

withdrawals or termination of such contracts. However, no contracts will be entered into if the total contiguous acreage is less than 40 acres.

**§ 171.20 Water users' ledgers.**

(a) Water users' ledgers will be maintained by the Officer-in-Charge on all irrigation projects or units where irrigation assessments are levied and collected. Separate entries shall be made in the ledger for each farm tract, and bills issued to the owner or owners of record. When payment is received, it will be credited to the proper ledger account.

(b) When Indian trust or restricted land is leased and the Officer-in-Charge has been so advised by the Superintendent, irrigation bills will be submitted to the lessee. Upon receipt of payment, it will be credited to the Indian owner or owners of record in the ledger account.

(c) On those projects where irrigation districts have been formed and have executed repayment contracts, irrigation bills will be rendered to the district. When payment is received, it will be credited to the proper ledger accounts.

**§ 171.21 Health and sanitation.**

Use of Government storage reservoirs, canals, laterals or drains for disposal of sewage and trash shall not be permitted under any circumstances. If such conditions occur, and project forces are unable to correct them, the Officer-in-Charge shall request the Area Director to arrange for the necessary legal action.

**§ 171.22 Complaints.**

All complaints must be made in writing to the Project Engineer or the Officer-in-Charge of the project.

**§ 171.23 Disputes.**

In case of a dispute between a water user and the Project Engineer or Officer-in-Charge of the project concerning the application of the regulations of this part or a decision rendered by such official, the water user within 30 days may appeal to the Area Director. Further appeals may be made to the Commissioner of Indian Affairs pursuant to part 2 of this chapter.

**PART 172—PUEBLO INDIAN LANDS BENEFITED BY IRRIGATION AND DRAINAGE WORKS OF MIDDLE RIO GRANDE CONSERVANCY DISTRICT, NEW MEXICO**

AUTHORITY: 45 Stat. 312.

**§ 172.1 Acreage designated.**

Pursuant to the provisions of the act of March 13, 1928 (45 Stat. 312) the contract executed between the Middle Rio Grande Conservancy District of New Mexico and the United States under date of December 14, 1928, the official plan approved pursuant thereto, as modified, and the terms of section 24 of a contract between said parties dated September 4, 1936, dealing among other things with the payment of operation and maintenance and betterment assessments by the United States to the District, and section 24 of a similar contract dated April 8, 1938 executed by the representative of the United States, on this date, it is found that a total of 20,242.05 acres of Pueblo Indian lands of the Pueblos of Cochiti, Santo Domingo, San Felipe, Santa Ana, Sandia and Isleta is susceptible of economic irrigation and cultivation and is materially benefited by the works constructed by said District. This acreage is designated as follows:

Lands with recognized water rights not subject to operation and maintenance or betterment charges by the District and designated as "now irrigated"—8,847

Lands classified as "newly reclaimed" lands (exclusive of the purchased area)—11,074.4

Lands classified as newly reclaimed lands (the area recently purchased)—320.65

Total irrigable area materially benefited—20,242.05

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**PART 173—CONCESSIONS, PERMITS AND LEASES ON LANDS WITHDRAWN OR ACQUIRED IN CONNECTION WITH INDIAN IRRIGATION PROJECTS**

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