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S. 454

To direct the Secretary of the Army to convey the remaining water supply storage allocation in Rathbun Lake, Iowa, to the Rathbun Regional Water Association.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

FEBRUARY 26, 2003

Mr. HARKIN (for himself and Mr. GRASSLEY) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Environment and Public Works

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. RATHBUN LAKE, IOWA.**

4 (a) CONVEYANCE.—The Secretary of the Army shall
5 convey the remaining water supply storage allocation in
6 Rathbun Lake, Iowa, to the Rathbun Regional Water As-
7 sociation (referred to in this section as the “Water Asso-
8 ciation”).

1 (b) CONSTRUCTION OF VISITOR CENTER COM-
2 PLEX.—Notwithstanding the Water Supply Act of 1958
3 (43 U.S.C. 390b), in exchange for the water supply stor-
4 age allocation to be conveyed under subsection (a), the
5 Water Association shall construct, in accordance with sub-
6 section (c), a regional lighthouse visitor center complex on
7 Federal land at Rathbun Lake.

8 (c) TERMS AND CONDITIONS.—Before conveying the
9 water supply storage allocation under subsection (a), the
10 Secretary of the Army shall enter into an agreement with
11 the Water Association under which the Water Association
12 shall agree—

13 (1) in accordance with designs approved by the
14 Chief of Engineers, to construct a visitor center
15 complex that has a value equal to or greater than
16 the amount that otherwise would be paid to the Fed-
17 eral Government for the costs of the water supply
18 storage under the Water Supply Act of 1958 (43
19 U.S.C. 390b);

20 (2) to be responsible for operating and main-
21 taining the visitor center complex;

22 (3) to pay all operation and maintenance costs
23 allocated to the water supply storage space;

24 (4) to use any revenues generated at the visitor
25 center complex that are in excess of the revenues re-

1 quired to operate and maintain or improve the com-
2 plex to undertake, subject to the approval of the
3 Chief of Engineers, activities that will improve the
4 quality of the environment in the Rathbun Lake wa-
5 tershed area; and

6 (5) to such other terms and conditions as the
7 Secretary considers necessary to protect the inter-
8 ests of the United States.

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