

(1) a timely written response describing proposed actions, if any, to address the recommendation; and

(2) notice regarding the costs and status of such activities on a periodic basis.

(e) *REPORT.*—The Secretary shall report annually to the Natural Resources Committee of the House of Representatives and the Energy and Natural Resources Committee of the Senate on site security actions and activities undertaken pursuant to this Act for each fiscal year. The report shall include a summary of Federal and non-Federal expenditures for the fiscal year and information relating to a 5-year planning horizon for the program, detailed to show pre-September 11, 2001, and post-September 11, 2001, costs for the site security activities.

SEC. 5. PRE-SEPTEMBER 11, 2001 SECURITY COST LEVELS.

Reclamation project security costs at the levels of activity that existed prior to September 11, 2001, shall remain reimbursable.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to the rule, the gentlewoman from California (Mrs. NAPOLITANO) and the gentlewoman from Washington (Mrs. McMORRIS RODGERS) each will control 20 minutes.

The Chair recognizes the gentlewoman from California.

GENERAL LEAVE

Mrs. NAPOLITANO. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that all Members may have 5 days to revise and extend their remarks and include extraneous material on the bill under consideration.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentlewoman from California?

There was no objection.

Mrs. NAPOLITANO. Mr. Speaker, I yield myself such time as I may consume.

I introduced H.R. 1662 to address the question of how we, the Federal Government, should pay for increased security mandated and required by the Bureau of Reclamation facilities after the attacks of September 11, 2001. As amended by the Committee on Natural Resources, H.R. 1662 sets a firm cap, \$18.9 million annually, indexed to inflation, on costs that can be passed on to water and power customers to pay for guards, patrol expenses and other things like that.

The bill, as amended, also includes reporting requirements that are reasonable and appropriate to keep the Congress and project beneficiaries advised of Bureau of Reclamation site security activities.

I commend our ranking member, CATHY McMORRIS RODGERS, for her bipartisan support of this bill.

Mr. Speaker, I strongly support enactment of this noncontroversial bill. I ask my colleagues to support H.R. 1662, as amended.

I reserve the balance of my time.

Mrs. McMORRIS RODGERS. Mr. Speaker, I yield myself such time as I may consume.

Mr. Speaker, this bipartisan bill protects much of our critical water and power infrastructure in the West and gives consumers cost certainty in how these facilities are protected. Many of the dams in the West are multipurpose

in nature. For example, the Grand Coulee Dam in eastern Washington provides irrigation water and renewable hydropower benefits but also plays a major role in preventing floods, allowing millions to enjoy our public lands and waterways and helping the environment.

Water and power beneficiaries of Grand Coulee will pay for the major portion of the post-9/11 security costs under this legislation. But this bill also reflects the reality that these dams are national treasures that provide national benefits by capping the costs to local water and power customers.

This bill also requires our government to be more transparent in how it does business by requiring common-sense reports in how it spends its site security dollars. This bill has truly been a bipartisan effort that has spanned the past three Congresses. Through every step of the process, Republicans and Democrats have worked together to draft this legislation and bring about a much-needed way for the Bureau of Reclamation to carry out this program. I applaud the chairwoman of the Water and Power Subcommittee, GRACE NAPOLITANO, for taking the lead to get the legislation passed through this Congress and urge my colleagues to support this important bipartisan measure.

Mr. Speaker, I have no additional speakers and yield back the balance of my time.

Mrs. NAPOLITANO. Mr. Speaker, I certainly want to thank Ranking Member CATHY McMORRIS RODGERS for her role in this. She described the bill very aptly. We are asking our colleagues to support H.R. 1662, as amended.

I have no further requests for time, and I yield back the balance of my time.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion offered by the gentlewoman from California (Mrs. NAPOLITANO) that the House suspend the rules and pass the bill, H.R. 1662, as amended.

The question was taken; and (two-thirds being in the affirmative) the rules were suspended and the bill, as amended, was passed.

The title was amended so as to read: "A bill to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to seek limited reimbursement for site security activities, and for other purposes."

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

McGEE CREEK PROJECT PIPELINE AND ASSOCIATED FACILITIES CONVEYANCE ACT

Mrs. NAPOLITANO. Mr. Speaker, I move to suspend the rules and pass the bill (H.R. 2085) to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to convey to the McGee Creek Authority certain facilities of the McGee Creek Project, Oklahoma, and for other purposes.

The Clerk read the title of the bill.

The text of the bill is as follows:

H.R. 2085

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

This Act may be cited as the "McGee Creek Project Pipeline and Associated Facilities Conveyance Act".

SEC. 2. DEFINITIONS.

In this Act:

(1) **AGREEMENT.**—The term "Agreement" means the agreement numbered 06-AG-60-2115 and entitled "Agreement Between the United States of America and McGee Creek Authority for the Purpose of Defining Responsibilities Related to and Implementing the Title Transfer of Certain Facilities at the McGee Creek Project, Oklahoma".

(2) **AUTHORITY.**—The term "Authority" means the McGee Creek Authority located in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

(3) **SECRETARY.**—The term "Secretary" means the Secretary of the Interior.

SEC. 3. CONVEYANCE OF MCGEE CREEK PROJECT PIPELINE AND ASSOCIATED FACILITIES.

(a) **AUTHORITY TO CONVEY.**—

(1) **IN GENERAL.**—In accordance with all applicable laws and consistent with any terms and conditions provided in the Agreement, the Secretary may convey to the Authority all right, title, and interest of the United States in and to the pipeline and any associated facilities described in the Agreement, including—

- (A) the pumping plant;
- (B) the raw water pipeline from the McGee Creek pumping plant to the rate of flow control station at Lake Atoka;
- (C) the surge tank;
- (D) the regulating tank;
- (E) the McGee Creek operation and maintenance complex, maintenance shop, and pole barn; and
- (F) any other appurtenances, easements, and fee title land associated with the facilities described in subparagraphs (A) through (E), in accordance with the Agreement.

(2) **EXCLUSION OF MINERAL ESTATE FROM CONVEYANCE.**—

(A) **IN GENERAL.**—The mineral estate shall be excluded from the conveyance of any land or facilities under paragraph (1).

(B) **MANAGEMENT.**—Any mineral interests retained by the United States under this Act shall be managed—

- (i) consistent with Federal law; and
- (ii) in a manner that would not interfere with the purposes for which the McGee Creek Project was authorized.

(3) **COMPLIANCE WITH AGREEMENT; APPLICABLE LAW.**—

(A) **AGREEMENT.**—All parties to the conveyance under paragraph (1) shall comply with the terms and conditions of the Agreement, to the extent consistent with this Act.

(B) **APPLICABLE LAW.**—Before any conveyance under paragraph (1), the Secretary shall complete any actions required under—

- (i) the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (42 U.S.C. 4321 et seq.);
- (ii) the Endangered Species Act of 1973 (16 U.S.C. 1531 et seq.);
- (iii) the National Historic Preservation Act (16 U.S.C. 470 et seq.); and
- (iv) any other applicable laws.

(b) **OPERATION OF TRANSFERRED FACILITIES.**—

(1) **IN GENERAL.**—On the conveyance of the land and facilities under subsection (a)(1), the Authority shall comply with all applicable Federal, State, and local laws (including regulations) in the operation of any transferred facilities.

(2) **OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE COSTS.**—

(A) **IN GENERAL.**—After the conveyance of the land and facilities under subsection (a)(1)

and consistent with the Agreement, the Authority shall be responsible for all duties and costs associated with the operation, replacement, maintenance, enhancement, and betterment of the transferred land and facilities.

(B) LIMITATION ON FUNDING.—The Authority shall not be eligible to receive any Federal funding to assist in the operation, replacement, maintenance, enhancement, and betterment of the transferred land and facilities, except for funding that would be available to any comparable entity that is not subject to reclamation laws.

(C) RELEASE FROM LIABILITY.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Effective beginning on the date of the conveyance of the land and facilities under subsection (a)(1), the United States shall not be liable for damages of any kind arising out of any act, omission, or occurrence relating to any land or facilities conveyed, except for damages caused by acts of negligence committed by the United States (including any employee or agent of the United States) before the date of the conveyance.

(2) NO ADDITIONAL LIABILITY.—Nothing in this subsection adds to any liability that the United States may have under chapter 171 of title 28, United States Code.

(D) CONTRACTUAL OBLIGATIONS.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Except as provided in paragraph (2), any rights and obligations under the contract numbered 0-07-50-X0822 and dated October 11, 1979, between the Authority and the United States for the construction, operation, and maintenance of the McGee Creek Project, shall remain in full force and effect.

(2) AMENDMENTS.—With the consent of the Authority, the Secretary may amend the contract described in paragraph (1) to reflect the conveyance of the land and facilities under subsection (a)(1).

(E) APPLICABILITY OF THE RECLAMATION LAWS.—Notwithstanding the conveyance of the land and facilities under subsection (a)(1), the reclamation laws shall continue to apply to any project water provided to the Authority.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to the rule, gentlewoman from California (Mrs. NAPOLITANO) and the gentlewoman from Washington (Mrs. MCMORRIS RODGERS) each will control 20 minutes.

The Chair recognizes the gentlewoman from California.

GENERAL LEAVE

Mrs. NAPOLITANO. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that all Members may have 5 legislative days to revise and extend their remarks and include extraneous material on the bill under consideration.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentlewoman from California?

There was no objection.

Mrs. NAPOLITANO. Mr. Speaker, I yield myself such time as I may consume.

H.R. 2085, as introduced by our colleague, Congresswoman MARY FALLIN of Oklahoma, authorizes the transfer of certain facilities of McGee Creek Project, currently held by the United States through the Bureau of Reclamation. Ownership of these facilities will be transferred to the McGee Creek Authority, which has repaid the costs of building this water supply project. The Bureau of Reclamation testified in sup-

port of this bill at a Water and Power Subcommittee hearing on September 18, 2007, moved out of subcommittee, and received bipartisan support.

We have no objection to passage of H.R. 2085.

I reserve the balance of my time.

Mrs. MCMORRIS RODGERS. Mr. Speaker, this legislation is sponsored by my colleague from the Natural Resources Committee, Congresswoman MARY FALLIN, and I yield to her such time as she may consume to explain the legislation.

Ms. FALLIN. Mr. Speaker, I would like to begin today by thanking Chairman RAHALL of the Natural Resources Committee and Ranking Member DON YOUNG, as well as the Water and Power Subcommittee Chairwoman NAPOLITANO and Ranking Member CATHY MCMORRIS RODGERS for their continued support of this legislation. Finally, I would like to thank Congressman DAN BOREN from Oklahoma for his hard work and assistance on this piece of legislation, too.

In short, H.R. 2085 is a straightforward land transfer, a prepaid bill that is supported by all parties involved. The McGee Creek Project Pipeline and Associated Facilities and Conveyance Act would formally and legally transfer ownership of 23.8 acres of land surrounding McGee Creek Reservoir, as well as facilities like water pipelines, storage space and a pumping plant.

Ownership of these facilities would be transferred from the Federal Bureau of Reclamation to the McGee Creek Authority. This bill does not transfer ownership of either the reservoir or the dam itself. In addition, the costs of the lands, the buildings and the facilities to be transferred have already been paid by the McGee Creek Authority to the Bureau of Reclamation.

This title transfer protects the financial interests of the Federal Government by reducing administrative burdens on reclamation, including periodic facility reviews and the processing of paperwork that consumes significant staff time. It will also ensure that the long-term responsibility for the operation, the maintenance, management and the regulation, as well as the liability for the transferred land and facilities, will rest with the Authority.

Again, this bill is supported by both the Federal Bureau of Reclamation and the locally run McGee Creek Authority, as well as the Oklahoma City residents. In 2006, the Authority and the Bureau of Reclamation signed a memorandum encouraging congressional authorization of a title transfer. H.R. 2085 would formalize that agreement than make it Federal policy.

Mr. Speaker, thank you for your consideration. I now ask my colleagues for their support of H.R. 2085.

Mrs. MCMORRIS RODGERS. Mr. Speaker, having no more speakers, I urge support and yield back the balance of my time.

Mrs. NAPOLITANO. Mr. Speaker, Ms. FALLIN has made a very good point

of her bill, and it does merit support from both sides. So I do request the consideration by our colleagues on this very, very worthwhile project.

I have no further requests for time, and I yield back the balance of my time.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion offered by the gentlewoman from California (Mrs. NAPOLITANO) that the House suspend the rules and pass the bill, H.R. 2085.

The question was taken.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. In the opinion of the Chair, two-thirds being in the affirmative, the ayes have it.

Mrs. NAPOLITANO. Mr. Speaker, on that I demand the yeas and nays.

The yeas and nays were ordered.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 8 of rule XX and the Chair's prior announcement, further proceedings on this motion will be postponed.

WILLIAM WILBERFORCE TRAFFICKING VICTIMS PROTECTION REAUTHORIZATION ACT OF 2007

Ms. JACKSON-LEE of Texas. Mr. Speaker, I move to suspend the rules and pass the bill (H.R. 3887) to authorize appropriations for fiscal years 2008 through 2011 for the Trafficking Victims Protection Act of 2000, to enhance measures to combat forced labor, and for other purposes, as amended.

The Clerk read the title of the bill.

The text of the bill is as follows:

H.R. 3887

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE AND TABLE OF CONTENTS.

(a) SHORT TITLE.—This Act may be cited as the “William Wilberforce Trafficking Victims Protection Reauthorization Act of 2007”.

(b) TABLE OF CONTENTS.—The table of contents for this Act is as follows:

- Sec. 1. Short title and table of contents.
- TITLE I—COMBATING INTERNATIONAL TRAFFICKING IN PERSONS
- Sec. 101. Interagency Task Force to Monitor and Combat Trafficking.
- Sec. 102. Office to Monitor and Combat Trafficking.
- Sec. 103. Prevention and prosecution of trafficking in foreign countries.
- Sec. 104. Assistance for victims of trafficking in other countries.
- Sec. 105. Increasing effectiveness of anti-trafficking programs.
- Sec. 106. Minimum standards for the elimination of trafficking.
- Sec. 107. Actions against governments failing to meet minimum standards.
- Sec. 108. Research on domestic and international trafficking in persons.
- Sec. 109. Presidential Award for Extraordinary Efforts to Combat Trafficking in Persons.
- Sec. 110. Responsibilities of consular officers of the Department of State.
- Sec. 111. Report on activities of the Department of Labor to monitor and combat forced labor and child labor.
- Sec. 112. Sense of Congress regarding multilateral framework between labor exporting and labor importing countries.