

(The material referred to follows:)

LOWER BASIN INDIAN WATER USERS—ARIZONA VERSUS CALIFORNIA

State (Indian reservation)	Acres	Ultimate annual consumptive use at 4 acre-feet per acre	Consumptive use in 1966 (last data available)	Amount remaining (acre-feet annually)
Arizona:				
Fort Mohave.....	14,916	59,664	0	59,664
Cocopah.....	431	1,724	1,600	124
Colorado River.....	99,375	397,500	201,966	195,534
Total, Arizona.....	114,722	458,888	203,566	255,322
California:				
Yuma.....	7,743	30,972	20,000	10,972
Fort Mohave.....	2,119	8,476	0	8,476
Chemehuevi.....	1,900	7,600	0	7,600
Colorado River.....	8,213	32,852	0	32,852
Total, California.....	19,975	79,900	20,000	59,900
Nevada: Fort Mohave.....	1,939	7,756	0	7,756
Total, lower basin.....	136,636	546,544	223,566	322,978

MR. ASPINALL. Mr. Secretary, my only question with respect to pumped hydroelectric plans is whether or not the Department is continuing its studies on this possibility as a means of financing augmentation; if so, what is the present status of those studies?

MR. DOMINY. We have no concrete proposal on this, Mr. Chairman. We have made some reconnaissance studies of potentials.

The potentials at Lake Mojave appear to be the most promising as a major source of peaking capacity.

MR. ASPINALL. Mr. Secretary, one reason I wanted a statement from you on the operation of this river under section 602 of the legislation is to determine how important you consider the requirement of consultation and cooperation with the States in establishing the operating criteria and implementing them. It is, after all, the States of the upper basin who have entered into a compact to release certain amounts of water to the lower basin States. The Secretary's responsibility is to operate the works on the river in accordance with this compact and the other compacts, contracts, and so forth, which make up the law of the river.

I feel very strongly that there must be very close consultation with the States and the Upper Colorado River Commission which represents the upper basin States with respect to how the compact provisions and the provisions of section 602 are to be administered.

It is my assumption that the criteria established pursuant to section 602 will go into effect not later than July 1, 1970, the date set out in the bill, and at that time, the filling criteria which are now in effect will be terminated.

Do you agree with this assumption?

SECRETARY UDALL. Let me say, Mr. Chairman, we are going to need increasingly close consultation on all these matters. We are operating a river which is a life line of the region and which will be governed by criteria and provisions that Congress may write in regard to how we make management decisions. I think we are going to have to have a pattern operation that will involve increasingly close cooperation.

MR. ASPINALL. Let me say, Mr. Secretary, so that the record will be clear, does the Secretary consider that this is the final determination