



**CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE  
COST ESTIMATE**

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**H.R. 2522**

**A bill to raise the ceiling on the federal share of the cost  
of the Calleguas Municipal Water District Recycling Project,  
and for other purposes**

*As ordered reported by the House Committee on Natural Resources  
on September 10, 2009*

**SUMMARY**

H.R. 2522 would increase by \$40 million the authorization of appropriations for a water recycling project at the Calleguas Municipal Water District in California. The additional funding would enable the Bureau of Reclamation to complete a component of that project.

CBO estimates that appropriating an additional \$40 million for the Calleguas project would cost \$16 million over the 2010-2014 period and \$24 million after 2014. Enacting H.R. 2522 would not affect direct spending or revenues.

H.R. 2522 contains no intergovernmental or private-sector mandates as defined in the Unfunded Mandates Reform Act (UMRA) and would impose no costs on state, local, or tribal governments.

**ESTIMATED COST TO THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT**

The estimated budgetary impact of H.R. 2522 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					2010- 2014
	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	
<b>CHANGES IN SPENDING SUBJECT TO APPROPRIATION</b>						
Estimated Authorization Level	3	3	3	4	4	17
Estimated Outlays	2	3	3	4	4	16

## **BASIS OF ESTIMATE**

For this estimate, CBO assumes that H.R. 2522 will be enacted near the beginning of fiscal year 2010 and that the additional \$40 million authorized to be appropriated will be provided in roughly equal increments over the next 10 to 12 years. Estimated outlays are based on historical spending patterns for similar water resource projects.

The project was originally authorized in 1996 and in recent years has been funded at less than \$2 million annually. An additional \$5 million was provided in the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009. H.R. 2522 would increase the authorization of appropriation ceiling for the federal share of the Calleguas project from \$20 million to \$60 million. Based on information provided by the Bureau of Reclamation, CBO estimates that the total cost of constructing the next component of the multiphase Calleguas project, would be about \$220 million. The difference between the total project cost and the \$60 million to be provided by the bureau would be paid by local participants.

CBO estimates that the additional \$40 million authorized by the bill would be spent over the next 10 to 12 years—\$16 million over the 2010-2014 period and the remaining \$24 million after 2014.

## **INTERGOVERNMENTAL AND PRIVATE-SECTOR IMPACT**

H.R. 2522 contains no intergovernmental or private-sector mandates as defined in UMRA and would benefit the Calleguas Municipal Water District.

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