



CENTRAL UTAH PROJECT

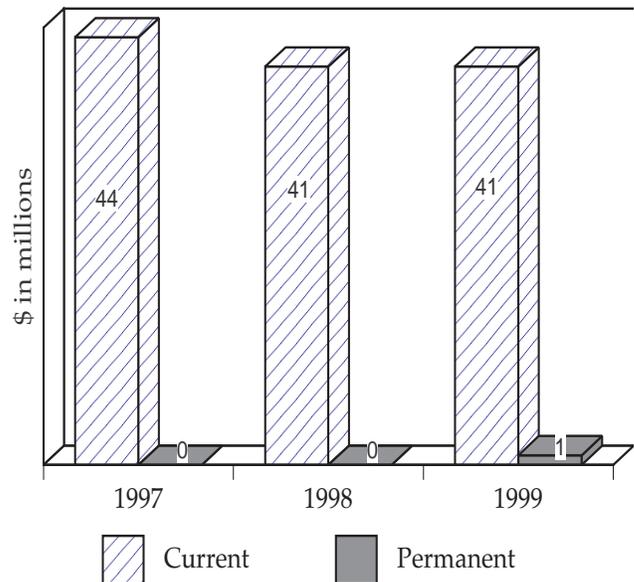
Mission - The purpose of this program is to complete the Central Utah Project in a timely and environmentally sound manner.

Program Overview - The Central Utah Project Completion Act provides for completion of the CUP by the Central Utah Water Conservancy District. The Completion Act also authorizes funding for fish, wildlife, and recreation mitigation and conservation activities; establishes the Utah Reclamation Mitigation and Conservation Commission to oversee implementation of those activities; and authorizes funding for the Ute Indian Rights Settlement (which appears in the Bureau of Indian Affairs budget).

The Completion Act became law in October 1992 after several years of debate regarding how to complete the CUP and resolve related claims of the Ute Indian Tribe. A program office has been established in Provo, Utah, to provide liaison between the Department and the District, the Commission, and the Ute Indian Tribe. From 1994 through 1998, \$194.9 million has been appropriated to this program for use by the District, the Commission, and the Federal program office to implement provisions of the Completion Act, and for work on additional facilities to serve Indian and non-Indian water users in the Uinta Basin.

Accomplishments through 1997 include: initiation of construction on the Wasatch County Water Efficiency Project; implementation of 14 other water conservation measures that conserve a total of 12,000 acre-feet of water annually; initiation of a major conjunctive use project in Salt Lake County; completion of construction of the Lower Diamond Fork Pipeline; substantial progress on planning the remaining segments of the Diamond Fork System, the Spanish Fork Canyon/Nephi Irrigation System, and the Uinta Basin replacement facilities; and initiation of a variety of activities by the Mitigation Commission, including land acquisitions for the Provo River Restoration Project, and around Great Salt Lake, the Jordan River, and Utah Lake to protect wetlands.

CUP Funding



Budget Overview - Total budget authority for this program in 1999 is \$42.1 million, an increase of \$0.9 million over the 1998 level. The President's Budget request for current budget authority is \$40.9 million in these accounts, a decrease of \$0.2 million from 1998.

As described on the following pages, the 1999 request includes \$20.4 million for the District, \$12.5 million for the Commission, and \$6.6 million for the program office to implement the Completion Act; and \$1.5 million to continue work on the separately authorized Uintah and Upalco Units. The request for the District includes increased funding for construction of the Diamond Fork System, the Wasatch County Water Efficiency Project, and other water management improvement projects. This increase is offset by reduced funding for work on the Spanish Fork Canyon/Nephi Irrigation System and the Uinta Basin Replacement Project, reflecting delays needed to resolve issues about the configuration of these features.

SUMMARY OF BUREAU APPROPRIATIONS
(all dollar amounts in thousands)

Comparison of 1999 Request with 1998 Enacted:

	1998 Enacted		1999 Request		Change From 1998	
	<u>FTE</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>FTE</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>FTE</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Appropriations						
Central Utah Project Completion Account	5	29,543	5	28,472	0	-1,071
Utah Reclamation Mitigation & Conservation	13	11,610	13	12,476	0	+866
Subtotal, Appropriations	18	41,153	18	40,948	0	-205
Permanents and Trusts						
Utah Reclamation Mitigation & Conservation	0	0	0	1,145	0	+1,145
Subtotal, Permanents and Trusts	0	0	0	1,145	0	+1,145
TOTAL, CENTRAL UTAH PROJECT	18	41,153	18	42,093	0	+940

Note: For scorekeeping purposes, the current budget authority in these accounts is offset by the Federal contribution to the principal of the Utah Reclamation Mitigation and Conservation Account (\$5.0 million in both years).

HIGHLIGHTS OF BUDGET CHANGES
By Appropriation Activity/Subactivity

APPROPRIATION: Central Utah Project Completion Account

	<u>1997 Actual</u>	<u>1998 Enacted</u>	<u>1999 Request</u>	<u>Change from 1998 Enacted</u>
Central Utah Project Construction	25,527	21,177	20,390	-787
Mitigation and Conservation	5,300	5,316	5,349	+33
Uintah/Upalco Units	0	2,250	1,450	-800
Program Administration	1,100	800	1,283	+483
TOTAL APPROPRIATION	31,927	29,543	28,472	-1,071

Program Highlights

Central Utah Project Construction

Funds are requested for use by the Central Utah Water Conservancy District to continue construction of the Wasatch County Water Efficiency Project, the Salt Lake County conjunctive use program, and other approved water conservation projects; and to continue work on the Diamond Fork System, Spanish Fork Canyon/Nephi Irrigation System, and Uinta Basin Replacement Project.

Mitigation and Conservation

The request includes \$5.0 million for the Federal contribution to the principal of the Utah Reclamation Mitigation and Conservation Account, and \$0.3 million for other mitigation and conservation activities.

Uintah/Upalco Units

Funds are requested to continue work on additional facilities serving Indian and non-Indian water users in the Uinta Basin.

Program Administration

These funds support a small office in Provo, Utah, and other activities necessary to carry out responsibilities of the Secretary. The proposed increase reflects a return to normal funding levels (available prior year balances were used in 1998).

APPROPRIATION:Utah Reclamation Mitigation & Conservation Account

	<u>1997 Actual</u>	<u>1998 Enacted</u>	<u>1999 Request</u>	<u>Change from 1998 Enacted</u>
Fish, Wildlife, and Recreation				
Mitigation and Conservation	11,700	11,610	12,476	+866
TOTAL APPROPRIATION	11,700	11,610	12,476	+866

Program Highlights

Fish, Wildlife, and Recreation Mitigation and Conservation

Funds are requested for use by the Utah Reclamation Mitigation and Conservation Commission in implementing the fish, wildlife, and recreation mitigation and conservation projects authorized in Title III (\$8.9 million); and in completing mitigation measures committed to in BOR planning documents (\$3.6 million).