



**CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE  
COST ESTIMATE**

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**H.R. 2334**

**City of Oxnard Water Recycling and Desalinization Act of 2005**

*As ordered reported by the House Committee on Resources on July 19, 2006*

**SUMMARY**

H.R. 2334 would authorize the Secretary of the Interior to participate in the design, planning, and construction of the first phase of a project to reclaim, reuse, and treat water near Oxnard, California, known as the GREAT project. The bill would limit the federal cost share of the project to 25 percent. In addition, H.R. 2334 would prohibit the Secretary from providing funds for the operation and maintenance of the project. The authority to implement this bill would terminate 10 years after the date of enactment.

Assuming appropriation of the necessary amounts, CBO estimates that implementing H.R. 2334 would cost \$15 million over the 2007-2011 period. Enacting the legislation would not affect direct spending or revenues.

H.R. 2334 contains no intergovernmental or private-sector mandates as defined in the Unfunded Mandates Reform Act (UMRA). The city of Oxnard, California, would benefit from the water projects authorized in the bill. Any costs it might incur, including matching funds, would result from complying with conditions for receiving federal assistance.

**ESTIMATED COST TO THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT**

The estimated budgetary impact of H.R. 2334 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. 2334 will be enacted near the end of fiscal year 2006 and that the necessary amounts will be appropriated in installments over the 2007-2011 period. According to the Bureau of Reclamation, the estimated cost of the first phase of the GREAT project is \$57 million (at 2006 prices). Based on the historical spending pattern for similar activities, CBO estimates that the federal government's cost for implementing this bill would be \$15 million over the 2007-2011 period, including adjustments for anticipated inflation.

	By Fiscal Year, in Millions of Dollars				
	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011
<b>CHANGES IN SPENDING SUBJECT TO APPROPRIATION</b>					
Estimated Authorization Level	3	3	3	3	4
Estimated Outlays	2	3	3	3	4

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

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