

H.R. 4297, Bolts Ditch Act

As ordered reported by the House Committee on Natural Resources on February 6, 2024

By Fiscal Year, Millions of Dollars	2024	2024-2029	2024-2034
Direct Spending (Outlays)	0	*	*
Revenues	0	0	0
Increase or Decrease (-) in the Deficit	0	*	*
Spending Subject to Appropriation (Outlays)	0	0	0
Increases <i>net direct spending</i> in any of the four consecutive 10-year periods beginning in 2035?	No	Statutory pay-as-you-go procedures apply? Yes	
		Mandate Effects	
Increases <i>on-budget deficits</i> in any of the four consecutive 10-year periods beginning in 2035?	No	Contains intergovernmental mandate?	No
		Contains private-sector mandate?	No
* = between -\$500,000 and zero.			

H.R. 4297 would allow two regional water and sanitation authorities in Colorado access to federal land within the Holy Cross Wilderness to manage and maintain a headgate used to divert water to Bolts Lake.

Based on information from the Forest Service, CBO expects that the agency would collect a special permitting fee of about \$200 each year for access to the land. Those fees are recorded in the federal budget as offsetting receipts (or reductions in direct spending). On that basis, CBO estimates that any collections from the permitting fee would decrease direct spending by an insignificant amount over the 2024-2034 period.

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