- 1 Regional Office to the Field Solicitor?
- 2 A. There may have been one or two quite sometime
- 3 ago.
- 4 Q. And what significance, in your mind, do those
- 5 written responses have? I will give you --
- 6 A. From a layman's standpoint -- and I'm not an
- 7 attorney -- we were asking for, essentially, advice,
- 8 sometimes legal, sometimes research.
- 9 0. Okay.
- 10 A. Sometimes specialty advice.
- 11 Q. All right. Let me ask this question: Have
- 12 you, in your twenty years with the Bureau of Reclamation
- in Idaho, ever sought a written response or a request to
- 14 the Field Solicitor's office on an issue of day-to-day,
- 15 typical, operational issues?
- 16 A. Could you repeat that again, please?
- 17 Q. Sure. What I am asking -- I will ask it a
- 18 different way. During your twenty years with the Bureau
- in Idaho, have you ever asked for an opinion or a
- 20 request from the Field Solicitor on day-to-day issues
- 21 that are not significant?
- 22 A. Are you asking about a formal opinion?
- 23 Q. Yes.
- A. Not usually on day-to-day issues.
- Q. What type of issues have you requested formal Deposition of Jerrold D. Gregg, Volumes I and II

- 1 opinions on?
- 2 A. If I remember right, a couple of them were land
- 3 issues. One was a contract interpretation.
- 4 Q. And what did you consider to be the
- 5 significance of their responses?
- 6 MR. GEHLERT: Before you answer, Jerry, we have
- 7 addressed the effect of this memo in our brief. It's a
- 8 matter of law. I will let Jerry testify as to his
- 9 understanding. I just want to make it clear that it's a
- 10 legal issue, and it will be addressed accordingly.
- 11 MR. CAMPBELL: I am not asking about Exhibit
- 12 No. 18. I am asking about his requests to the Field
- 13 Solicitor's Office.
- MR. GEHLERT: I understand that, Scott. I am
- 15 just saying that as a general -- the effect of a memo
- 16 from the Field Solicitor has been addressed.
- 17 MR. CAMPBELL: I understand. I understand. I
- 18 am just asking his view, what he considers to be the
- 19 impact or the effect or the relevance.
- Q. Why is it important? Is it important to you to
- 21 get an answer? And if you do, if it is in writing from
- 22 the Field Solicitor's office, you know, do you just
- 23 throw it away? I mean, what do you do with it?
- A. Well, as I said, it may be legal advice. It
- 25 may be a contract interpretation. It may be some type Deposition of Jerrold D. Gregg, Volumes I and II

- 1 of research.
- Q. Let's run through those three. How about legal
- 3 advice? Is that important to you?
- 4 A. Yes, it's important.
- 5 Q. And how about contract interpretation? Is that
- 6 important to you?
- 7 A. Yes, it's important.
- 8 Q. And the other item was operational -- or
- 9 research?
- 10 A. Research.
- 11 Q. Would their response be important to you?
- 12 A. Yes.
- 13 Q. So are there any other categories that you
- 14 would include, as far as categories of responses from
- the Field Solicitor's Office -- in writing?
- 16 A. There's a -- the Solicitor's Office is required
- 17 to sign off or do legal review on a lot of the legal
- instruments such as repayment contracts, easements, et
- 19 cetera -- land exchanges. So they do the legal review,
- and then actually sign off on those documents.
- 21 Q. Is that legal review important to you with your
- 22 duties with the Bureau?
- 23 A. Yes.
- Q. Why is it important?
- 25 A. Well, they are our attorneys.

- 1 Q. Does the Bureau of Reclamation consult with any
- 2 other attorneys besides the Field Solicitor's office?
- A. Depending on the situation, the Department of
- 4 Justice, the U.S. Attorney's Office.
- 5 Q. And can you tell me what the discrepancy
- 6 between the Field -- excuse me. Strike that.
- 7 Can you tell me the circumstances where you
- 8 would direct your attention, as far as inquiries, to the
- 9 Field Solicitor's office, as opposed to the U.S.
- 10 Attorney's Office or the Department of Justice? Is
- 11 there a break-down? Is there a categorization? I mean,
- 12 how does that work?
- 13 A. From a layman -- and I don't want to speak --
- 14 Q. I am just asking for your understanding, Mr.
- 15 Gregg.
- 16 A. Litigation for the U.S. Government is handled
- 17 by the Department of Justice.
- 18 O. And what about the U.S. Attorney's Office?
- 19 A. Again, they may assist us in some legal issues.
- 20 We have, on some complicated water right acquisitions
- 21 for flow augmentation, consulted with the Department of
- 22 Justice before the documents were finalized.
- 23 Q. And what about the Field Solicitor's Office, in
- 24 terms of -- do they handle the litigation, too? Why
- would you go to -- why wouldn't you go to the Field

- 1 Solicitor's Office if you have a litigation matter?
- 2 A. They are responsible for the Department of
- 3 Interior, providing the legal briefs, background
- 4 information, advising the client, which is Reclamation.
- 5 Q. But is it fair to say that the Field
- 6 Solicitor's Office does not represent the Bureau of
- 7 Reclamation in litigation matters? Is that correct?
- 8 A. It is actually -- as far as the courtroom
- 9 proceedings, that is correct, in my understanding.
- 10 MR. CAMPBELL: That is all I am asking for.
- Is it time we quit.
- MR. GEHLERT: If it's a good time for you.
- MR. CAMPBELL: I would like to get one more
- 14 document and just have you identify it.
- MR. GEHLERT: That would be fine.
- 16 BY MR. CAMPBELL:
- 17 Q. Mr. Gregg, if you would, look at Exhibit No.
- 18 19. Tell me if you can identify the document.
- 19 A. Yes.
- 20 O. What is the document?
- 21 A. It's a letter from Scott Campbell, representing
- 22 the Pioneer and Settlers Districts, requesting
- 23 additional Lucky Peak storage water, if any become
- 24 available, during the Lucky Peak contract renewal
- 25 process.

- 1 Q. And do you recall if you responded to that
- 2 correspondence?
- 3 A. I'm not sure if we did, in writing. I believe,
- 4 during the process, we were advised that you could renew
- 5 for your contract amount but not for additional water.
- 6 Additional water would be a new application and outside
- 7 of that process.
- 8 Q. Would you be able to check your files to see if
- 9 you have a written response to Exhibit No. 19?
- 10 A. Yes.
- 11 MR. CAMPBELL: If you do have anything that
- 12 responds to that in writing, I would like a copy of
- 13 it.
- MR. GEHLERT: Understood.
- MR. CAMPBELL: Thank you. Let's go off the
- 16 record. Before we do, we discussed previously the need
- 17 to continue this deposition after documents which we
- 18 have requested are made available to us, if they exist,
- 19 and if the United States makes them available to us; but
- 20 that will be part of a discussion after the summary
- 21 judgment briefing is completed.
- MR. GEHLERT: Yes.
- 23 (The deposition, Volume II, stood in recess at
- 24 3:23 p.m.)
- 25 (Signature requested.)

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