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**EXPLANATION OF MATERIAL TRANSMITTED:**

This chapter establishes regional policy for the management of the Rocky Mountain Region Irrigation Projects, to ensure the safe, reliable and efficient administration, operation, and maintenance of irrigations projects and services.



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**FILING INSTRUCTIONS:**

Remove: None

Insert: 50 IAM 1-RM (New)

- 1.1 Purpose.** To establish Regional policy for the management of the Rocky Mountain Region Irrigation Projects.
- 1.2 Scope.** This policy applies to BIA Irrigation Projects within the Rocky Mountain Region.
- 1.3 Policy.** The BIA irrigation projects at Blackfeet, Crow, Fort Belknap, Fort Peck and Wind River will report directly to the Regional Branch of Water Resources, to ensure the safe reliable and efficient administration, operation, and maintenance of irrigations projects and services.
- 1.4 Authority.**
- A. 25 CFR Part 171, Irrigation Operation and Maintenance
  - B. 50 IAM 1 Irrigation
- 1.5 Agency – Irrigation Project Interactions**
- A. Acquisitions**
- 1. Charge Card – Irrigation staff will prepare documentation required for purchase. Agency Budget/Administrative Officer and Property staff will provide appropriate reviews for concurrence.
  - 2. Other acquisitions – Irrigation staff will prepare documentation required for purchase and enter the documentation into the acquisition system (currently IDEAS). Regional Budget and Property staff will provide appropriate reviews for concurrence.
  - 3. Receiving Official – Irrigation project manager will designate receiving officials for their project.
- B. Property.** The Irrigation Project Manger is responsible for all irrigation project property and will coordinate with the Agency Property staff as needed.
- 1.6 Responsibilities.**
- A. Water Resources Officer (Chief, Branch of Water Resources)** is designated as the Officer-in-Charge for each irrigation project. This designation may be delegated to the Regional Irrigation Engineer or the Project Manager. The Water Resources Officer also exercises Line Authority for all Irrigation Project activities.