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**H.R. 1991**  
**Federal Lands Recreation Enhancement Act Extension Act of 2015**

*As ordered reported by the House Committee on Natural Resources on April 30, 2015*

Currently, the Federal Lands Recreation Enhancement Act (FLREA) authorizes the National Park Service, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Bureau of Land Management, the U.S. Forest Service, and the Bureau of Reclamation to collect and spend certain fees charged to the public for access to some federal recreation facilities. This authority expires at the end of fiscal year 2016.

H.R. 1991 would extend, through FY 2017, the authority for those agencies to collect fees and to use the funds for the operation, maintenance and improvement of those sites. In recent years, about \$280 million of FLREA fees have been collected and spent across the federal land management agencies. Pursuant to rules that govern the projections in CBO's baseline, certain expiring programs—such as FLREA fees—are assumed to continue beyond their scheduled expiration dates. Consistent with that practice, CBO's baseline includes estimates of FLREA collections and related spending for 2017 through 2025. Thus, legislation to extend the provisions of FLREA would have no budgetary impact relative to CBO's baseline. Because enacting the bill would not affect direct spending or revenues, pay-as-you-go procedures do not apply.

H.R. 1991 contains no intergovernmental or private-sector mandates as defined in the Unfunded Mandates Reform Act and would not affect the budgets of state, local, or tribal governments.

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