



## **Department of the Interior Central Utah Project Completion Act Implementation of the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law Initial Spend Plan**

President Biden signed the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law on November 15, 2021, making this once-in-a-generation investment in the Nation's infrastructure and economic competitiveness a reality. This landmark investment will rebuild America's critical infrastructure, tackle the climate crisis, advance environmental justice, and drive the creation of good-paying union jobs. By addressing long overdue improvements and strengthening our resilience to the changing climate, this investment in our communities across the country will grow the economy sustainably and equitably so everyone gets ahead for decades to come.

The Department of the Interior will receive \$30.6 billion over five years in direct funding through the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law. Interior will stand up new programs and expand existing work to deliver results by boosting local economies, building resilience to the devastating effects of drought and wildfires, putting Americans to work to reclaim abandoned coal mine sites and plug orphaned oil and gas wells, restoring important ecosystems and watersheds, strengthening tribal water infrastructure and climate resilience, and identify domestic supplies of mineral resources needed to advance new technologies. The Department will execute these investments adhering to the Administration's implementation priorities to:

- invest public dollars efficiently, working to avoid waste, and focus on measurable outcomes for the American people;
- increase the competitiveness of the United States economy, including through implementing the Act's Made-in-America requirements and bolstering United States manufacturing and supply chains;
- improve job opportunities for millions of Americans by focusing on high labor standards for these jobs, including prevailing wages and the free and fair chance to join a union;
- invest public dollars equitably, including through the Justice40 Initiative, which is a Government-wide effort toward a goal that 40 percent of the overall benefits from Federal investments in climate and clean energy flow to disadvantaged communities;
- build infrastructure that is resilient and that helps combat the crisis of climate change; and
- effectively coordinate with State, local, Tribal, and territorial governments in implementing these critical investments.



## **Central Utah Project Completion Act Funding Summary**

The Bipartisan Infrastructure Law provides a total of \$50 million to the Central Utah Project Completion Act for the programs and activities shown in the table below. Funding is provided as emergency appropriations and is available for obligation until expended.

### **Central Utah Project Completion Act – Bipartisan Infrastructure Law – Initial Obligation Plan**

| <i>(\$ in 000s)</i>                            |   | <b>FY 2022</b> | <b>FY 2023</b> | <b>FY 2024</b> | <b>FY 2025</b> | <b>FY 2026</b> | <b>Total</b>  |
|--|---|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|---------------|
| <b>Central Utah Project Completion Account</b> |   |                |                |                |                |                |               |
| Diamond Fork System                            | Valve Construction - Sixth Water Flow Control | 1,500          |                |                |                |                | 1,500         |
| Utah Lake System                               | Pipeline Construction - South Fields Reach 2  | 18,000         |                |                |                |                | 18,000        |
| Utah Lake System                               | Pipeline Construction - Salem Reach 1         | 10,000         | 10,200         |                |                |                | 20,200        |
| CUPCA Office                                   | 314(c) Fish and Wildlife Program              | 150            | 150            |                |                |                | 300           |
|  |   |                |                |                |                |                |               |
| Completion Account, Total                      |   | 29,650         | 10,350         | 0              | 0              | 0              | 40,000        |
|  |   |                |                |                |                |                |               |
| <b>Mitigation and Conservation Account</b>     |   |                |                |                |                |                |               |
| Provo River Delta Restoration                  | Delta Gateway Park                            | 100            | 1,300          | 1,300          |                |                | 2,700         |
| Provo River Delta Restoration                  | Provo Lakeview Parkway & Trail                | 2,500          | 500            |                |                |                | 3,000         |
| Provo River Delta Restoration                  | Provo River Delta, River, Recreation          | 2,000          | 2,300          |                |                |                | 4,300         |
|  |   |                |                |                |                |                |               |
| Mitigation Account, Total                      |   | 4,600          | 4,100          | 1,300          | 0              | 0              | 10,000        |
|  |   |                |                |                |                |                |               |
| <b>CUPCA, Total</b>                            |   | <b>34,250</b>  | <b>14,450</b>  | <b>1,300</b>   | <b>0</b>       | <b>0</b>       | <b>50,000</b> |
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## **Central Utah Project Completion Act Implementation Strategy**

### **CUPCA Governance Structure**

Funds are appropriated to the CUPCA Office and then transferred to qualified grant recipients, Central Utah Water Conservancy District and the Utah Reclamation Mitigation and Conservation Commission. Accountable CUPCA officials: Program Director and Administrative Officer.

### **Setting Priorities and Establishing Criteria**

Allocation of funds will follow the programs established by P.L. 102-575 and the ongoing CUPCA implementation. The Section 314(c) program will follow an established request for proposals (RFP) and prioritization process.

### **Monitoring and Evaluation**



Monitoring and evaluation will follow the procedures set under existing agreements between the Department of the Interior and the Central Utah Water Conservancy District and the Utah Reclamation Mitigation and Conservation Commission. Monthly and quarterly reports will be submitted to the CUPCA Office for review and approval. Under agreement with the Bureau of Reclamation, reports will also be reviewed Reclamation Finance Office.

### **Timeline for Implementation – FY 2022**

#### Completion Account

Valve construction – Sixth Water Flow Control Structure – completed in 2022

Pipeline construction – South Fields Reach 2 – completed in 2022

Pipeline construction – Salem Reach 1 – completed in 2023

Fish and Wildlife Mitigation – Section 314(c) projects – completed in 2023

#### Mitigation Account

Delta Restoration Project – Delta Gateway Park – completion in 2024

Delta Restoration Project – Provo Lakeview Parkway & Trail – completion in 2023

Delta Restoration Project – Provo River Delta, River, Recreation – completion in 2023

### **Administration**

Administrative costs monitoring will follow the procedures set under existing agreements between the Department of the Interior and the Central Utah Water Conservancy District and the Utah Reclamation Mitigation and Conservation Commission.

## **Central Utah Project Completion Account**

### **Program Manager**

The CUPCA Program Director will be the manager for the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law funds.

### **Program Description and Objectives**

The Infrastructure Investment & Jobs Act authorizes \$50 million for the Central Utah Project Completion Act, with \$40 million for the Central Utah Project Completion Account. The completion account work will consist of valve construction at the Sixth Water Flow Control Structure, pipeline construction of the Utah Lake System and Fish and Wildlife mitigation under Section 314(c) of CUPCA.

#### Sixth Water Flow Control Structure – existing program: \$1,500,000

Funds will be used to accelerate work on the valve construction project. Environmental compliance was previously completed. The Sixth Water Flow Control Structure modifications project includes construction of two additional valves to allow lower minimum flows to be released to Sixth Water creek to satisfy environmental commitments of the project. The low flows in the past had damaged the existing sleeve valves which were not designed for low flow releases. This project is currently under construction. Once complete, minimum stream flows



will be provided in Sixth Water and Diamond Fork Creeks to support the fishery and riparian areas.

Utah Lake System – existing program: \$38,200,000

Funds will be used to accelerate work on the Utah Lake System pipeline construction project. Environmental compliance was previously completed. Work will include two pipeline reaches.

The South Fields Reach 2 pipeline includes 2.42 miles of 60-inch welded steel pipe to convey municipal and industrial project water from Strawberry Reservoir to communities in South Utah County. The project also includes replacing an open irrigation canal with high-density polyethylene (HDPE) pipe. This project is currently under construction. This project is mostly in unincorporated agricultural fields.

The Salem Reach 1 pipeline will include 2.26 miles of 60-inch welded steel pipe. This project will also enclose the open Salem Canal with HDPE pipe. This project is designed and will be bid in January 2022. This project is in the heart of Salem city and close coordination has been engaged in with Salem City.

Once completed the Utah Lake System pipelines will provide water from over 100,000 people in south Utah County as well as water for fish and wildlife, endangered species and recreation.

Fish and Wildlife Mitigation – existing program: \$300,000

Funds will be used for competitive grants for the fish and wildlife mitigation related to Reclamation impacts as required under Section 314(c) of CUPCA. Funding will be allocated based upon an RFP and prioritization process. Environmental compliance will need to be completed. The project will provide for ongoing fish and wildlife projects.

**Implementation Strategy**

The CUPCA Office will transfer funds to the Central Utah Water Conservancy District as soon as possible to continue and accelerate the construction projects. The District is a state agency and is a key partner in the development of the Central Utah Project.

Availability of funding for 314(c) projects will be announced as quickly as possible. Through a Request for Proposals (RFP) and a Funding Opportunity Announcement (FOA), proposed projects will be reviewed and prioritized by a team comprised of the CUPCA Office, Bureau of Reclamation and Fish and Wildlife Service. Environmental compliance will be completed prior to the transfer of funds. Tribes in the area of consideration will be contacted and invited to submit proposals under this program.

**Performance**

The construction program performance is monitored by full-time on-site construction inspectors. Monthly and quarterly reports are submitted, reviewed and approved. Performance is measured in terms of length of pipeline installed.



The 314(c) project performance will be evaluated based upon each project's scope of work. The projects will be monitored for performance. Performance will be measured in terms of project accomplishment of the project's scope of work.

## **Utah Reclamation Mitigation and Conservation Account**

### **Program Managers**

The CUPCA Program Director will be the manager for the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law funds.

### **Program Description and Objectives**

The Infrastructure Investment & Jobs Act authorizes \$50 million for the Central Utah Project Completion Act, with \$10 million for the Utah Reclamation Mitigation and Conservation Account. The Mitigation account work will consist of development of the Provo River Delta Restoration Project which is a key component of the June Sucker Recovery Implementation Program.

#### **Construction of Provo River Delta Gateway Park – existing program: \$2,700,000**

Funds will be obligated under Agreements with Provo City, and with US Bureau of Reclamation for site preparation. The park is one of several recreational features of the Delta Project. Provo City will construct, and also own and maintain the park after completion. The project will begin in Spring 2022, with final completion by 12/31/2024.

#### **Construction of Provo Lakeview Parkway and Trail – existing program: \$3,000,000**

Funds will be obligated under Agreement with Provo City. Provo adopted a Transportation Master Plan and prepared construction-ready designs for the Provo Lakeview Parkway and Trail (PLPT) in April 2013. The Delta Project and the PLPT partially share common construction footprint. Plans for the Delta Project required alterations to the design of the PLPT, which affected Provo's costs for design and construction. The Agreement assures adequate and appropriate compensation to Provo to complete the modified parkway and trail project.

#### **Completing Construction of Provo Delta Restoration Project – existing project: \$4,300,000**

Funds will be obligated under Agreement with U.S. Bureau of Reclamation and private contractors for continuing final design and construction of the Delta Project features. Remaining items include delta excavation and revegetation, new Provo River channel, small regulating dam and diversion facility on old Provo River channel, trailheads and trails, and other recreational features.

### **Implementation Strategy**

The CUPCA Office will transfer funds to the Utah Reclamation Mitigation and Conservation Commission as soon as possible to continue and accelerate the implementation of the Delta



Project. The Mitigation Commission is a Federal agency and is a key partner in the development of the Central Utah Project.

**Performance**

The implementation of the Delta Project is monitored through weekly progress meetings and monthly project partner meetings. Monthly and quarterly reports are submitted, reviewed and approved. Performance is measured in terms Delta Project progress.