

118TH CONGRESS
2D SESSION

S. 5000

AN ACT

To provide for a memorandum of understanding to address the impacts of a certain record of decision on the Upper Colorado River Basin Fund.

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

1 **SECTION 1. MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING TO AD-**
2 **DRESS POTENTIAL IMPACTS OF A CERTAIN**
3 **RECORD OF DECISION ON THE UPPER COLO-**
4 **RADO RIVER BASIN FUND.**

5 (a) **IN GENERAL.**—As soon as practicable after the
6 date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary of the Inte-
7 rior, acting through the Commissioner of Reclamation,
8 and the Secretary of Energy, acting through the Adminis-
9 trator of the Western Area Power Administration, in con-
10 sultation with the Glen Canyon Dam Adaptive Manage-
11 ment Working Group, shall enter into a memorandum of
12 understanding to explore and address the potential impact
13 that the record of decision entitled the “Supplement to
14 the 2016 Glen Canyon Dam Long-Term Experimental and
15 Management Plan Record of Decision” and dated July
16 2024 (referred to in this section as the “record of deci-
17 sion”) may have on the Upper Colorado River Basin Fund
18 (referred to in this section as the “Fund”).

19 (b) **REQUIRED PLAN.**—The memorandum of under-
20 standing entered into under subsection (a) shall, using in-
21 formation derived from existing contracts, include the es-
22 tablishment of a plan—

23 (1) to explore and address the effects that the
24 record of decision may have on the contents of the
25 Fund;

1 (2) to analyze and address the longer-term im-
2 pact that the record of decision may have on hydro-
3 power production at Glen Canyon Dam; and

4 (3) to protect the Colorado River Basin and any
5 species listed as a threatened species or an endan-
6 gered species under section 4 of the Endangered
7 Species Act of 1973 (16 U.S.C. 1533) in the Colo-
8 rado River Basin from the effects of invasive species
9 and sustained drought.

 Passed the Senate December 18 (legislative day, De-
cember 16), 2024.

Attest:

Secretary.

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