

**In The Matter Of:**  
*Boulder Canyon Project*  
*Proposed Fiscal Year 2017 Base Charge*

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*Public Comment Forum*  
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**PUBLIC COMMENT FORUM**

**Proposed Fiscal Year 2017**

**Base Charge for**

**Boulder Canyon Project**

**Buckeye, Arizona**

**May 25, 2016**

**10:35 a.m.**

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Court Reporter**

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1                   THIS PUBLIC COMMENT FORUM was taken on  
2    May 25, 2016, commencing at 10:35 a.m. at the Western Area  
3    Power Administration, Desert Southwest Regional Office,  
4    615 South 43rd Avenue, Phoenix, Arizona, before  
5    DANIELLE C. GRIFFIN, Court Reporter.

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7    **APPEARING:**

8                   Mr. Scott Lund

9                   Rates Manager

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11                  Mr. Kevin Schaefer

12                  Public Utilities Specialist

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14    **ALSO PRESENT:**

15                  Ms. Amy Mingella

1 MR. LUND: Okay. Let's go ahead and get  
2 started. Good morning, everyone. Welcome to our public  
3 comment forum.

4 I'm Scott Lund. I'm the Rates Manager here  
5 at Desert Southwest Region and I'll be the moderator of  
6 the forum this morning. The purpose of this forum is to  
7 give interested parties the opportunity to make oral  
8 presentations and/or submit written comments for the  
9 record on the proposed base charge and rate adjustment for  
10 the Boulder Canyon Project for fiscal year 2017.

11 Written comments and the proposed base  
12 charge and rates must be received by the close of the  
13 consultation and comment period on July 5, 2016. Comments  
14 should be sent to Mr. Ronald E. Moulton, Senior Vice  
15 President and Regional Manager of Western's Desert  
16 Southwest Customer Service Region, by mail to P.O. Box  
17 6457, Phoenix, Arizona, 85005, or by e-mail to  
18 moulton@wapa.gov. That's M-o-u-l-t-o-n at W-a-p-a.gov.

19 A verbatim transcript of this forum will be  
20 prepared by our court reporter. Everything said while we  
21 are in session today will be part of the official record.  
22 Copies of the transcript and the complete record of the  
23 public process will be available for review here at the  
24 Desert Southwest Customer Service Regional Office.

25 All presentations and comments of this forum

1 should be relevant to the proposed base charge and rates.  
2 As the moderator, I reserve the right to disallow any  
3 presentations or comments which are not relevant to the  
4 subject matter at this forum.

5 Please provide me with any materials to be  
6 introduced in the record and they will be assigned an  
7 exhibit number. After the close of the consultation and  
8 comment period, all comments, exhibits, and other  
9 information will be received, reviewed, and considered.  
10 Western will then issue a notice in the Federal Register  
11 addressing comments made during the public process.

12 I will now open the forum for oral  
13 presentations and comments. After you've been recognized,  
14 please proceed to the microphone and give your name and  
15 the name of the organization that you represent. Also,  
16 for the convenience of the court reporter, please spell  
17 your last name. To assist with the transcription, if you  
18 have an extra copy of the presentation please give it, the  
19 copy of, the court reporter as well.

20 Does anyone want to make a presentation or  
21 provide comments?

22 Okay. When you are ready, please step up to  
23 the microphone.

24 MS. MINGELLA: My name is Amy Mingella,  
25 M-i-g-n-e-l-l-a.

1 I represent the Kaibab Paiute Tribe and we  
2 will be submitting written comments to supplement these  
3 comments today, but I wanted to make a comment on the  
4 record for the purpose of this meeting that the Tribe has  
5 noted in the materials on the previous information  
6 presentation that one of the components of the increase in  
7 the base charge relates to process costs for the Hoover  
8 contracting steps that have been taken thus far, and we  
9 have made our objections to those -- to the style of that  
10 process and the necessary expenditures that the Tribe has  
11 had to incur to participate in that process many times  
12 already, to both agencies, and want to again object to  
13 another element of expense relating to that.

14 Thank you.

15 MR. LUND: Thank you for your comments.

16 Any other commenters?

17 Okay. Seeing that no one else has indicated  
18 that they would like to provide comments, thank you for  
19 attending this forum.

20 Please remember that any written comments  
21 must be received by July 5th, 2016.

22 Again, thank you for your attendance and  
23 participation and the forum is now closed and we will go  
24 off the record.

25 (Forum concluded at 10:39 a.m.)

1 STATE OF ARIZONA )  
2 COUNTY OF MARICOPA ) ss.  
3 )

4 BE IT KNOWN that the foregoing  
5 proceedings were taken before me; that the witness before  
6 testifying was duly sworn by me to testify to the whole  
7 truth; that the foregoing pages are a full, true, and  
8 accurate record of the proceedings, all done to the best  
9 of my skill and ability; that the proceedings were taken  
10 down by me in shorthand and thereafter reduced to print  
11 under my direction.

12 I AFFIRM that I am in no way  
13 related to any of the parties hereto, nor am I in any way  
14 interested in the outcome hereof.

- 15  Review and signature was requested.
- 16  Review and signature was waived.
- 17  Review and signature not required.

18 Dated at Phoenix, Arizona, this 25th day of  
19 May, 2016.

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21 DANIELLE C. GRIFFIN  
22 Court Reporter

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