

NM CAP Entity

Introduction of Board members and structure of CAP Entity Board

Talking points on Design Criteria and Project Planning

Project Design and potential impact on Gila River??

Current components and schedule for amended Proposed Action and NEPA process

Address the information that people have been receiving on Dam, Diversion, Free Flowing Gila, Existing Diversions.

Discussions on potential diversion structures, historical issues with placement of push up dams, inefficiencies of existing irrigation systems.

- Utilization of Public Comment on Design Criteria
- Meeting with landowners with and without impact (Nature Conservancy, U-Bar Ranch)
- Information from Irrigation Associations regarding existing infrastructure and inefficiencies

Project Design and Cost

Adjustment to the Project Design to meet cost prohibitive project components

- Incorporation of adjudicated water (Specify Gila Basin Irrigators) into project analysis to gain maximum effectiveness from money and maximize efficiencies.
- Yield analysis and CUFA constraints (Yield Workshop)
- Project benefit analysis from NMSU

NM Unit Fund, Lower Colorado River Basin Development fund, and funding of water utilization alternative projects

- Amendment to JPA and Bill Evans Diversion FMI
- Attempt to retain as much of the NM Unit as possible to fund infrastructure and conservation projects
- Support from the NM CAP entity board for other projects
- Other funding for projects and the NM Unit fund

Example:

Silver City metering project (Conservation project that was funded by bonding against calculated savings)

Grant county regional water project

Virden irrigators and NRCS

Comment on New Mexico and keeping water resources