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AECOM -- SENIOR MANAGER, NORTH AMERICA WATER BUSINESS LINE, FEDERAL/STATE MARKET

Water Resources Business Line Principal. Water resources business development responsibility for North America with focus on Federal and State market sectors.

Responsible for programs related to design and construction of water resources for broad areas of water and power resources, engineering (civil, geotechnical, electrical, and mechanical), dams, hydropower, levees, and environmental compliance. Responsible for Project Management and QA/QC on large water resources projects.

US BUREAU OF RECLAMATION – SENIOR EXECUTIVE

Thirty two years of experience in water resources development and management in a variety of technical, operational, managerial, and executive positions with the U.S. Bureau of Reclamation, an organization of 5000 employees. Experience includes 12 years as a Senior Executive in Washington DC and Denver CO.

In-depth knowledge of water and natural resources management. Experience in program development, program management, budget formulation, environmental compliance, and construction management. Extensive experience in building consensus among groups with conflicting interests

Executive and management responsibility for programs related to technical policy implementation, water resources management support, and technical capabilities for broad program areas of water and power resources management, electric reliability compliance, renewable energy, engineering (civil, geotechnical, electrical, and mechanical), dam safety, environmental sciences, research, advanced water treatment, desalination, new technology development, and laboratory sciences.

Dealt extensively with water rights, interstate water compacts, hydropower, dam safety, water reuse, and project operations issues throughout the West, particularly in the Rio Grande and Colorado River basins.

As a government executive, provided leadership to large organizational units with responsibility for agency-wide policy development, program and budget formulation, program execution, project operations, environmental compliance, planning studies, and litigation management.

Worked extensively with a wide array of parties, including elected and appointed government officials; federal, state, and local government agencies; Tribal governments; water user organizations; and environmental groups.

Testified numerous times before the U.S. Congress, and Compact Commissioners.

Served on the Whitehouse Subcommittee on Water Availability and Quality (SWAQ). SWAQ is part of the National Science and Technology Council's (NSTC) Committee on the Environment and Natural Resources (CENR). The group consists of representatives from several Federal Agencies including: Interior, Agriculture, EPA, Commerce, Defense, Energy, HHS, State, NASA, and the Executive Office of the President. SWAQ advises and assists CENR and NSTC on policies, procedures, plans, issues, scientific developments, and research needs related to the availability and quality of water resources of the United States.

Served as Chairman and the Secretary of the Interior's Designee on the Adaptive Management Work Group (AMWG). The AMWG is a collaborative process that consists of 25 stakeholders that include high-level members from each of the seven basin states, four DOI agencies, three power user groups, four Native American Tribes, recreation groups, and environmental groups.

The AMWG makes Glen Canyon Dam operational recommendations to the Secretary.

Holds a B.S. in Civil Engineering, University of New Mexico, an A.A. degree in Water Technology/Utilities, New Mexico State University, and is a graduate of the Executive Leadership Program, Harvard University's John F. Kennedy School of Government.

Fluent in Spanish.