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H. R. 391

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 HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JANUARY 26, 2005

Mr. LEACH introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure

A BILL

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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 (in this section referred to as the “Water Asso-
8 ciation”).

1 (b) CONSTRUCTION OF VISITORS CENTER COM-
2 PLEX.—Notwithstanding the Water Supply Act of 1958
3 (43 U.S.C. 390b), the Water Association shall pay for the
4 water supply storage allocation to be conveyed under sub-
5 section (a) by constructing a regional lighthouse visitors
6 center complex on Federal lands at Rathbun Lake.

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

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

19 (2) be responsible for operating and maintain-
20 ing the visitors center complex;

21 (3) pay all operation and maintenance costs al-
22 located to the water supply storage space;

23 (4) use any revenues generated at the visitors
24 center complex that are above those required to op-
25 erate and maintain or improve the complex to under-

1 take, subject to the approval of the Chief of Engi-
2 neers, activities that will improve the quality of the
3 environment in the Rathbun Lake watershed area;
4 and

5 (5) such other terms and conditions as the Sec-
6 retary considers necessary to protect the interests of
7 the United States.

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