



**CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE
COST ESTIMATE**

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H.R. 2099

A bill to amend the Omnibus Parks and Public Lands Management Act of 1996 to provide adequate funding authorization for the Vancouver National Historic Reserve

As ordered reported by the House Committee on Resources on July 24, 2002

SUMMARY

H.R. 2099 would increase the authorization of appropriations for development of the Vancouver National Historic Reserve in the state of Washington from \$5 million to \$15 million. Assuming appropriation of the additional authorized amount, CBO estimates that implementing H.R. 2099 would cost the federal government \$9 million over the 2003-2007 period. The bill would not affect direct spending or receipts; therefore, pay-as-you-go procedures would not apply.

The bill 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. The state of Washington and the city of Vancouver might incur some costs to comply with the matching requirements established by this bill, but these costs would be voluntary.

ESTIMATED COST TO THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT

The estimated budgetary impact of H.R. 2099 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					
	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007
SPENDING SUBJECT TO APPROPRIATION						
Vancouver National Historic Reserve						
Spending Under Current Law						
Budget Authority ^a	2	0	0	0	0	0
Estimated Outlays	2	0	0	0	0	0
Proposed Changes						
Estimated Authorization Level	0	2	2	2	2	1
Estimated Outlays	0	2	2	2	2	1
Vancouver National Historic Reserve						
Spending Under H.R. 2099						
Authorization Level ^a	2	2	2	2	2	1
Estimated Outlays	2	2	2	2	2	1

a. The 2002 level is the amount appropriated for that year. (Initial appropriations of \$4 million were provided in previous years.)

BASIS OF ESTIMATE

For this estimate, CBO assumes that H.R. 2099 will be enacted near the start of fiscal year 2003 and that an additional \$9 million will be appropriated over the next five years for construction projects at the reserve. Because the existing authorization of \$5 million was exceeded by \$1 million in fiscal year 2002, the bill would authorize the appropriation of an additional \$9 million. For this estimate, we assume that the additional funds would be appropriated and spent in a manner similar to that of past funding for this project.

PAY-AS-YOU-GO CONSIDERATIONS: None.

INTERGOVERNMENTAL AND PRIVATE-SECTOR IMPACT

The bill contains no intergovernmental or private-sector mandates as defined in UMRA and would impose no costs on state, local, or tribal governments. The state of Washington and the city of Vancouver might incur some costs to comply with the matching requirements established by this bill, but these costs would be voluntary.

PREVIOUS CBO ESTIMATE

On June 24, 2002, CBO transmitted a cost estimate for S. 1649, the Vancouver National Historic Reserve Preservation Act of 2002, as ordered reported by the Senate Committee on Energy and Natural Resources on June 5, 2002. S. 1649 and H.R. 2099 are very similar, and the estimated costs are identical.

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