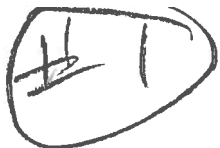


AMENDMENTS ADOPTED TO THE
ENERGY AND WATER APPROPRIATIONS BILL
FOR FY 2016

Full Committee Markup
House Appropriations Committee
Wednesday, April 22, 2015



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HOUSE APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE

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FY16 Energy and Water Development Appropriations Bill

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Manager's Amendment

In the Report:

On page 58, in the appropriate place insert the following:

Navigation safety and efficiency.—Modifications to deep draft high commercial use channels, including bends and entrances, are sometimes necessary to ensure safety of navigation and efficient operations. The Corps is strongly encouraged to use existing authorities, such as 33 U.S.C. 562, or to make recommendations for appropriate new or modified authorizations to address such safety and efficiency issues in a timely manner.

On page 74, after the end of the second paragraph, insert the following:

Water Supply Authorities.—Reclamation is directed to submit to the Committees on Appropriations of both

Houses of Congress not later than 180 days after the enactment of this Act a report detailing the authorizations (including specific statutory citations) currently available to provide additional water supply to drought prone areas; an assessment of opportunities to accelerate actions to provide water supply; and research and development investments that could expand or maximize existing supplies through water quality improvements such as addressing Colorado River Salinity or impaired water.

On page 103, in the fourth paragraph insert “Hispanic Serving Institutions (HSI) and” before “Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCUs)”.

On page 116, under the heading “Academic Alliances and Partnerships” insert “ and Hispanic Serving Institutions (HSI)” after “Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCUs)”.

On page 122, under the heading “Nonproliferation Construction” strike “The Committee is awaiting a report on the independently-verified life cycle cost estimates for the MOX and downblending alternatives that would meet U.S. commitments under the Plutonium

Management Disposition Agreement.” and insert the following:

The Department has conducted further analysis of the comparative costs of the MOX and downblending alternatives to dispose of surplus U.S. plutonium. While the costs of constructing the MOX facility appear to be conservatively estimated, that analysis does not provide a full accounting of the lifecycle costs for the alternative option to downblend and dispose of the material at the Waste Isolation Pilot Plant (WIPP) or another disposal facility. For instance, the Department’s analysis does not account for the costs of operating and emplacing waste in WIPP for another twenty years beyond its current closure date of 2030. In addition, the Department estimates that, if authorized, the Department would need significant funding above the budget request to cancel the MOX project and pursue the downblending alternative in fiscal year 2016. Considering the high near-term costs of either option, more accurate information on the full costs of the downblending option must be developed before such an alternative should be pursued. The Department is directed to conduct a comprehensive programmatic analysis of the full costs of downblending and disposing surplus U.S. plutonium at WIPP or another disposal facility and to provide a report on its findings to

the Committees on Appropriations of both Houses of Congress not less than 18 months after the enactment of this Act.

On page 175, in the first paragraph insert “in fiscal year 2016” after “quarterly”

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**AMENDMENT TO ENERGY AND WATER
DEVELOPMENT BILL
OFFERED BY MR. SIMPSON OF IDAHO**

Page 20, line 12, increase the dollar amount by \$27,500,000 (and revise the Committee Report to reflect an increase of \$10,000,000 for Smart Grid Research and Development, \$7,500,000 for Cybersecurity for Energy Delivery Systems, and \$10,000,000 for Transformer Resilience and Advanced Components).

Page 50, line 24, reduce the dollar amount by \$50,000,000.

Page 51, line 1, reduce the dollar amount by \$25,000,000.

Page 51, line 12, reduce the dollar amount by \$22,500,000.

Page 51, line 19, reduce the dollar amount by \$27,500,000.

In the Committee Report, revise the second paragraph on page 174, beginning with the third sentence, to read "The fiscal year 2016 recommendation accelerates the 'right-sizing' proposed by the Project AIM report and

provides \$25,000,000 for the adjudication of the Yucca Mountain license application. The Committee directs that NRC apply any reduction in available resources to corporate support.”.



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**AMENDMENT TO ENERGY AND WATER
DEVELOPMENT APPROPRIATIONS BILL
OFFERED BY MR. VALADAO OF CALIFORNIA**

At the appropriate place, insert the following:

1 SEC. _____. The Secretary of the Interior, acting
2 through the Commissioner of Reclamation, shall—

3 (1) complete the feasibility studies described in
4 clauses (i)(I) and (ii)(II) of section 103(d)(1)(A) of
5 Public Law 108-361 (118 Stat. 1684) and submit
6 such studies to the appropriate committees of the
7 House of Representatives and the Senate not later
8 than December 31, 2015;

9 (2) complete the feasibility studies described in
10 clauses (i)(II) and (ii)(I) of section 103(d)(1)(A) of
11 Public Law 108-361 and submit such studies to the
12 appropriate committees of the House of Representa-
13 tives and the Senate not later than November 30,
14 2016;

15 (3) complete the feasibility study described in
16 section 103(f)(1)(A) of Public Law 108-361 (118
17 Stat. 1694) and submit such study to the appro-
18 priate committees of the House of Representatives

1 and the Senate not later than December 31, 2017;
2 and
3 (4) provide a progress report on the status of
4 the feasibility studies referred to in paragraphs (1)
5 through (3) to the appropriate committees of the
6 House of Representatives and the Senate not later
7 than 90 days after the date of the enactment of this
8 Act and each 180 days thereafter until December
9 31, 2017, as applicable. The report shall include
10 timelines for study completion, draft environmental
11 impact statements, final environmental impact state-
12 ments, and Records of Decision.

On page 33 of the report, in the paragraph begin-
ning with “Continuing Authorities Program (CAP)”,
amend the last sentence to read as follows:

The management of the Continuing Authorities Pro-
gram should continue consistent with direction provided
in previous fiscal years, except that the Chief shall no
longer be required to submit annual reports on the back-
log of projects.

On page 75 of the report, under the heading “Calif-
ornia Bay-Delta Restoration”, amend the third para-
graph to read as follows:

The Committee notes that with the passage last year of California's Proposition 1, the California Water Commission is expected to begin in early 2017 allocating \$2,700,000,000 for the public benefits of water storage projects. To ensure that the CALFED water supply projects are able to compete for the available State funding, the bill includes a general provision directing the Bureau of Reclamation to complete each of these feasibility studies by a specific date and to submit the completed studies to the appropriate committees of both Houses of Congress. The language also requires periodic progress reports.

On page 76 of the report, insert at the appropriate place the following:

The bill includes a provision regarding completion of certain feasibility studies.



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**AMENDMENT TO ENERGY AND WATER
APPROPRIATIONS BILL
OFFERED BY MS. HERRERA BEUTLER OF
WASHINGTON**

In the Committee Report—

(1) on page 125, in the last paragraph, strike
“The Committee recommends \$2,190,711,00⁰,
\$37,711,000 above FY15 and \$67,126,000 below[^]
the budget request. Within this amount, the” and
insert “The”;

(2) on page 158, strike “Hanford site:”; and

(3) on page 159, strike the “Subtotal, Hanford
site” line.

