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# H. R. 530

To amend the Reclamation Wastewater and Groundwater Study and Facilities Act to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to participate in the Prado Basin Natural Treatment System Project, to authorize the Secretary to carry out a program to assist agencies in projects to construct regional brine lines in California, to authorize the Secretary to participate in the Lower Chino Dairy Area desalination demonstration and reclamation project, and for other purposes.

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JANUARY 14, 2009

Mr. GARY G. MILLER of California (for himself, Mr. CALVERT, Ms. LORETTA SANCHEZ of California, Mr. DREIER, Mr. ROYCE, and Mr. ROHRABACHER) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Natural Resources

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## 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. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Santa Ana River  
5 Water Supply Enhancement Act of 2009”.

6 **SEC. 2. PRADO BASIN NATURAL TREATMENT SYSTEM**  
7 **PROJECT.**

8 (a) IN GENERAL.—The Reclamation Wastewater and  
9 Groundwater Study and Facilities Act (Public Law 102–  
10 575, title XVI; 43 U.S.C. 390h et seq.) is amended by  
11 adding at the end the following:

12 **“SEC. 16 \_\_\_\_ . PRADO BASIN NATURAL TREATMENT SYSTEM**  
13 **PROJECT.**

14 “(a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary, in cooperation  
15 with the Orange County Water District, shall participate  
16 in the planning, design, and construction of natural treat-  
17 ment systems and wetlands for the flows of the Santa Ana  
18 River, California, and its tributaries into the Prado Basin.

19 “(b) COST SHARING.—The Federal share of the cost  
20 of the project described in subsection (a) shall not exceed  
21 25 percent of the total cost of the project.

22 “(c) LIMITATION.—Funds provided by the Secretary  
23 shall not be used for the operation and maintenance of  
24 the project described in subsection (a).

1       “(d) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—There  
 2 is authorized to be appropriated to carry out this section  
 3 \$20,000,000.

4       “(e) SUNSET OF AUTHORITY.—This section shall  
 5 have no effect after the date that is 10 years after the  
 6 date of the enactment of this section.”.

7       (b) CONFORMING AMENDMENT.—The table of sec-  
 8 tions in section 2 of Public Law 102–575 is further  
 9 amended by inserting after the last item the following:

“16\_\_\_\_. Prado Basin Natural Treatment System Project.”.

10 **SEC. 3. REGIONAL BRINE LINES.**

11       (a) IN GENERAL.—The Reclamation Wastewater and  
 12 Groundwater Study and Facilities Act (Public Law 102–  
 13 575, title XVI; 43 U.S.C. 390h et seq.) is further amended  
 14 by adding at the end the following:

15 **“SEC. 16\_\_\_\_. REGIONAL BRINE LINES.**

16       “(a) SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA.—The Secretary, under  
 17 Federal reclamation laws and in cooperation with units of  
 18 local government, may assist agencies in projects to con-  
 19 struct regional brine lines to export the salinity imported  
 20 from the Colorado River to the Pacific Ocean as identified  
 21 in—

22               “(1) the Salinity Management Study prepared  
 23 by the Bureau of Reclamation and the Metropolitan  
 24 Water District of Southern California; and

1           “(2) the Southern California Comprehensive  
2       Water Reclamation and Reuse Study prepared by  
3       the Bureau of Reclamation.

4           “(b) AGREEMENTS AND REGULATIONS.—The Sec-  
5       retary may enter into such agreements and promulgate  
6       such regulations as are necessary to carry out this section.

7           “(c) COST SHARING.—The Federal share of the cost  
8       of a project to construct regional brine lines described in  
9       subsection (a) shall not exceed—

10           “(1) 25 percent of the total cost of the project;

11       or

12           “(2) \$40,000,000.

13           “(d) LIMITATION.—Funds provided by the Secretary  
14       shall not be used for operation or maintenance of any  
15       project described in subsection (a).

16           “(e) SUNSET OF AUTHORITY.—This section shall  
17       have no effect after the date that is 10 years after the  
18       date of the enactment of this section.”.

19           (b) CONFORMING AMENDMENT.—The table of sec-  
20       tions in section 2 of Public Law 102–575 is further  
21       amended by inserting after the last item the following:

“16\_\_\_\_. Regional brine lines.”.

22       **SEC. 4. LOWER CHINO DAIRY AREA DESALINATION DEM-**  
23       **ONSTRATION AND RECLAMATION PROJECT.**

24           (a) IN GENERAL.—The Reclamation Wastewater and  
25       Groundwater Study and Facilities Act (Public Law 102–

1 575, title XVI; 43 U.S.C. 390h et seq.) is further amended  
2 by adding at the end the following:

3 **“SEC. 16\_\_\_\_. LOWER CHINO DAIRY AREA DESALINATION**  
4 **DEMONSTRATION AND RECLAMATION**  
5 **PROJECT.**

6 “(a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary, in cooperation  
7 with the Chino Basin Watermaster, the Inland Empire  
8 Utilities Agency, and the Santa Ana Watershed Project  
9 Authority and acting under the Federal reclamation laws,  
10 shall participate in the design, planning, and construction  
11 of the Lower Chino Dairy Area desalination demonstra-  
12 tion and reclamation project.

13 “(b) COST SHARING.—The Federal share of the cost  
14 of the project described in subsection (a) shall not ex-  
15 ceed—

16 “(1) 25 percent of the total cost of the project;

17 or

18 “(2) \$50,000,000.

19 “(c) LIMITATION.—Funds provided by the Secretary  
20 shall not be used for operation or maintenance of the  
21 project described in subsection (a).

22 “(d) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—There  
23 are authorized to be appropriated such sums as are nec-  
24 essary to carry out this section.

1       “(e) SUNSET OF AUTHORITY.—This section shall  
2 have no effect after the date that is 10 years after the  
3 date of the enactment of this section.”.

4       (b) CONFORMING AMENDMENT.—The table of sec-  
5 tions in section 2 of Public Law 102–575 is further  
6 amended by inserting after the last item the following:

“16\_\_\_\_. Lower Chino dairy area desalination demonstration and reclamation  
project.”.

