PRESENTATION OF THE BUREAU OF RECLAMATION'S CITIZEN AWARD

Gilbert G. Stamm

Stephen E. Reynolds, State Engineer of New Mexico, was presented the Bureau of Reclamation's Citizen Award by the Commissioner of Reclamation Gilbert G. Stamm at the New Mexico Water Conference on the campus of New Mexico State University in Las Cruces. "Mr. Reynolds has provided outstanding leadership and counsel in the support of sound water development projects throughout the State of New Mexico, and his efforts have greatly assisted in the progress of his State," said Stamm. "It is this dedication that prompted presentation of the Bureau's Citizen Award to Mr. Reynolds," the Commissioner added.

The award recognizes beneficial contributions provided by private and public citizens in the interest of achieving Bureau of Reclamation objectives and programs for water resource development. Commissioner Stamm presented the award consisting of a certificate and plaque.

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Reynolds has served as State Engineer since 1955. He is secretary to the New Mexico Interstate Stream Commission, New Mexico Commissioner to the La Plata River Compact, the Canadian River Compact, and the Rio Grande Compact Commissions, and is also an engineering advisor to the Pecos River and the Upper Colorado River Commissions. He has been a consultant to the President's Advisory Committee on Weather Modification and a member of the National Science Foundation's Panel on Weather Modification as well as chairman of the United States Panel of Scientists and Engineers.

Mr. Reynolds has supported many Bureau of Reclamation projects including Navajo Dam, Hammond Project, and the Rio Grande Project rehabilitation and betterment and often has helped secure appropriations for construction. He has been very active in seeking authorization and funding for other projects such as Navajo Indian Irrigation, San Juan-Chama, Pecos River Basin Water Salvage, Brantley Dam, Hooker Dam as part of the Central Arizona Project, Animas-La Plata, and the Colorado River Salinity Study.

Commissioner Stamm said, "It is only with the assistance, knowledge, and perseverance of public citizens such as Steve Reynolds that Reclamation is able to accomplish its missions and goals. I commend him for his dedication to the people of New Mexico and the nation."