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## **New Attorney Hired for the Office of the State Engineer**

**(SANTA FE, New Mexico)** – The New Mexico State Engineer has recently hired a new attorney to work on the Pecos adjudication.

**Cynthia Sully** has worked as an attorney for over thirty years in California, Arizona, Nevada and New Mexico. She has practiced law as a prosecutor, public defender, assistant appellate defender, as well as with dealing with general civil and criminal litigation.

“Sully’s extensive legal experience will be a great asset to have working on issues affecting the litigation and adjudication program in the Pecos region,” said State Engineer John D’Antonio.

She earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in 1973 from the University of Davis in Davis, California. In 1976, she earned a law degree from the McGeorge School of Law at the University of the Pacific in Sacramento, California.

The Office of the State Engineer is charged with administering the state’s water resources. The State Engineer has power over the supervision, measurement, appropriation, and distribution of all surface and groundwater in New Mexico, including streams and rivers that cross state boundaries. The State Engineer is also Secretary of the Interstate Stream Commission and oversees its staff.

The nine-member Interstate Stream Commission is charged with separate duties including protecting New Mexico’s right to water under eight interstate stream compacts, ensuring the state complies with each of those compacts, as well as water planning.

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