

**PART 429—PROCEDURE TO PROCESS AND RECOVER THE VALUE OF RIGHTS-OF-USE AND ADMINISTRATIVE COSTS INCURRED IN PERMITTING SUCH USE**

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**§ 429.1 Purpose.**

The purpose of this part is to meet the requirements of the Independent Offices Appropriation Act (31 U.S.C. 483a) and Departmental Manual Part 346, Chapters 1.6 and 4.10, to set forth procedures for the Bureau of Reclamation (Reclamation) to recover the value of rights-of-use interests granted to applicants, and for the collection of administrative costs associated with the issuing of rights-of-use over lands administered by Reclamation. This part also refers to costs incurred by Reclamation when, at the request of other agencies and parties, Reclamation gives aid and assistance in rights-of-use matters.

These regulations apply to uses of lands and interests in land under the jurisdiction of Reclamation granted to others by the Commissioner of the Bureau of Reclamation. Those interests issued or granted for the replacement or relocation of facilities belonging to others under section 14 of the Reclama-

tion Project Act of August 4, 1939, 43 U.S.C. 389 are excepted.

**§ 429.2 Definitions.**

As used in this part:

(a) *Commissioner* means the Commissioner of the Bureau of Reclamation or his designated representative.

(b) *Reclamation* means the Bureau of Reclamation.

(c) *Regional Director* means any one of the seven representatives of the Commissioner designated to act for the Commissioner in specified rights-of-use of actions. The Regional Directors may redelegate certain of their authorities for granting rights-of-use to the supervising heads of field offices.

(d) *Rights-of-use* includes rights-of-way, easements, leases, permits, licenses, or agreements issued or granted by the Regional Directors to permit the occupying, using, or traversing of lands under the jurisdiction, administration or management of the Bureau of Reclamation, and issued under the authority granted to him for the purpose. The term "rights-of-use" does not include the leasing of land in the custody or under the control of Reclamation for grazing, agriculture, or any other purpose where a greater return will be realized by the United States through a competitive bidding process.

(e) *Other agencies or others* means all Federal, State, private individuals, partnerships, firms or corporations, and local governments agencies not connected in any way with Reclamation, that request rights-of-use either directly or indirectly from Reclamation.

(f) *Rights-of-use assistance* means any assistance to obtain a use authorization given upon request to another party. Such assistance includes, but is not limited to, work in the processing of environmental requirements and the preparing, checking, and inspecting of engineering data and standards.

(g) *Value of rights-of-use* means the value of the rights, privileges, and interests granted by Reclamation for the use of land under its custody and control, as determined by an appraisal by a qualified appraiser using approved methods, in accordance with § 429.3 of this part.