

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING
BETWEEN THE GEOLOGICAL SURVEY AND
THE BUREAU OF RECLAMATION
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
RELATING TO PROCEDURES FOR COOPERATION ON
EXCHANGE OF AVAILABLE GEOLOGIC INFORMATION

This MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING made this 30th day of January 1978, by and between the BUREAU OF RECLAMATION, UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR, hereinafter referred to as BUREAU, acting pursuant to the Act of June 30, 1932 (47 Stat. 417), and the Act of June 17, 1902 (32 Stat. 388), and acts amendatory thereof and supplementary thereto, and the GEOLOGICAL SURVEY, UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR, hereinafter referred to as SURVEY.

.. PURPOSE

The purpose of this memorandum is to establish procedures whereby:

- A. The Survey provides the Bureau with its existing information and results of research and investigations of regional and local geology, seismology, and hydrology that are relevant to site selection and design consideration for Bureau facilities.
- B. The Survey advises the Bureau on geologic, seismologic, and hydrologic processes where Survey expertise is well developed, and under certain circumstances, and as mutually agreed upon, advises the Bureau on referred aspects of specific site problems.
- C. The Bureau provides the Survey with specific geologic, seismologic and hydrologic data developed from Bureau site studies.

D. The Bureau will notify the Survey when a site review is to take place and invite the Survey to send a representative for that review. The Survey's representative will serve as a technical adviser to the Bureau. Attendance by the Survey will not imply formal approval or endorsement of the site or structure.

E. Each agency will supply the other with the status of proposed investigations that may be relevant to the interests of each agency.

.. COORDINATION

Coordination of the overall program of informational interchange will be through the Chief, Division of Geology, Bureau of Reclamation, Denver, Colorado, and the Coordinator for Site Evaluation, Geological Survey.

. COOPERATION

This memorandum of understanding shall not preclude the informal interchange of information between individuals of the agencies or participation in other meetings involving the interest of either agency.

CONTRACTUAL INVESTIGATIONS

This memorandum of understanding does not supersede existing contractual agreements between the Bureau and Survey.

II. INFORMATION

A. The Survey will provide in a timely manner its available information and status of investigations in process which are relevant to Bureau projects. The Survey may advise the Bureau concerning appropriate field investigations to aid in resolving geologic, seismologic, and hydrologic problems in regions where existing data are inadequate for such resolution.

B. The Bureau will provide in a timely manner the status of site studies in process, and the available geologic, seismologic, and hydrologic information resulting from these studies that are relevant to regional or local considerations by the Survey. The Bureau will also arrange, through mutual agreement, for any access by Survey personnel to its field exploration and construction sites.

C. The appropriate Regional Director for the Bureau will notify the Survey in writing when planning studies for a new site are to be undertaken or when planning studies are to be reinitiated on a dormant project and invite a response from the Survey. The Bureau will specify the location of interest and identify specific geologic, seismologic, and hydrologic considerations.

REIMBURSEMENT

The Bureau will reimburse the Survey for costs incurred in half, and at the request of, the Bureau in obtaining, duplicating, transmitting, or presenting information and r visitations performed in accordance with this agreement.

UNITED STATES GEOLOGICAL SURVEY

By W.A. Renshaw

Acting Director

UNITED STATES BUREAU OF RECLAMATION

By R. V. H. [Signature]
Commissioner