

[CHAPTER 745.]

AN ACT

To authorize the Secretary of the Interior to provide by agreement with Middle Rio Grande Conservancy District, a subdivision of the State of New Mexico, for maintenance and operation on newly reclaimed Pueblo Indian lands in the Rio Grande Valley, New Mexico, reclaimed under previous Act of Congress, and authorizing an annual appropriation to pay the cost thereof for a period of not to exceed five years.

August 27, 1935.
[S. 1832.]
[Public, No. 352.]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Interior be, and he is hereby, authorized to enter into an agreement with Middle Rio Grande Conservancy District, a political subdivision of the State of New Mexico, to provide for operation and maintenance on newly reclaimed Pueblo Indian lands, not exceeding twelve thousand six hundred acres thereof now owned by said Indians, in the Rio Grande Valley, New Mexico, provided said lands have been benefited by improvements constructed under the Act of Congress dated March 13, 1928 (45 Stat. L., 312-313) and as therein provided, and as provided for by the provisions of the contract executed by and with the Secretary of the Interior and the said district; and there is hereby authorized to be appropriated annually for a period of not to exceed five years, such amount as may be necessary to enable the Secretary of the Interior to pay the cost to Middle Rio Grande Conservancy District of such operation and maintenance on said newly reclaimed Pueblo Indian lands as may be irrigable during any particular year, provided the per acre cost assessable against the acreage of newly reclaimed Indian lands shall not exceed the per acre cost of operating and maintaining the district works for the irrigation of the total irrigable area within the district, including the now irrigated and newly reclaimed Indian lands: *Provided*, That any sums appropriated pursuant hereto shall be reimbursable to the United States: *Provided further*, That the district shall be required by the agreement herein authorized to be executed, to deliver water without discrimination on that part of the newly reclaimed Pueblo lands on which the per acre charge or assessment has been paid: *And provided further*, That the provisions of the contract heretofore executed pursuant to the Act of March 13, 1928, requiring the district to recognize the prior and paramount water rights for the approximately eight thousand three hundred and forty-six acres of now irrigated Indian lands and of their exemption from payment of any operation and maintenance or betterment cost, shall be carried into and made a part of the agreement to be executed pursuant hereto.

Middle Rio Grande Conservancy District. Agreement with, for maintenance on newly reclaimed Pueblo Indian lands, N. Mex., authorized.

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Appropriations authorized.

Assessment of costs.

Provisos.
Repayment.
Equitable distribution requirements.

Recognition of prior water rights of irrigated lands.

Approved, August 27, 1935.

[CHAPTER 746.]

AN ACT

For the relief of the State of Nebraska.

August 27, 1935.
[S. 1864.]
[Public, No. 353.]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That notwithstanding the provisions of section 3646, as amended, of the Revised Statutes of the United States, the issue of a duplicate check is hereby authorized and directed, without the requirement of an indemnity bond, said check to be a duplicate of original check numbered 15757, drawn by the disbursing clerk, Department of Agriculture, January 17, 1934, in favor of "State treasurer of Nebraska, trust fund", for \$10,451.12 and lost, stolen, or miscarried in the mails.

Nebraska.
Issue of duplicate check to treasurer of, in lieu of lost original.
R. S., sec. 3646, p. 717.
U. S. C., p. 1395.

Approved, August 27, 1935.