

From: [Perry, Laureen](#)
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Subject: Re: Sites reservoir comments
Date: Thursday, March 09, 2017 3:17:00 PM

Yes, eligible as a contributing property to the CVP. I'm still checking on some of the reports for you. There in draft and under review, but can provide info on what's around the reservoir.
Laurie

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On Wed, Mar 8, 2017 at 10:28 AM, Janis Offermann <janis@horizonh2o.com> wrote:

OK would it be accurate to say that the Bureau considers it eligible?

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From: Laureen Perry [mailto:lperry@usbr.gov]
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Janis,

CVP is not listed. There are some issues with that document but can be used for a general CVP context. The periods of significance are too limited. We consider more recently constructed facilities as contributing too. Like Sisk Dam and the SAN Luis Canal.

Laurie

Sent from my iPhone

On Mar 8, 2017, at 8:41 AM, Janis Offermann <janis@horizonh2o.com> wrote:

Hi, Laurie

I found a draft NR nomination form for CVP by Bailey (2007) on line. Was it ever listed? It doesn't show up on the NR website. Also, while the nomination form briefly describes all of the facilities of the CVP, there is not a listing of contributing elements for eligibility. Do you have a more complete/recent NR form, or list of contributing elements?

Thanks

janis

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Hi Janis,

Surveys have been fairly recently done around San Luis Reservoir, so I'm looking for a copy of a report(s) we can provide for you. Also, Sisk Dam was supposed to be recorded and evaluated but I'm not sure that has happened yet. Reclamation considers it to be eligible as contributing to the CVP (and the State Water Project?). I'll look around for that info. Also, we have had burials recovered in that area from years ago. I'll have to check the general locations of those, I think that was below the dam.

Regarding the assessment of the effects of reservoir fluctuations on cultural resources, National Park Service did some studies on the types of effects from reservoir and resultant site conditions. I would like to see a discussion regarding the types of impacts of inundation on cultural resources to present an expected current condition for the Affected Environment. The Low Point surveys may address this a bit. We used this approach in the Klamath Dams Removal Study EIS, so perhaps I can get that to you.

It will take me a bit of time to round up this info. Do you have a Sharepoint site or similar that I could post documents to, since our email won't send large files?

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On Mon, Mar 6, 2017 at 11:29 AM, Janis Offermann <janis@horizonh2o.com> wrote:

Hi, Laurie

Thank you for the comprehensive review of the cultural resources chapter for Sites Reservoir. I am always happy to have someone give a fresh, critical review to such documents, and especially this one since this is the third revision in 10 years.

I have a question, though, about your Comment 39: There have been multiple studies on the effects of reservoir operations on cultural resources. In addition, there have been studies, including some ongoing for Safety of Dams, specifically at San Luis Reservoir regarding cultural resources since its construction.

The statement in the text says:

A complete assessment of the effects of reservoir fluctuations on cultural resources has never been conducted because the facility was constructed prior to development of the implementing regulations for Section 106 of the NHPA, and Reclamation is not required to conduct such an assessment pursuant to the existing reservoir operations standards.

This is essentially a direct quote from your predecessor from 7 years ago. Have such studies been done since that time, and if so, can I please get a copy? I know that some surveys have been done over the years, but I am not aware of anything that is comprehensive for the drawdown or inundation area at San Luis.

Thanks very much

janis

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