

CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE COST ESTIMATE

August 5, 2010

S. 745 Magna Water District Water Reuse and Groundwater Recharge Act of 2009

As ordered reported by the Senate Committee on Energy and Natural Resources on July 21, 2010

SUMMARY

- S. 745 would authorize the Bureau of Reclamation to participate in developing a water project in the Magna Water District in Salt Lake County, Utah. Assuming appropriation of the authorized amount, CBO estimates that implementing S.745 would cost \$12 million over the 2011-2015 period. Enacting the legislation would not affect direct spending or revenues; therefore, pay-as-you-go procedures do not apply.
- S. 745 contains no intergovernmental or private-sector mandates as defined in the Unfunded Mandates Reform Act (UMRA) and would impose no costs on state, local, or tribal governments.

ESTIMATED COST TO THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT

The estimated budgetary impact of S. 745 is shown in the following table. The costs of this legislation fall within budget function 300 (natural resources and environment).

		By Fiscal Year, in Millions of Dollars				
	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2011 2015
CHANGES IN SPENDING SUBJECT TO APPROPRIATION						
Authorization Level Estimated Outlays	12 8	0 4	0	0	0 0	12 12

BASIS OF ESTIMATE

For this estimate, CBO assumes that S. 745 will be enacted in 2010 and that the federal share of the project's costs will be appropriated in fiscal year 2011. Estimated outlays are based on information provided by the Bureau of Reclamation.

S. 745 would authorize the bureau to design, plan, and construct water recycling facilities in the Magna Water District. The legislation would authorize the appropriation of \$12 million to cover nearly 25 percent of the project's costs (about \$50 million). The remainder of those costs would be the responsibility of local governments, as would the costs of operating and maintaining the facility.

PAY-AS-YOU-GO CONSIDERATIONS: None.

INTERGOVERNMENTAL AND PRIVATE-SECTOR IMPACT

S. 745 contains no intergovernmental or private-sector mandates as defined in UMRA and would impose no costs on state, local, or tribal governments. The bill would benefit the Magna Water District in Utah by authorizing federal assistance for planning, designing, and constructing water facilities.

PREVIOUS CBO ESTIMATE

On September 18, 2009, CBO transmitted a cost estimate for H.R. 2265, the Magna Water District Water Reuse and Groundwater Recharge Act of 2009, as ordered reported by the House Committee on Natural Resources on September 10, 2009. The two pieces of legislation and CBO's cost estimates are similar.

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