



**CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE  
COST ESTIMATE**

July 20, 2006

**H.R. 4947  
Cahaba River National Wildlife Refuge Expansion Act**

*As ordered reported by House Committee on Resources on June 21, 2006*

H.R. 4947 would expand the boundary of the Cahaba River National Wildlife Refuge in Alabama to include an additional 3,600 acres. The bill would authorize the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) to acquire the added acreage by donation, purchase, or exchange. Based on information obtained from the USFWS and assuming appropriation of the necessary amounts, CBO estimates that implementing H.R. 4947 would cost about \$6 million. Most of this amount would be used by the agency to purchase land from private property owners and nonprofit organizations over the next five to seven years. Enacting the bill would not affect direct spending or revenues.

The legislation contains no intergovernmental or private-sector mandates as defined in the Unfunded Mandates Reform Act and would have no significant impact on the budgets of state, local, or tribal governments.

The CBO contact for this estimate is Deborah Reis. This estimate was approved by Peter H. Fontaine, Deputy Assistant Director for Budget Analysis.