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Stampede Reservoir, Application 15673 (Permit 11605)

This memo is in response to your note on a copy of Mr. M. A. Catino's letter of May 5, 1980. This note asks if the proposal to again release water stored in Stampede Reservoir to aid in restoration of the Pyramid Lake fishery is consistent with any water rights in California.

The U. S. Water and Power Resources Service has no rights for use of this water in California (except for recreation at the reservoir). Permit 11605 (Application 15673) covers direct diversion of 350 cubic feet per second from about April 1 to about November 1 and collection to storage of 126,000 acre-feet per annum in Stampede Reservoir throughout the year for domestic, municipal, industrial, irrigation, flood control, fish culture and recreational purposes. The place of use is Truckee Meadows, gross acreage 36,340, net acreage 26,800 and Newlands Project, gross acreage 107,140, net acreage 70,000. The Service has no other California permits for this water.

The Service states in its progress reports that use of water under this permit is limited by court decision Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe of Indians v. Roger C. B. Morton, Civil Action No. 2506-70, and until pending court actions are settled, none of the water developed by Stampede Reservoir is permitted to serve any purpose except maintaining of flows in the Truckee River below Derby Dam. The time for completing use under the permit expired in 1976. WPRS filed a petition for extension at that time. Board action has been deferred on it and other petitions in the Tahoe-Truckee River watershed.

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