



CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE COST ESTIMATE

July 23, 2004

H.R. 3597

A bill to authorize the Secretary of the Interior, through the Bureau of Reclamation, to conduct a feasibility study on the Alder Creek water storage and conservation project in El Dorado County, California, and for other purposes.

As ordered reported by the House Committee on Resources on July 14, 2004

SUMMARY

H.R. 3597 would authorize the appropriation of \$3 million for a study to determine the feasibility of constructing a project on Alder Creek in California to store and provide water during dry years. The federal share of the cost of the study would not exceed 50 percent.

Assuming appropriation of the authorized amount, CBO estimates that implementing H.R. 3597 would cost \$3 million over the 2005-2006 period. Enacting this bill would not affect direct spending or revenues.

H.R. 3597 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. Any state or local government choosing to participate in this study would do so voluntarily.

ESTIMATED COST TO THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT

The estimated budgetary impact of H.R. 3597 is shown in the following table. The costs of this legislation fall within budget function 300 (natural resources and environment).

For this estimate, CBO assumes that H.R. 3596 will be enacted near the end of fiscal year 2004 and that the authorized amount will be appropriated in 2005. Based on historical spending patterns of similar projects, CBO estimates that implementing this bill would cost \$3 million over the 2005-2006 period.

	By Fiscal Year, in Millions of Dollars				
	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
CHANGES IN SPENDING SUBJECT TO APPROPRIATION					
Authorization Level	3	0	0	0	0
Estimated Outlays	2	1	0	0	0

INTERGOVERNMENTAL AND PRIVATE-SECTOR IMPACT

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