

ORDER NO. 3230

SIGNATURE DATE: June 13, 2001

Subject: Delegation of Authority to the Bureau of Reclamation

Sec. 1 **Purpose.** The purpose of this Order is to delegate such additional authority as may be necessary to the Regional Director, Upper Colorado Region, of the Bureau of Reclamation to apply for a permit from the New Mexico State Engineer to direct the release and management of Conservation Water for endangered species purposes in the Middle Rio Grande Basin in New Mexico.

Sec. 2 **Authority.** This Order is issued in accordance with the authority provided to the Secretary by section 2 of Reorganization Plan No. 3 of 1950 (5 U.S.C. Appendix).

Sec. 3 **Delegation.** The Regional Director of the Upper Colorado Region of the Bureau of Reclamation is delegated so much of the authority of the Secretary in 16 U.S.C. ' 1534 and 16 U.S.C. ' 742f as is necessary to allow the United States, through Reclamation, to acquire a permit to direct the release and management of conservation water to be used for endangered species purposes in the Middle Rio Grande Basin in New Mexico.

Sec. 4 **Expiration Date.** This Order is effective immediately, and its provisions will remain in effect until April 13, 2004, or until it is amended, superseded, or revoked; whichever occurs first.

/s/ Gale A. Norton
Secretary of the Interior

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