

S. 776, M.H. Dutch Salmon Greater Gila Wild and Scenic River Act

As reported by the Senate Committee on Energy and Natural Resources on July 19, 2023

By Fiscal Year, Millions of Dollars	2024	2024-2028	2024-2033
Direct Spending (Outlays)	0	0	0
Revenues	0	0	0
Increase or Decrease (-) in the Deficit	0	0	0
Spending Subject to Appropriation (Outlays)	*	*	not estimated
Increases <i>net direct spending</i> in any of the four consecutive 10-year periods beginning in 2034?	No	Statutory pay-as-you-go procedures apply?	No
		Mandate Effects	
Increases <i>on-budget deficits</i> in any of the four consecutive 10-year periods beginning in 2034?	No	Contains intergovernmental mandate?	No
		Contains private-sector mandate?	No
* = between zero and \$500,000.			

S. 776 would designate segments of the Gila River system in New Mexico as components of the National Wild and Scenic Rivers System and would transfer 440 acres of land from the Gila National Forest to the Gila Cliff Dwellings Monument. Under the bill, the designated areas of the Gila River would be withdrawn from hardrock mining and mineral leasing, subject to valid existing rights. In addition, S. 776 would require the Departments of Agriculture and the Interior to develop a management plan and prepare maps of and legal documents for the designated segments.

Using information from the Forest Service and the National Park Service, CBO expects that designating the river segments and transferring the land would not affect receipts from recreational fees or from forgone mineral leases. Based on the cost of similar activities, CBO estimates that implementing the bill would cost less than \$500,000 over the 2024-2028 period; any spending would be subject to the availability of appropriated funds.



The CBO staff contact for this estimate is Jared Jageler. The estimate was reviewed by H. Samuel Papenfuss, Deputy Director of Budget Analysis.

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