

**BUREAU OF RECLAMATION  
CONTINGENCY PLAN FACT SHEET  
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The Bureau of Reclamation is the nation's largest wholesale water supplier, operating 337 reservoirs. Reclamation is the second largest producer of hydropower in the United States and operates 53 hydroelectric powerplants that have annually produced, on average, 40 billion kilowatt-hours. The sources of funding for operation, maintenance, and oversight of these facilities includes annually appropriated funds subject to a lapse of appropriations and non-lapsing funds such as up-front funding, multi-year funds, and reimbursable funding.

**Services and programs that would remain operational**

- Reservoir Operations/Water Delivery
- Power Operation and Maintenance
- Water Treatment
- Native American Rural Water Operations and Maintenance
- While the visitor centers for Hoover and Grand Coulee Dams will remain open, other Reclamation-operated recreation areas, concessionaires, and visitor centers may be closed.
- Security, Law Enforcement and Emergency Management to Ensure Protection of Life and Property
- Operation and maintenance of monitoring networks (e.g., seismic and dam safety data) and Early Warning Systems necessary to protect life and property
- Limited Dam Safety Program Activities
- Limited Water Rights to the extent these activities are supported by funding sources that have not lapsed

**Services and programs that would be ceased**

- Non-emergency right-of-way or special use permits
- Engineering, technical, laboratory, and project management services that are funded by lapsing appropriations