



**CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE
COST ESTIMATE**

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S. 263

Deschutes River Conservancy Reauthorization Act of 2007

*As ordered reported by the Senate Committee on Energy and Natural Resources
on January 31, 2007*

SUMMARY

S. 263 would authorize the appropriation of \$2 million a year over the 2007-2016 period for ecosystem restoration projects in the Deschutes River basin in Oregon. Assuming appropriation of the authorized amounts, CBO estimates that implementing S. 263 would cost \$7 million over the 2008-2012 period, with the remaining funds to be spent after 2012. Enacting the legislation would not affect direct spending or revenues.

S. 263 contains no intergovernmental or private-sector mandates as defined in the Unfunded Mandates Reform Act (UMRA). The bill would benefit local and tribal governments participating in the Deschutes River Conservancy by authorizing funds for restoration projects. Any costs to governmental entities, including matching funds, would result from complying with conditions for receiving federal assistance.

ESTIMATED COST TO THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT

For this estimate, CBO assumes that this bill will be enacted toward the end of 2007 and the amounts specified in S. 263 will be appropriated for each year. In addition, we assume that outlays will follow the historical spending pattern for similar activities. The estimated budgetary impact of S. 263 is shown in the following table. The costs of this legislation fall within budget function 300 (natural resources and environment).

	By Fiscal Year, in Millions of Dollars				
	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012
CHANGES TO SPENDING SUBJECT TO APPROPRIATION					
Authorization Level	2	2	2	2	2
Estimated Outlays	*	1	2	2	2
NOTE: * = Less than \$500,000.					

INTERGOVERNMENTAL AND PRIVATE-SECTOR IMPACT

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