

Santa Clara Project Agreement, or the Settlement Agreement does not constitute major Federal action under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (42 U.S.C. 4321 et seq.).

(b) OTHER REQUIREMENTS.—The Secretary shall comply with all aspects of the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (42 U.S.C. 4321 et seq.), and other applicable environmental laws in implementing the terms of the St. George Water Reuse Agreement, the Santa Clara Project Agreement, the Settlement Agreement, and this Act.

#### SEC. 13. MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS.

(a) OTHER INDIAN TRIBES.—Nothing in the Settlement Agreement or this Act shall be construed in any way to quantify or otherwise adversely affect the land and water rights, claims, or entitlements to water of any Indian tribe, pueblo, or community, other than the Shivwits Band and the Paiute Indian Tribe of Utah acting on behalf of the Shivwits Band.

(b) PRECEDENT.—Nothing in this Act shall be construed or interpreted as a precedent for the litigation of reserved water rights or the interpretation or administration of future water settlement Acts.

(c) WAIVER OF SOVEREIGN IMMUNITY.—Except to the extent provided in subsections (a), (b), and (c) of section 208 of the Department of Justice Appropriation Act, 1953 (43 U.S.C. 666), nothing in this Act may be construed to waive the sovereign immunity of the United States. Furthermore, the submission of any portion of the Settlement Agreement to the District Court in the Virgin River Adjudication shall not expand State court jurisdiction or expand in any manner the waiver of sovereign immunity of the United States in section 666 of title 43, United States Code, or any other provision of Federal law.

(d) APPRAISALS.—Notwithstanding any other law to the contrary, the Secretary is authorized to approve any right-of-way appraisal which has been completed in accordance with the provisions of the Santa Clara Project Agreement.

#### SEC. 14. EFFECTIVE DATE.

(a) IN GENERAL.—The waiver and release contained in section 9(b) of this Act shall become effective as of the date the Secretary causes to be published in the Federal Register a statement of findings that—

(1) the funds authorized by sections 11(b) and 11(c) have been appropriated and deposited into the Trust Fund;

(2) the funds authorized by section 10(f) have been appropriated;

(3) the St. George Water Reuse Project Agreement has been modified to the extent it is in conflict with this Act and is effective and enforceable according to its terms;

(4) the Santa Clara Project Agreement has been modified to the extent it is in conflict with this Act and is effective and enforceable according to its terms;

(5) the Settlement Agreement has been modified to the extent it is in conflict with this Act and is effective and enforceable according to its terms;

(6) the State Engineer of Utah has taken all actions and approved all applications necessary to implement the provisions of the St. George Water Reuse Agreement, the Santa Clara