



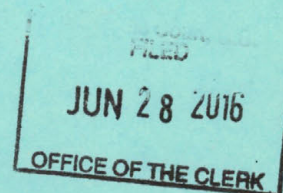
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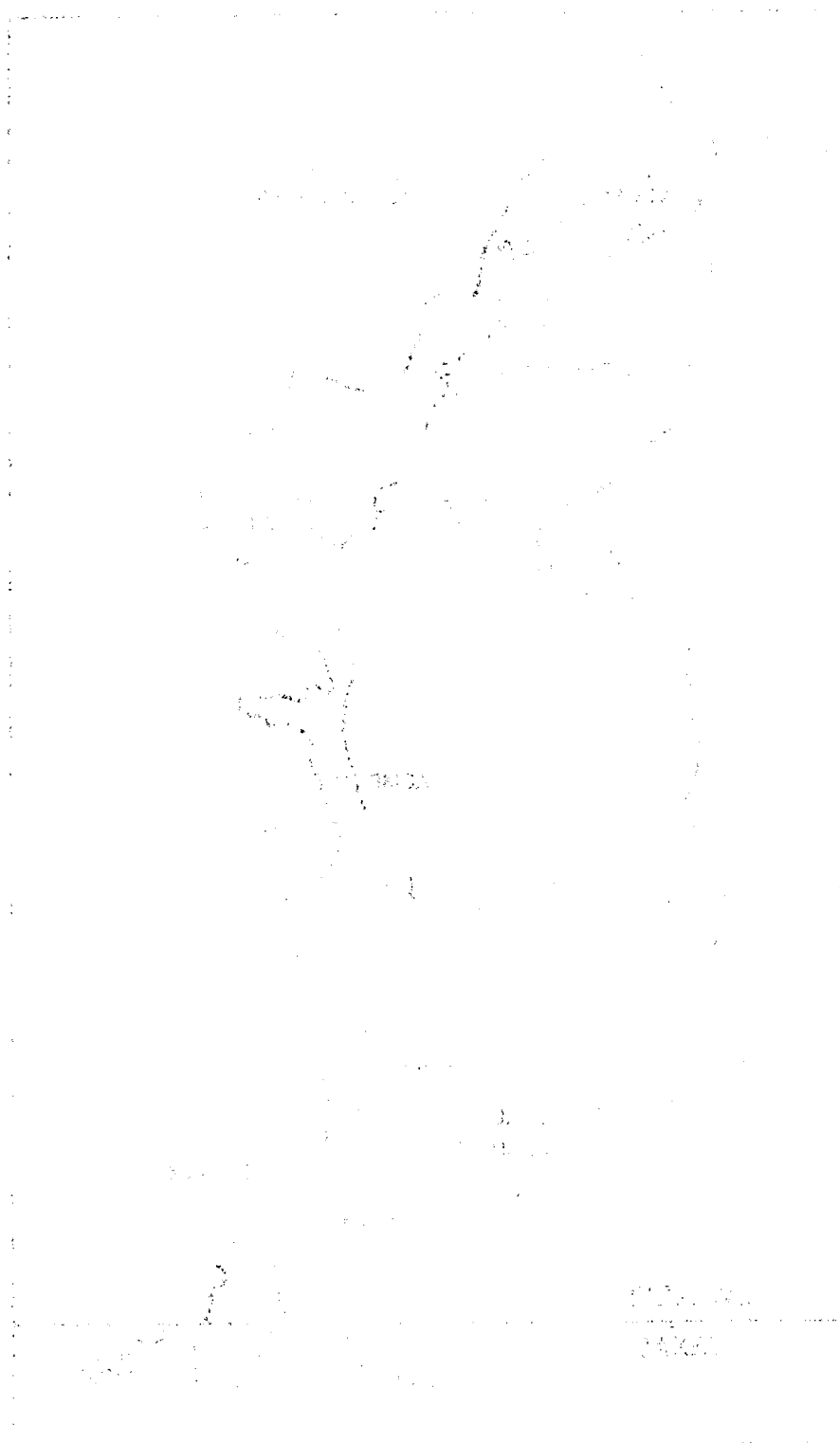
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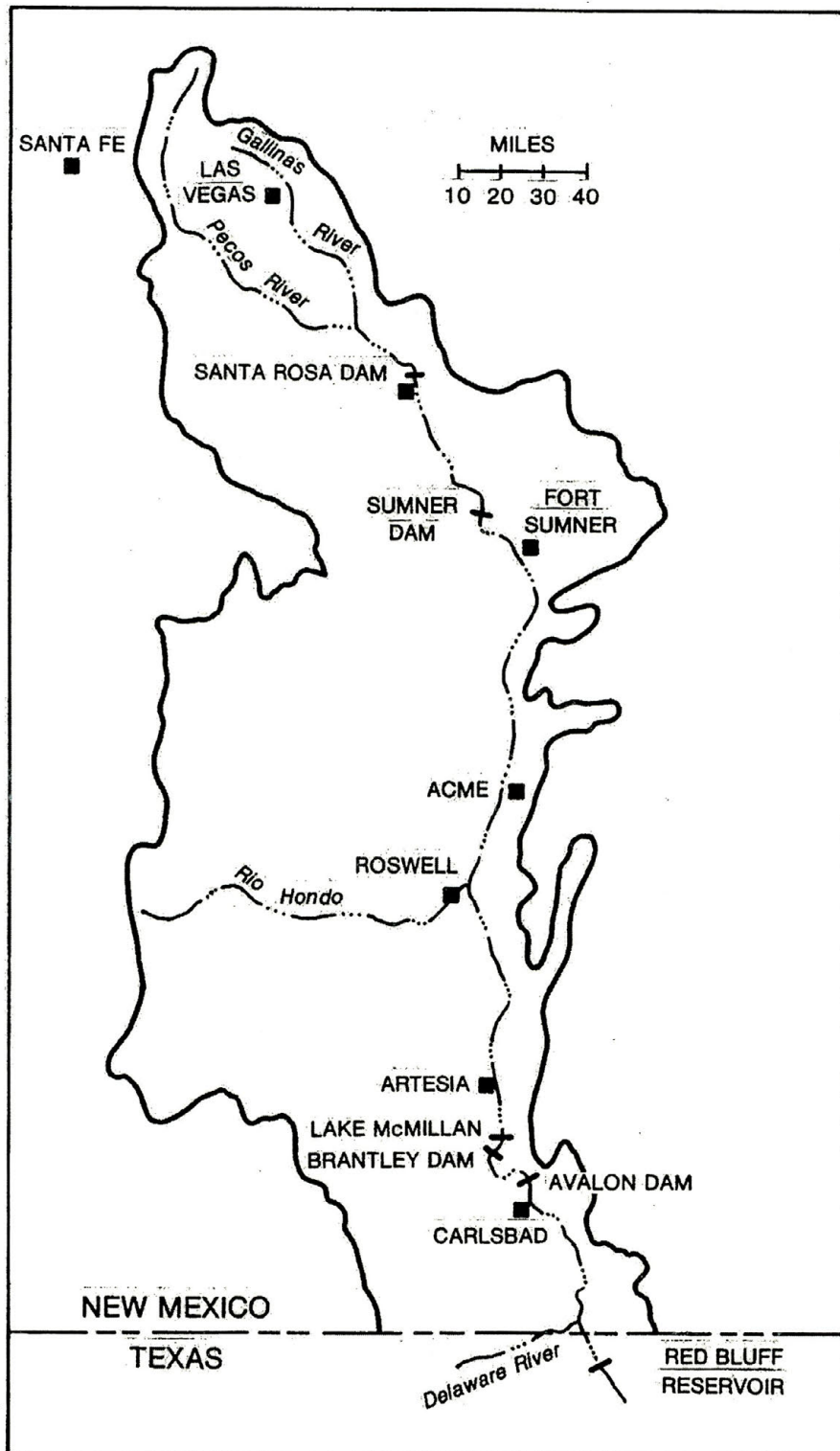
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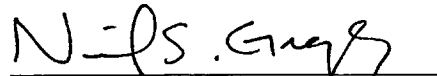
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No. 65, Original
Amended Decree

Final Report of the River Master
Water Year 2015 - Accounting Year 2016
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Purpose of the Report. In its Amended Decree issued March 28, 1988 the Supreme Court of the United States appointed a River Master of the Pecos River and directed him to "... Deliver to the parties a Preliminary Report setting forth the tentative results of the calculations required by Section III.B.1 of this Decree by May 15 of the accounting year..." and to consider "... any written objections to the Preliminary Report submitted by the parties prior to June 15 of the accounting year..." and to deliver "... to the parties a Final Report setting forth the final results of the calculations required by Section III.B.1 of this Decree by July 1 of the accounting year." This is the required Final Report with the determination of:

- a. The Article III(a) obligation;
- b. Any shortfall or overage, which calculation shall disregard deliveries of water pursuant to an Approved Plan;
- c. The net shortfall, if any, after subtracting any overages accumulated in previous years, beginning with water year 1987.

Result of Calculations and Statement of Shortfall or Overage. The results of the calculations in this Final Report show that New Mexico's delivery in Water Year 2015 was an overage of 11,900 acre-feet. The accumulated overage since the beginning of Water Year 1987 is 109,500 acre-feet.



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Pecos River Compact		
Accumulated Shortfall or Overage		
	June 23, 2016	
Water Year	Annual Overage or Shortfall, AF	Accumulated Overage or Shortfall, AF
1987	15,400	15,400
1988	23,600	39,000
1989	2,700	41,700
1990	-14,100	27,600
1991	-16,500	11,100
1992	10,900	22,000
1993	6,600	28,600
1994	5,900	34,500
1995	-14,100	20,400
1996	-6,700	13,700
1997	6,100	19,800
1998	1,700	21,500
1999	1,400	22,900
2000	-12,300	10,600
2001	-700	9,900
2002	-3,000	6,900
2003	2,000	8,900
2004	8,300	17,200
2005	24,000	41,200
2006	26,100	67,300
2007	25,200	92,500
2008	6,000	98,500
2009	1,600	100,100
2010	-500	99,600
2011	500	100,100
2012	1,900	102,000
2013	-6,300	95,700
2014	1,900	97,600
2015	11,900	109,500

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Table 1. General Calculation of Annual Departures in TAF (B.1)			
Water Year	2015		
6/23/2016			
	WY 2013	WY 2014	WY 2015
B.1.a. Index Inflows			
(1) Annual flood inflow			
(a) Gaged flow Pecos R bel Alamogordo Dam	63.6	120.6	100.7
(b) Flood Inflow Alamogordo - Artesia (Table 2)	54.4	57.3	28.5
(c) Flood Inflow Artesia - Carlsbad (Table 3)	39.9	42.5	3.2
(d) Flood Inflow Carlsbad - State Line (Table 4)	23.2	122.8	6.2
Total (annual flood inflow)	181.1	343.2	138.6
(2) Index Inflow (3-year avg)			221.0
B.1.b. 1947 Condition Delivery Obligation (Index Outflow)			106.3
B.1.c. Average Historical (Gaged) Outflow			
(1) Annual historical outflow			
(a) Gaged Flow Pecos River at Red Bluff NM	51.0	146.6	101.1
(b) Gaged Flow Delaware River nr Red Bluff NM	12.2	48.3	5.4
(c) Metered diversions Permit 3254 into C-2713	0.2	0.2	0.2
Total Annual Historical Outflow	63.4	195.1	106.7
(2) Average Historical Outflow (3-yr average)			121.7
B.1.d. Annual Departure			15.4
C. Adjustments to Computed Departure			
1. Adjustments for Depletions above Alam Dam			
a. Depletions Due to Irrigation (Table 5)	2.0	-0.2	-3.2
b. Depl fr Operation of Santa Rosa Reservoir (Table 6)	8.6	-1.7	16.7
c. Transfer of Water Use to Upstream of AD	0	0	0
Recomputed Index Inflows			
(1) Annual flood inflow			
(a) Gaged flow Pecos R bel Alamogordo Dam	74.2	118.7	114.2
(b) Flood Inflow Alamogordo - Artesia	54.4	57.3	28.5
(c) Flood Inflow Artesia - Carlsbad	39.9	42.5	3.2
(d) Flood Inflow Carlsbad - State Line	23.2	122.8	6.2
Total (annual flood inflow)	191.7	341.3	152.1
Recomputed Index Inflow (3-year avg)			228.4
Recomputed 1947 Condition Del Outflow (Index Outflow)			111.4
Recomputed Annual Departures			10.3
Credits to New Mexico			
C.2 Depletions Due to McMillan Dike			1.5
C.3 Salvage Water Analysis			0
C.4 Unappropriated Flood Waters			0
C.5 Texas Water Stored in NM Reservoirs			0
C.6 Beneficial C.U. Delaware River Water			0
Final Calculated Departure, TAF			11.9

Table 2. Determination of Flood Inflows, Alamogordo Dam to Artesia (B.3)

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Table 3. Determination of Flood Inflows, Artesia to Carlsbad (B.4)															
Water Year															
6/18/2016															

Table 4. Summary Table for Computations, Carlsbad to State Line (B.5)

Water Year		2015			
6/18/2016					
		BCB - RB		Del R*	DC
		RM			
Jan		0.1		0.0	0.0
Feb		0.0		0.0	0.0
Mar		0.1		0.0	0.0
Apr		0.1		0.0	0.0
May		0.8		0.1	0.2
Jun		0.2		0.0	0.0
Jul		1.0		0.1	0.0
Aug		0.0		0.0	0.0
Sep		0.3		0.9	0.0
Oct		0.7		1.0	0.2
Nov		0.2		0.0	0.0
Dec		0.2		0.0	0.0
Total		3.6		2.2	0.4
Summary of flood inflows, Carlsbad to State Line, TAF					
Red Bluff - Carlsbad + Dark C RM calcs)					4.0
Delaware River					2.2
Total Flood Inflow, Carlsbad to State Line					6.2
*USGS Computation was amended via Final Report					
Values shown sum to 2.1 TAF but residuals at 1 AF precision add 0.1 TAF					

Table 5. Depletions Due to Irrigation Above Sumner Dam (C.1.a)

Table 6. Depletions Due to Santa Rosa Reservoir Operations (C.1.b)

Table 7. Carlsbad Springs New Water [B.4.c.(2)]					
Water Year	2015				
6/18/2016					
		TAF	AF/day	cfs	Totals
Pecos R bel DC		69.3	189.9	95.7	95.7
Dark Canyon		0.4	1.1	0.6	0.6
Pecos R bel Lake Avalon		53.2	145.8	73.5	73.5
Depletion, cfs					2.0
CID lag seep, cfs (from Table 8)					5.9
Return flow, cfs					1.0
Lake Av lagged seep, cfs (from Table 9)					25.7
PR seepage, cfs					3.0
Carls new water, cfs					-11.9
Carls new wat, TAF					-8.6
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Table 8. Carlsbad Main Canal Seepage Lagged [B.4.c.(2)(e)]													
Water Year	2015												
5/8/2016													
	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEPT	OCT	NOV	DEC	TOTAL
WY 2015													
CID, TAF	0.0	0.0	3.0	11.0	5.8	11.8	8.5	10.5	6.3	4.7	0.0	0.0	61.6
days/mo	31	28	31	30	31	30	31	31	30	31	30	31	365
cfs	0	0.0	49.3	185.5	94.0	197.6	138.7	170.0	106.2	76.1	0.0	0.0	84.8
cfs, qtr avg			17.0			158.3			138.6			25.6	
WY 2014		1Q	2Q	3Q	4Q								
FLows, cfs				123.5	21.5								
SEVEN %				8.6	1.5								
WY 2015 lagged		1Q	2Q	3Q	4Q								
FLows, cfs		17.0	158.3	138.6	25.6								
SEVEN %		1.2	11.1	9.7	1.8								
LAG		2.5	6.2	8.7	6.0	Avg =	5.9	cfs					

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Table 12. Data Required for River Master Manual Calculations

Water Year	2015												
6/18/2016													
	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEPT	OCT	NOV	DEC	TOTAL
STREAMFLOW GAGING RECORDS, TAF													
Pecos R b Sumner Dam	1.3	1.4	3.8	13.1	5.3	25.9	7.0	25.0	5.7	10.3	0.6	1.5	100.7
Fort Sumner Main C	0.0	0.0	3.1	5.3	3.3	5.3	5.9	4.6	5.4	3.2	0.0	0.0	36.1
Pecos R nr Artesia	5.2	4.0	4.2	4.5	16.6	10.8	14.3	22.9	5.4	16.0	7.7	5.4	116.9
Rio Penasco at Dayton	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Fourmile Draw nr Lakewood	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
South Seven Rivers nr Lkwd	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Rocky Arroyo at Hwy Br nr	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Pecos R at Dam Site 3	1.4	1.3	1.8	13.0	7.7	14.9	9.9	40.9	40.1	3.2	1.2	1.3	136.6
Pecos bel Avalon Dam	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	22.4	29.2	1.6	0.0	0.0	53.2
Carlsbad Main Canal	0.0	0.0	3.0	11.0	5.8	11.8	8.5	10.5	6.3	4.7	0.0	0.0	61.6
Dark Canyon at Carlsbad	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.2	0.0	0.0	0.4
Pecos below Dark Canyon	2.0	1.9	2.0	1.9	2.4	2.2	2.1	19.9	25.3	4.8	2.6	2.3	69.3
Pecos R at Red Bluff	4.9	4.2	4.5	4.3	5.3	4.0	4.3	19.6	27.8	11.7	5.5	5.1	101.1
Delaware R nr Red Bluff	0.3	0.3	0.4	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.2	1.0	1.4	0.4	0.4	5.4
GAGE HEIGHTS													
Avalon gage ht, end mo	76.3	76.6	73.3	73.5	73.5	75.7	74.7	78.0	78.0	73.2	74.2	75.3	
Avalon gage ht, avg	76.0	76.5	76.3	73.4	73.6	74.5	75.6	77.5	78.0	75.9	73.6	74.7	
Sumner Lake ga ht, end mo	63.9	64.7	64.7	61.0	60.7	59.7	59.8	60.0	58.9	57.5	62.6	63.9	
Sumner Lake gage ht, avg	63.3	64.3	64.9	63.9	60.8	60.2	59.2	60.5	59.4	58.7	61.4	63.3	
Lake S Rosa ga ht, end mo	36.6	36.6	37.1	38.3	44.0	43.4	45.4	46.2	45.9	47.4	45.0	45.0	
Lake S Rosa ga ht, avg	36.6	37.6	36.7	37.9	40.4	46.2	44.8	45.8	46.0	46.5	45.2	44.9	
PRECIPITATION, INCHES													
Brantley Lake	1.09	0.16	0.37	1.04	3.28	1.01	1.92	0.83	2.14	5.08	0.19	0.86	17.97
Las Vegas FAA AP	0.70	1.08	1.21	0.57	4.43	3.95	3.29	2.60	0.50	4.28	0.56	0.37	23.54
Pecos National Monument	1.25	1.23	1.16	0.13	2.82	1.32	4.52	2.27	0.43	3.73	1.11	1.13	21.10
Santa Rosa	1.41	1.24	0.66	0.63	5.13	1.62	4.83	3.35	0.46	3.93	1.35	0.64	25.25
Lake Santa Rosa	1.41	1.24	0.66	0.63	5.13	1.62	4.83	3.35	0.46	3.93	1.35	0.64	25.25
Sumner Lake	1.51	0.67	0.59	0.18	2.95	4.39	6.05	1.76	1.16	4.83	0.59	0.99	25.67
PAN EVAPORATION, INCHES													
Lake Santa Rosa	3.7	5.0	8.7	9.2	9.4	10.7	11.2	10.0	8.5	4.3	4.9	3.7	89.3
Lake Sumner	1.8	3.8	6.2	11.5	11.0	11.6	12.1	12.1	9.7	6.7	4.2	3.7	94.4
Brantley Lake	4.7	5.6	5.7	10.1	11.3	12.0	12.6	12.5	8.7	5.9	4.8	4.3	98.3
OTHER REPORTS													
Base Acme-Art, TAF (USGS)	3.0	2.3	2.5	2.1	1.8	1.4	1.0	0.9	0.7	1.6	2.3	2.6	22.2
Pump depl Ac-Artesia, TAF	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.5
Pumping, C-2713, Malaga B													0.2
NM irrig inv, acres (3/9/2000)													11529
NM Transfer water use, TAF													
NM salvaged water, TAF													0.00
Texas, water stored NM, TAF	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Texas, use Del water, TAF													

APPENDIX

RESPONSE TO STATES' OBJECTIONS

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NEW MEXICO OBJECTIONS

1. Table 3. Determination of Flood Inflows, Artesia to Carlsbad.

New Mexico noted an error in Table 3 where 2014 data were used incorrectly for Carlsbad Irrigation District (CID) diversions. The objection is accepted and the 2015 data were inserted into a revised Table 3. See also response to Texas objection 2.

2. Table 4. Flood Inflow, Carlsbad to State Line.

a. New Mexico noted that values listed on Table 4 as Delaware River flood inflow were incorrect because they include the entire flow of the river instead of the scalped flood Inflows. The objection is accepted and values have been revised. See also response to Texas objection 3

New Mexico wrote that the Preliminary Report flood inflow analysis appeared inconsistent with the procedure in B.5.a.(3) of the River Masters Manual for periods when Dark Canyon Draw was flowing. The River Master checked this for the dates mentioned (May 5- 6 and October 8) but on all of those dates the scalped flows were positive, so the revised procedures for Section B.5.a.(3) were not needed.

3. Monthly Precipitation and Pan Evaporation for WY 2015

New Mexico reported that Table RM3 provided by the NMISC was incorrect due to an error in pan evaporation data for Sumner Reservoir for November and December. The correct data were inserted into revised Tables 6 and 12.

TEXAS OBJECTIONS

Texas entered a general objection related to unresolved issues from unusual flooding that occurred during WY 2014. These issues were the subject of a meeting between the states' Technical Representatives and the River Master on February 11, 2016. Notes from the meeting as transmitted by Ms. Hannah Riseley-White indicated that the states would work together to determine accounting for 2014-2015 and send to the River Master along with the necessary data adjustment for Dark Canyon Draw. As indicated in its general objection, Texas will contact New Mexico to resolve any issues related to WY 2014 for presentation to the River Master. If another meeting with the River Master is needed to resolve the issues, it can be held at the convenience of the states.

1. Table 7. Carlsbad Springs New Water [B.4.c.(2)]. WY 2015:

Texas noted an incidence where the leap year had not been returned to the 365 day year. This error has been corrected, and the objection is accepted. Tables 3 and 7 have been revised.

2. Table 3. Determination of Flood Inflows, Artesia to Carlsbad [B.4], WY 2015. .

The same objection was made by New Mexico (See NM #1 above). The objection is accepted and corrections have been made.

3. Table 4. Summary Table for Computations, Carlsbad to State Line (B.5)

a. Scalped Delaware River Flood Inflows.

- 1). Texas noted that the River Master had included all Delaware River flows and not only scalped flood flows. This is the same as New Mexico objection 2a above, and is accepted.
- 2). Texas made an independent calculation of Delaware River flood inflows by using a larger scale than USGS. This resulted in identification of additional flood inflows, which were verified by the River Master. The objection is accepted and the value used is 2.2 TAF for Delaware River flood inflows.

b. Scalped Flood Flows for Carlsbad to Red Bluff.

Texas noted several instances where values in the appendix did not look correct.

- 1) Texas is correct that values for January 30-31 were not included. This omission was corrected.
- 2) March and April values were also checked and all numbers calibrated, as outlined by Texas.
- 3) Texas suggested use of incorrect values for December 14-31 for the Pecos River below Dark Canyon gage. This was to be due to changes in the final approved streamflow values. The River Master has not received notification of any such changes and found a May 17, 2016 email message from Jeff Cordova of USGS to Texas that stated "I do not anticipate changes to any of the Pecos gage records for CY15." In any event, as noted by Texas, the totals would change very slightly even if the revisions had been made.
- 4). Texas noted an indication from the Black River hydrograph that there was flood inflow in the Carlsbad to Red Bluff reach in the late September time period (see Texas Exhibit E). The River Master analyzed this time period and agrees with Texas's assertion that 0.3 TAF of flood inflow should be added as a result of the September flows. However, Texas did not show any added flood inflow for August.

FINAL CALCULATED DEPARTURE

The Preliminary Report's Final Calculated Departure was an overage of 11.9 TAF. After considering the states' objections, the Final Determination is an overage of 11.9 TAF.

