

S. Con. Res. 107, expressing the sense of Congress that Federal land management agencies should fully support the Western Governors Association "Collaborative 10-year Strategy for Reducing Wildland Fire Risks to Communities and the Environment", as signed August 2001, to reduce the overabundance of forest fuels that place national resources at high risk of catastrophic wildfire, and prepare a National Prescribed Fire Strategy that minimizes risks of escape.

Because of the limited time available for the hearing, witnesses may testify by invitation only. However, those wishing to submit written testimony for the hearing record should send two copies of their testimony to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, United States Senate, 312 Dirksen Senate Office building, Washington, DC 20510.

For further information, please contact David Brooks or Kira Finkler of the Committee staff at (202) 224-4103.

COMMITTEE ON ENERGY AND NATURAL RESOURCES

Mr. BINGAMAN. Mr. President, I would like to announce for the information of the Senate and the public that a hearing has been scheduled before the Subcommittee on Water and Power of the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

The hearing will take place on Wednesday, July 31, 2002, at 2:30 p.m. in room 366 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building in Washington, DC.

The purpose of the hearing is to receive testimony on the following bills:

S. 934, to require the Secretary of the Interior to construct the Rocky Boy's North Central Montana Regional Water System in the State of Montana, to offer to enter into an agreement with the Chippewa Cree Tribe to plan, design, construct, operate, maintain and replace the Rocky Boy's Rural Water System, and to provide assistance to the North Central Montana Regional Water Authority for the planning, design, and construction of the noncore system, and for other purposes;

S. 1577, to amend the Lower Rio Grande Valley Water Resources Conservation and Improvement Act of 2000 to authorize additional projects under that Act, and for other purposes;

S. 1882, to amend the Small Reclamation Projects Act of 1956, and for other purposes;

S. 2556, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to convey certain facilities to the Fremont-Madison Irrigation District in the State of Idaho; and

S. 2696, to clear title to certain real property in New Mexico associated with the Middle Rio Grande Project, and for other purposes.

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PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR

Mr. AKAKA. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that privilege of the floor be granted to Peter Dees and Brett Freedman, congressional fellows in my subcommittee office, throughout the duration of my comments on the introduction of the Agriculture Security Preparedness Act.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

UNANIMOUS CONSENT REQUEST— H.R. 3210

Mr. REID. Mr. President, I indicated last Thursday that I would return with a unanimous consent request dealing with appointing conferees to the terrorism insurance bill. We fought for weeks to get to the bill. We finally got to the bill, and we passed it. Now we have been working for weeks to try to get a conference.

The President said this bill is important. He said: You have to do something on this bill. We finally passed something. Now we cannot get a conference. This all appears foolish.

Some will remember that Senator DASCHLE said he wanted the ratio on the conference committee to be 3 to 2. The minority said make it 4 to 3. Senator DASCHLE said, OK, we will make it 4 to 3—so we could get it to conference. Still no conference. The last I heard, there were two people who wanted the third slot, so they are fighting over that. I don't know what the reason is. It is very important that we move on with this legislation.

I ask unanimous consent that the Senate proceed to the immediate consideration of Calendar No. 252, H.R. 3210, the terrorism insurance bill; that all after the enacting clause be stricken and the text of S. 2600, as passed in the Senate, be inserted in lieu thereof; the bill, as amended, be read the third time and passed, and the motion to reconsider be laid upon the table; that the Senate insist on its amendment, request a conference with the House on the disagreeing votes of the two Houses, and the Chair be authorized to appoint conferees on the part of the Senate, with a ratio of 4 to 3, all without intervening action or debate.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Is there objection?

Ms. SNOWE. Mr. President, I object on behalf of the leadership.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Objection is heard.

Mr. REID. Mr. President, as I said, I will place this in my desk, and I will be back tomorrow to do it again.

This legislation is not good for the country. I hope that we can have cooler heads prevail and that we can go ahead

with the conference. I understand the House is going out for the summer recess this Friday. If the President wants this by the August recess, he had better get to it and ask those folks to allow us to proceed with a conference.

MEASURE READ THE FIRST TIME—H.R. 4687

Mr. REID. Mr. President, it is my understanding that H.R. 4687, just received from the House, is at the desk, and I ask for its first reading.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will read the bill for the first time.

The assistant legislative clerk read as follows:

A bill (H.R. 4687) to provide for the establishment of investigative teams to assess building performance and emergency measured response and evacuation procedures in the wake of any building failure that has resulted in substantial loss of life or that posed significant potential of substantial loss of life.

Mr. REID. Mr. President, I now ask for its second reading but object to my own request on behalf of a number of colleagues.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Objection is heard.

ORDERS FOR TUESDAY, JULY 23, 2002

Mr. REID. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that when the Senate completes its business today, it stand in adjournment until tomorrow at 9:45 a.m., Tuesday, July 23; that following the prayer and the pledge, the morning hour be deemed to have expired, the Journal of proceedings be approved to date, the time for the two leaders be reserved for their use later in the day, and the Senate be in a period of morning business until 10:45 a.m., with Senators permitted to speak therein for up to 10 minutes each, with the first half of the time under the control of the Republican leader or his designee, and the second half of the time under the majority leader or his designees; that following the disposition of the nomination, the Senate resume legislative session and the time until 12:30 p.m. be equally divided between the two leaders or their designees; further, that the Senate recess from 12:30 until 2:15 p.m. for the weekly party conferences.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

PROGRAM

Mr. REID. Mr. President, the Senate will vote on cloture on the Surgeon General nomination at 10:45 tomorrow morning. We expect to complete consideration of the nomination shortly after that vote, and we expect to resume consideration of the prescription drug bill, with the time until 12:30 p.m. equally divided between the managers of the bill.

The Senate will vote in relation to the two pending prescription drug

amendments at approximately 2:45 to-morrow afternoon.

ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 9:45 A.M. TOMORROW

Mr. REID. Mr. President, if there is no further business to come before the Senate, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate stand in adjournment under the previous order.

There being no objection, the Senate, at 6:58 p.m., recessed until Tuesday, July 23, 2002, at 9:45 a.m.

NOMINATIONS

Executive nominations received by the Senate July 22, 2002:

IN THE AIR FORCE

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICER FOR APPOINTMENT IN THE UNITED STATES AIR FORCE TO THE GRADE INDICATED WHILE ASSIGNED TO A POSITION OF IMPORTANCE AND RESPONSIBILITY UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTION 601:

To be lieutenant general

MAJ. GEN. ROBERT R. DIERKER, 0000

IN THE ARMY

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICER FOR APPOINTMENT IN THE UNITED STATES ARMY TO THE GRADE INDICATED WHILE ASSIGNED TO A POSITION OF IMPORTANCE AND RESPONSIBILITY UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTION 601:

To be lieutenant general

LT. GEN. PAUL T. MIKOLASHEK, 0000

IN THE MARINE CORPS

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICER FOR APPOINTMENT IN THE UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS TO THE GRADE INDICATED WHILE ASSIGNED TO A POSITION OF IMPORTANCE AND RESPONSIBILITY UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTION 601:

To be general

GEN. JAMES L. JONES JR., 0000

IN THE NAVY

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICER FOR APPOINTMENT AS CHIEF OF NAVAL PERSONNEL, UNITED STATES NAVY, AND APPOINTMENT TO THE GRADE INDICATED WHILE ASSIGNED TO A POSITION OF IMPORTANCE AND RESPONSIBILITY UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTIONS 601 AND 5141:

To be vice admiral

REAR ADM. GERALD L. HOEWING, 0000

IN THE AIR FORCE

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICER FOR A REGULAR APPOINTMENT IN THE GRADE INDICATED IN THE UNITED STATES AIR FORCE UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTION 531:

To be lieutenant colonel

KURT R.L. PETERS, 0000

IN THE NAVY

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICER FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE GRADE INDICATED IN THE UNITED STATES NAVY UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTION 624:

To be captain

WILLIAM W. CROW, 0000

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICER FOR REGULAR APPOINTMENT TO THE GRADE INDICATED IN THE UNITED STATES NAVY UNDER TITLE 10, U.S. CODE, SECTION 531:

To be lieutenant

JOEL C. SMITH, 0000

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICER FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE GRADE INDICATED IN THE UNITED STATES NAVY UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTION 624:

To be lieutenant commander

JOSEPH R. BECKHAM, 0000

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICER FOR REGULAR APPOINTMENT TO THE GRADE INDICATED IN THE UNITED STATES NAVY UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTION 1211:

To be lieutenant commander

MICHAEL E. MOORE, 0000

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICERS FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE GRADE INDICATED IN THE UNITED STATES NAVY UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTION 624:

To be lieutenant commander

CHARLES W BROWN, 0000
BRAUNA R CARL, 0000

JOHN M DANIELS, 0000
AMY E DERRICK, 0000
TERRENCE L DUDLEY, 0000
BRADLEY A FAGAN, 0000
CHRISTINA S HAGEN, 0000
KENNETH C MARSHALL, 0000
PATRICK W MCNALLY, 0000
JOHN F SHARPE, 0000
TANYA L WALLACE, 0000

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICERS FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE GRADE INDICATED IN THE UNITED STATES NAVY UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTION 624:

To be lieutenant commander

TODD E BARNHILL, 0000
DAVID S BROWN, 0000
JAMES A BUCHANAN, 0000
MARK D BUTLER, 0000
BRUCE W FORD, 0000
CHRISTOPHER L GABRIEL, 0000
PAULA E HILDEBRAND, 0000
JIMMY D HORNE JR., 0000
MATTHEW J MOORE, 0000
TIMOTHY M RAGLIN, 0000
JUSTIN M REEVES, 0000
JOHN W SIMMS, 0000
NEIL T SMITH, 0000
TIMOTHY B SMITH, 0000
VICTORIA L TABER, 0000
DOMINICK A VINCENT, 0000

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICERS FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE GRADE INDICATED IN THE UNITED STATES NAVY UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTION 624:

To be lieutenant commander

COLLEEN M BARIBEAU, 0000
STEPHANE C BLAIS, 0000
ROSETTA BUTLER, 0000
SHARON L GRAHAM, 0000
MOLLY A HARRINGTON, 0000
AUDREY HERVEY, 0000
WILLIAM K JAMES, 0000
JOANNE L KINS, 0000
MARY K KORTZ, 0000
HEATHER P MAY, 0000
HELEN L MILLER, 0000
MANUEL C MONTEHERMOSO, 0000
RICHARD OBREGON, 0000
STEVEN R SORCE, 0000
LYNDA M WHITTLE, 0000
KIM C WILLIAMS, 0000

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICERS FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE GRADE INDICATED IN THE UNITED STATES NAVY UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTION 624:

To be lieutenant commander

VINCENT A AUGELLI, 0000
WILLIAM M CARTER, 0000
KEVIN P CHRISTIE, 0000
VITTERIO J CRISP, 0000
MARISA A DECILLIS, 0000
CATHERINE W DONALDSON, 0000
MICHELLE L GLENN, 0000
BARBARA J GUTSCH, 0000
WILLIAM K HAM, 0000
WYATTE B JONESCOLEMAN, 0000
GARY C KYTE, 0000
STEVEN M LEDOUX, 0000
ADAM C LYONS, 0000
BRADLEY F MAAS, 0000
SUSAN C MCGOVERN, 0000
RHONDA T ONIANWA, 0000
BRYAN T SCHLOTMAN, 0000
JULIE R SCHUCHMANN, 0000
SATISH SKARIAH, 0000
PETER J SZCZEPANKIEWICZ, 0000
WILLIAM R WAGGONER, 0000
WARREN YU, 0000
REESE K ZOMAR, 0000

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICERS FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE GRADE INDICATED IN THE UNITED STATES NAVY UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTION 624:

To be lieutenant commander

ANGEL BELLIDO, 0000
JOSEPH R BLANK, 0000
ALLEN C BLAXTON, 0000
KENNETH J BROWN JR., 0000
JEFFREY J CHOWN, 0000
WILLIAM F CONROY, 0000
GERALD A COOK, 0000
CHRISTOPHER J COUCH, 0000
DUANE L DECKER, 0000
ALLEN R FORD, 0000
LOUIS P GONCALVES, 0000
TYRONE W GORRICK, 0000
CHRISTOPHER HAMMOND, 0000
JOSEPH A HENRY, 0000
BRIAN J LAUER, 0000
RODOLFO E MARTINEZ, 0000
MICHAEL H MCCURDY, 0000
MARK E NIETO, 0000
JEFFREY J PRONESTI, 0000
DAVID R SCALF, 0000
TIMOTHY G SHINN, 0000
JOEL R TESSIER, 0000
WALTER J WINTERS, 0000

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICERS FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE GRADE INDICATED IN THE UNITED STATES NAVY UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTION 624:

To be lieutenant commander

MICHAEL P BANASZEWSKI, 0000

CLAUDIO C BILTOC, 0000
BENJAMIN T BURING, 0000
EUGENE F BUSTAMANTE, 0000
PHILIP N CAMPBELL, 0000
ANTHONY J CHERRY, 0000
ANDREW N COREY, 0000
MATTHEW G DISCH, 0000
ROBERT S FAGAN, 0000
JEFFREY S FREELAND, 0000
VINCENT C GIAMPIETRO, 0000
MELVIN GRIFFIN, 0000
EMILY P HAMPTON, 0000
JASON D HANEY, 0000
BRIAN D HOFFER, 0000
KYLE I HOLSTINE, 0000
MATTHEW F HOPSON, 0000
TRACY E JARVIS, 0000
DONALD R JONES JR., 0000
OTIS L LEAKE, 0000
KEITH W MALY, 0000
PATTI J MOYER, 0000
ELIAS OXENDINE, 0000
EDWARD J PADINSKE, 0000
WILLIAM D J PHARIS, 0000
CHAD E PIACENTI, 0000
ADAM D PORTER, 0000
STEVEN G PRENTISS, 0000
TODD PRUETT, 0000
PAUL P RYNNNE, 0000
TROY A SHOULDERS, 0000
MIRIAM K SMYTH, 0000
BENJAMIN A SNELL, 0000
OSCAR TEQUIDA, 0000
MATTHEW A VERICH, 0000
DARREN S WILLIAMS, 0000
THOMAS P WYPYSKI, 0000
BRIAN S ZITO, 0000

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICERS FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE GRADE INDICATED IN THE UNITED STATES NAVY UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTION 624:

To be lieutenant commander

STUART R BLAIR, 0000
ALEXANDER BULLOCK III, 0000
WILLIAM D CARROLL, 0000
KATHERINE M DOLLOFF, 0000
KEVIN R GALLAGHER, 0000
ANDREW S GIBBONS, 0000
LYNN A GISH, 0000
TRENT R GOODING, 0000
CHRISTOPHER J HANSON, 0000
WILLIAM L HARDMAN, 0000
JAMES W HARRELL, 0000
LAURA M HARTMAN, 0000
ANDREW P JOHNSON, 0000
JAY H JOHNSON, 0000
BRIAN L KELLY, 0000
JAMES A KNOLL, 0000
RYAN J KUHLER, 0000
DANIEL L LANNAMANN, 0000
BRIAN D LAWRENCE, 0000
DAVID W LIDDY, 0000
JOHN L LOWERY, 0000
PETER M LUDWIG, 0000
CHARLES R MARSHALL, 0000
RICHARD J MCCONNELL, 0000
PATRICK M MCDERMOTT, 0000
STEPHEN R MEADE, 0000
BRIAN A METCALF, 0000
RONNIE L MOON, 0000
ELIZABETH S OKANO, 0000
ERIK D OLLER, 0000
JOSEPH R PRISELLA, 0000
JOSEPH PROBST, 0000
JACK S RAMSEY JR., 0000
CHRISTOPHER G RILEY, 0000
JOHN P ROBINSON II, 0000
MICHAEL J ROBISON, 0000
MARIA E SILSDORF, 0000
KEVIN R SMITH, 0000
TIMOTHY C SPICER, 0000
SCOTT W STETSON, 0000
JOHN D STEVENS, 0000
DOUGLAS L SWISHER, 0000
MICHAEL E TAYLOR, 0000
STEPHEN D TOMLIN, 0000
CRAIG A WILGENBUSCH, 0000
JON E WITHEE, 0000

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICERS FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE GRADE INDICATED IN THE UNITED STATES NAVY UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTION 624:

To be lieutenant commander

WILLIAM L ABBOTT, 0000
ALLEN D BALABIS, 0000
DAVID R BALLANCE, 0000
ROBERT L BARKSDALE, 0000
DONALD L BARNHART, 0000
DAVID W BIBBS, 0000
MICAL L BINDSCHATEL, 0000
JAMES B BLEAKLEY, 0000
BRIAN L BODOH, 0000
DANNY E BOUCHARD, 0000
ROGER J BROUILLET, 0000
ALEX S BROWN, 0000
DAVID W BROWNELL, 0000
RODNEY J BURLEY, 0000
ROBERT G BYRD, 0000
LAWRENCE C CALLAHAN, 0000
DENNIS L CAMERON, 0000
ROBERT A CARMAN, 0000
TERRY V CARROLL, 0000
COLIN M CASWELL, 0000
DOUGLAS B CHANDLER, 0000
JERRY D CHASE, 0000