

CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE COST ESTIMATE

November 23, 2005

H.R. 1190 San Diego Water Storage and Efficiency Act of 2005

As ordered reported by the House Committee on Resources on November 16, 2005

H.R. 1190 would authorize the Bureau of Reclamation to participate in a water management feasibility study with the city of San Diego, California, and the Sweetwater Authority—a local water retailer. The study would examine the feasibility of connecting the San Vicente, El Capitan, Loveland, and Murray reservoirs. The proposed system of pipelines would import water to underutilized reservoirs and increase overall storage capacity in the area. H.R. 1190 would authorize the appropriation of \$3 million for the federal share of this study.

Assuming appropriation of the specified amount, CBO estimates that implementing H.R. 1190 would cost \$3 million over the 2006-2007 period. Enacting H.R. 1190 would not affect direct spending or revenues.

H.R. 1190 contains no intergovernmental or private-sector mandates as defined in the Unfunded Mandates Reform Act and would impose no costs on state, local, or tribal governments. The bill would authorize funding for a water study that would benefit the city of San Diego and a public water agency. Any costs they might incur through a cooperative agreement would result from complying with conditions for receiving federal assistance.

The CBO staff contact for this estimate is Gregory Waring. This estimate was approved by Peter H. Fontaine, Deputy Assistant Director for Budget Analysis.