

1998 Current Fiscal Year Report: Western Water Policy Review Commission

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1. Department or Agency

Department of the Interior

2. Fiscal Year

1998

3. Committee or Subcommittee

Western Water Policy Review
Commission

3b. GSA Committee No.

2097

4. Is this New Fiscal Year?

No

5. Current Charter

12/17/1997

6. Expected Renewal Date

7. Expected Term Date

09/30/1998

8a. Was Terminated During Fiscal Year?

Yes

8b. Specific Termination Authority

P.L. 102-575

8c. Actual Term Date

09/30/1998

9. Agency

Recommendation for Next Fiscal Year

Terminate

10a. Legislation Req to Terminate?

No

10b.

Legislation Pending?

11. Establishment Authority Statutory (Congress Created)

12. Specific Establishment Authority

P.L. 102-575

13. Effective Date

10/30/1992

14. Committee Type

Ad hoc

14c. Presidential?

No

15. Description of Committee National Policy Issue Advisory Board

16a. Total Number of Reports 1

16b. Report Date

06/01/1998

Report Title

Water in the West: Challenge for the
Next Century

Number of Committee Reports Listed: 1

17a.

Open

1 17b. Closed0 17c. Partially Closed0 Other Activities0 17d. Total 1

Meetings and Dates

Purpose

Start

End

Number of Committee Meetings Listed: 1

	Current FY	Next FY
18a(1). Personnel Pmts to Non-Federal Members	\$0.00	\$0.00
18a(2). Personnel Pmts to Federal Members	\$0.00	\$0.00
18a(3). Personnel Pmts to Federal Staff	\$150,363.00	\$0.00
18a(4). Personnel Pmts to Non-Member Consultants	\$131,763.00	\$0.00
18b(1). Travel and Per Diem to Non-Federal Members	\$11,944.00	\$0.00
18b(2). Travel and Per Diem to Federal Members	\$1,445.00	\$0.00
18b(3). Travel and Per Diem to Federal Staff	\$1,762.00	\$0.00
18b(4). Travel and Per Diem to Non-member Consultants	\$3,742.00	\$0.00
18c. Other(rents,user charges, graphics, printing, mail, etc.)	\$172,357.00	\$0.00
18d. Total	\$473,376.00	\$0.00
19. Federal Staff Support Years (FTE)	1.25	0.00

20a. How does the Committee accomplish its purpose?

This Committee has had a very specific mission: To provide a report to the Congress and President recommending Federal water policy for the next 30 years by October 2, 1997. The deadline was met when the Commission agreed on a draft final report in September, 1997, and issued the report for a 60 day public comment period. On February 19, 1998, the Commission met and approved the report as modified following consideration of public comments.

20b. How does the Committee balance its membership?

There are currently nine Presidentially appointed members and twelve ex-officio members of Congress. The appointees include the Secretary of the Army and the Secretary of the Interior, and a philosophically and ethnically diverse group of academicians, lawyers, a rancher, and a high ranking Government executive. The Members of Congress are the Chairs and Ranking Minority members of water resource management and appropriations Senate and House committees.

20c. How frequent and relevant are the Committee Meetings?

The Commission held its final meeting February 19, 1998, its only meeting in Fiscal Year 1998.

20d. Why can't the advice or information this committee provides be obtained elsewhere?

This Commission was established by Congress to provide a broad spectrum, deliberate, and intensive expert review of water policy views from all sectors of the western states' economy and public interests, and to recommend innovative strategies for the future. The mission has been completed and the Commission will be terminated September 30, 1998.

20e. Why is it necessary to close and/or partially closed committee meetings?

N/A

21. Remarks

Commission published its final report in June, 1998. Copies are being distributed in September, 1998, and report is available on website: www.den.doi.gov/wwprac.

Designated Federal Officer

David Cottingham DFO

Committee Members	Start	End	Occupation	Member Designation
Akaka, Daniel	02/16/1997	09/30/1998	United States Senate, Subcommittee on Water and Power	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
Beneke, Patricia	11/22/1996	09/30/1998	Assistant Secretary of the Interior-Water and Science (Representing the Secretary of the Interior Bruce Babbitt.)	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
Bradley, Bill	02/16/1996	11/22/1996	United States Senate	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
Bumpers, Dale	02/16/1997	09/30/1998	United States Senate, Committee on Appropriations	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
Byrd, Robert	02/16/1996	09/30/1998	United States Senate, Committee on Appropriations	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
Chai, Huali	02/16/1996	09/30/1998	Attorney	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
Craig, Larry	02/16/1996	11/22/1996	United States House of Representatives, Energy and Natural Resources Committee	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
Davidson, John	02/16/1996	09/30/1998	Law Professor	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
Echohawk, John	02/16/1996	09/30/1998	Native American Rights Fund	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member

Fort, Denise	02/16/1996	09/30/1998	Law Professor -- University of New Mexico	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
Kyl, Jon	02/17/1997	09/30/1998	United States Senate, Subcommittee on Water and Power	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
Livingston, Bob	02/16/1996	09/30/1998	US House of Representatives, Committee on Appropriations	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
Miller, George	02/16/1996	09/30/1998	US House of Representatives, Committee on Resources	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
Murkowski, Frank	02/16/1996	09/30/1998	US Senate, Comm on Energy and Nat. Resources	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
Neuman, Janet	02/16/1996	09/30/1998	Law Professor	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
O'Toole, Patrick	02/16/1996	09/30/1998	Rancher	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
Oberstar, James	02/16/1996	09/30/1998	US House of Rep, Subcomm. On Transp. And Infrastructure	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
Obey, David	02/16/1996	09/30/1998	US House of Representatives, Committee on Appropriations	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
Robertson, Jack	02/16/1996	09/30/1998	Ass't CEO Bonneville Power Administration	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
Salazar, Kenneth	02/16/1996	07/23/1997	Attorney	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member

Sax, Joseph	02/16/1996	09/12/1996	Counsel to the Secretary of Interior (Represented the Secretary of the Interior	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
Shuster, Bud	02/16/1996	09/30/1998	US House of Representatives, SubComm. On Transp & Inf.	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
Stevens, Ted	02/17/1997	09/30/1998	United States Senate, Committee on Appropriations	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
Young, Don	02/16/1996	09/30/1998	US House of Representatives Committee on Resources	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
Zirschky, John	02/16/1996	09/30/1998	Acting Assistant Secretary for Civil Works, Department of the Army (Representing the Secretary of the Army)	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member

Number of Committee Members Listed: 25

Narrative Description

What are the most significant program outcomes associated with this committee?

Checked if
Applies

Improvements to health or safety	<input type="checkbox"/>
Trust in government	<input type="checkbox"/>
Major policy changes	<input type="checkbox"/>
Advance in scientific research	<input type="checkbox"/>
Effective grant making	<input type="checkbox"/>
Improved service delivery	<input type="checkbox"/>
Increased customer satisfaction	<input type="checkbox"/>
Implementation of laws or regulatory requirements	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other	<input type="checkbox"/>

Outcome Comments

What are the cost savings associated with this committee?

Checked if Applies

None	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Unable to Determine	<input type="checkbox"/>
Under \$100,000	<input type="checkbox"/>
\$100,000 - \$500,000	<input type="checkbox"/>
\$500,001 - \$1,000,000	<input type="checkbox"/>
\$1,000,001 - \$5,000,000	<input type="checkbox"/>
\$5,000,001 - \$10,000,000	<input type="checkbox"/>
Over \$10,000,000	<input type="checkbox"/>
Cost Savings Other	<input type="checkbox"/>

Cost Savings Comments

What is the approximate Number of recommendations produced by this committee for the life of the committee?

0

Number of Recommendations Comments

What is the approximate Percentage of these recommendations that have been or will be Fully implemented by the agency?

%

% of Recommendations Fully Implemented Comments

What is the approximate Percentage of these recommendations that have been or will be Partially implemented by the agency?

%

% of Recommendations Partially Implemented Comments

Does the agency provide the committee with feedback regarding actions taken to implement recommendations or advice offered?

Yes ☐ No ☐ Not Applicable ☒

Agency Feedback Comments

What other actions has the agency taken as a result of the committee's advice or recommendation?

Checked if Applies

Reorganized Priorities	<input type="checkbox"/>
Reallocated resources	<input type="checkbox"/>
Issued new regulation	<input type="checkbox"/>
Proposed legislation	<input type="checkbox"/>
Approved grants or other payments	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other	<input type="checkbox"/>

Action Comments

Is the Committee engaged in the review of applications for grants?

No

Grant Review Comments

How is access provided to the information for the Committee's documentation?

Checked if Applies

Contact DFO	<input type="checkbox"/>
Online Agency Web Site	<input type="checkbox"/>
Online Committee Web Site	<input type="checkbox"/>
Online GSA FACA Web Site	<input type="checkbox"/>
Publications	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other	<input type="checkbox"/>

Access Comments

