



**CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE
COST ESTIMATE**

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**H.R. 5110
Casa Grande Ruins National Monument Boundary
Modification Act of 2010**

As ordered reported by the House Committee on Natural Resources on July 22, 2010

H.R. 5110 would authorize the Department of the Interior (DOI) to expand the boundary of the Casa Grande Ruins National Monument in Arizona by 417 acres. The bill also would authorize DOI to conduct a study to identify other potential adjustments to the boundary. CBO estimates that implementing H.R. 5110 would cost \$7 million over the 2011-2015 period, assuming appropriation of the necessary amounts. Enacting this legislation would not affect direct spending or revenues; therefore, pay-as-you-go procedures do not apply.

H.R. 5110 contains no intergovernmental or private-sector mandates as defined in the Unfunded Mandates Reform Act and would impose no costs on state, local, or tribal governments.

Under the bill, DOI would be authorized to acquire 417 acres of land through donation, exchange, or purchase (using donated or appropriated funds) to expand the boundary of the monument. About 205 acres of that land is owned by private entities, of which CBO expects roughly two-thirds would be acquired through purchase. About 200 acres of land is owned by the state of Arizona and would most likely be jointly administered by the state and the federal government (as authorized by the bill) over the next few years. Other land that would be added to the monument is currently administered by the Bureau of Land Management and the Bureau of Indian Affairs. The legislation would transfer administrative jurisdiction of that land to the National Park Service. Based on information from DOI, CBO estimates that land acquisition costs would total \$6 million; however, actual costs would vary depending on the amount of land acquired by exchange or donation and market conditions at the time of any purchase.

H.R. 5110 also would direct DOI to report to the Congress within three years whether other pieces of land should be included within the monument boundary. Based on information from DOI, CBO estimates that the cost of this study, as well as the cost of administering land acquired under the bill, would total about \$1 million over the next five years.

The CBO staff contact for this estimate is Daniel Hoople. The estimate was approved by Theresa Gullo, Deputy Assistant Director for Budget Analysis.