

**Department of the Interior Highlights
of Senate Full Committee Action on the
Fiscal Year 2011 Energy and Water Development Appropriations Bills**

The Senate Full Appropriations Committee reported its bill on July 22, following the Energy and Water Development Subcommittee's 2011 markup on July 20. The Senate bill provides a \$25.0 million increase over the President's request for Reclamation. It is not known when the full Senate will take up the bill.

The House Subcommittee reported its bill out of the Subcommittee on July 15, providing funding for Reclamation and CUPCA at the President's request level. Few other details are available. It is not known when the House Appropriations Committee or the full House will take up its bill.

Funding Overview

The Senate Appropriations Committee includes \$35.1 billion for agencies funded under the bill, including the Army Corps of Engineers, the Department of Energy, the Interior's Bureau of Reclamation and Central Utah Project Completion Act, and other independent agencies. This total reflects a decrease of \$804.6 million from the President's budget request. The bill includes \$1.1 billion for the Bureau of Reclamation and Central Utah Project, an increase of \$25.0 million above the President's budget request. All of the increase is for Reclamation.

Highlights of Committee action for Interior's programs include the following:

Bureau of Reclamation

(\$000s)	2010	2011	Senate	Senate+/-	Senate+/-
	<u>Enacted *</u>	<u>Pres. Bud</u>	<u>Committee</u>	<u>10 Enacted</u>	<u>Pres. Bud</u>
Water & Related Resources	951,158	913,582	938,600	-12,558	+25,018
Policy and Administration	61,200	61,200	61,200	0	0
California Bay-Delta Restoration	40,000	40,000	40,000	0	0
Central Valley Project Restoration Fund	35,358	49,915	49,915	+14,557	0
Total -- Current Authority	1,087,716	1,064,697	1,089,715	+1,999	+25,018

* Excludes \$10 million in drought emergency funding from the Supplemental Appropriations Act of 2010 (P.L. 111-212)

The Senate Committee funds Reclamation at \$1.1 billion, which is \$2.0 million above the 2010 enacted level and \$25.0 million above the President's budget.

Water & Related Resources Account: The Senate Committee funds this account at \$938.6 million, \$12.6 million below the 2010 enacted level and \$25.0 million above the President's budget.

The Committee funds the following key projects at the 2011 President's budget request level:

- Animas La Plata: \$12.5 million, \$37.1 million below 2010 enacted
- Arkansas Valley Conduit: \$3.0 million, \$2.0 million below 2010 enacted

- Colorado River Basin, Central Arizona Project: \$9.4 million, \$8.0 million below 2010 enacted
- Colorado River Storage Project: \$12.7 million, \$2.1 million above 2010 enacted
- ESA Conservation/Recovery: \$41.7 million, \$6.7 million above 2010 enacted
- Fryingpan-Arkansas Project: \$8.8 million, \$521,000 above 2010 enacted
- Klamath: \$22.5 million, \$1.3 million below 2010 enacted
- Klamath sedimentation (dam removal) studies: \$5.0 million, \$3.1 million above 2010 enacted
- Land Resources Management: \$10.7 million, \$2.4 million above 2010 enacted
- Leadville/Arkansas River recovery Project: \$6.7 million, \$3.8 million above 2010 enacted
- Lower Colorado River Operation: \$25.3 million, \$4.6 million above 2010 enacted
- Minidoka Area Projects: \$5.2 million. \$1.6 million below 2010 enacted
- Native American Programs: \$32.8 million, \$2.6 million above 2010 enacted
- Pick-Sloan Missouri Basin: \$40.4 million, \$2.4 million above 2010 enacted
- Safety of Dams: \$95.2 million, \$2.6 million below 2010 enacted
- Site Security: \$30.3 million, \$2.5 million above 2010 enacted

Key projects which the Committees funded at levels different than the President's budget request:

- Central Valley Project: \$182.6 million, \$48.8 million above 2010 enacted and \$10.9 million above the President's budget.
- Rural Water Projects: \$96.4 million, \$12.0 million below 2010 enacted and \$34.4 million above the President's budget. Funds within the program are allocated as follows:

(\$000s)					
Project*	2010	2011	Senate	Senate +/-	Senate +/-
	Enacted	Pres. Bud	Committee	2010 Enacted	Pres. Bud
Eastern NM Water Supply - Ute	1,000	0	2,000	+1,000	+2,000
Fort Peck	8,000	2,000	6,000	-2,000	+4,000
Jicarilla	3,000	500	500	-2,500	0
Lewis and Clark	10,000	2,000	10,000	0	+8,000
Mni Wiconi	32,200	27,480	30,480	-1,720	+3,000
Pick Sloan (Garrison)	44,200	28,020	41,469	-2,731	+13,449
Rocky Boys/N. Central MT	9,000	1,000	5,000	-4,000	+4,000
Perkins City	1,000	1,000	1,000	0	0
Total, Rural Water Projects	108,400	62,000	96,449	-11,951	+34,449

* Amounts are only for the rural water components of these projects.

- WaterSMART: \$50.1 million, \$15.5 million above 2010 enacted and \$11.9 million below the President's budget. Funds within the program are allocated as follows:

Program/Project	2010	2011	Senate	Senate +/-	Senate +/-
	Enacted	Pres. Bud	Committee	2010 Enacted	Pres. Bud
Basin Studies	3,000	6,000	4,000	+1,000	-2,000
WaterSMART Grants	18,000	27,000	20,000	+2,000	-7,000
Title XVI Water Reclamation and Reuse Program	13,595	29,000	26,100	+12,505	-2,900
Total, WaterSMART	34,595	62,000	50,100	+15,505	-11,900

- Yakima River Basin: \$24.9 million, \$5.5 million above 2010 enacted and \$4.0 million above the President's budget.

Projects funded by the Committee that were not in the President's budget:

The Committee funded a number of projects that were not requested in the President's budget. Listed below are those projects with funding levels of at least \$1.0 million.

- All American Canal- Imperial Dam Electrification Rehabilitation: \$1.0 million, not funded in 2010.
- Bay Area Regional Water project: \$1.6 million, \$385,000 above 2010 enacted
- Eastern New Mexico Water Supply: \$2.0 million, \$1.0 million above 2010 enacted
- North Las Vegas Water Reuse: \$3.0 million, \$1.0 million above 2010 enacted
- Odessa Subarea Special Study: \$1.3 million, \$1.6 million below 2010 enacted
- Round Rock Reclaimed Water Project: \$2.0 million: not funded in 2010
- Wallowa Lake Dam Rehabilitation and Water Management: \$1.0 million, not funded in 2010

CALFED: The Committee funds the California Bay-Delta Restoration program at \$40.0 million, the same as 2010 enacted and the same as the President's budget.

(\$000s)	2010	2011	Senate	Senate +/-	Senate +/-
	Enacted *	Pres. Bud	Senate	2010 Enacted	Pres. Bud
Water Use Efficiency	3,500	7,500	7,500	+4,000	0
Water Quality	4,750	5,000	5,000	+250	0
Storage	3,600	5,000	5,000	+1,400	0
Conveyance	14,450	3,500	3,500	-10,950	0
Ecosystem Restoration	7,500	8,500	8,500	+1,000	0
Science	4,500	8,500	8,500	+4,000	0
Planning & Management	1,700	2,000	2,000	+300	0
Total	40,000	40,000	40,000	0	0

Other Accounts: The Committee funds the Central Valley Project Restoration Fund at \$49.9 million, \$14.6 million above 2010 enacted and the same as the President’s budget. The increase for this account does not represent an intent to increase funding in future years, but rather is a result of a statutory requirement that calculates funding levels based on a three-year rolling average. The increase is fully offset by discretionary receipts that are also based on the three-year rolling average calculation.

The Committee funds the Policy and Administration account at \$61.2 million, the same as 2010 enacted and the same as the President’s budget.

Other Bill/Report Language

In addition to that already described, the bill or report includes the following:

Interceptor drain for the San Luis Unit: Consistent with prior years, the Committee states that none of the funds may be used to determine the final point of discharge for the interceptor drain for the San Luis Unit, until development of a plan by the Secretary and the State of California, which shall conform to the water quality standards of California as approved by the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency.

Costs of the Kesterson Reservoir Cleanup Program and San Joaquin Valley Drainage Program: Consistent with prior years, the Committee states that the costs of these programs shall be classified by the Secretary as reimbursable or nonreimbursable and collected until fully repaid pursuant to the “Cleanup Program-Alternative Repayment Plan” and the “SJVDP-Alternative Repayment Plan” described in the report “Repayment Report, Kesterson Reservoir Cleanup Program and San Joaquin Valley Drainage Program, February 1995.” It further directs that any future obligations of funds by the U.S. regarding drainage services or studies for the San Luis Unit shall be fully reimbursable by San Luis Unit beneficiaries.

Desert Terminal Lakes: The Senate Committee directs the use of \$66.8 million of existing funds to be transferred to various entities within California and Nevada, including BIA, (\$11.3 million) EPA (\$3.1 million), Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe (\$19.2 million), USFWS (\$8.5 million), and other cities, tribes and entities to address water issues.

Underfinancing: The Senate Committee provided a reduction (to account for schedule slippages, accelerations or other unforeseen conditions) in the amount of \$25.3 million to be uniformly distributed across all projects, within the Water and Related Resources account.

Central Utah Project Completion Act

\$000	2011 +/-			2011 +/-	
	<u>2010 Enacted</u>	<u>2011 Pres. Bud</u>	<u>Senate</u>	<u>2010 Enacted</u>	<u>2011 Pres. Bud</u>
CUPCA Total	42,004	43,004	43,004	+1,000	0

The Committee funds the Central Utah Project Completion Act at \$43.0 million, \$1.0 million more than 2010 enacted and the same as the President’s budget.