



**CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE
COST ESTIMATE**

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**H.R. 1737
City of Oxnard Water Recycling and Desalination Act of 2007**

As passed by the House of Representatives on May 7, 2007

SUMMARY

H.R. 1737 would authorize the Secretary of the Interior to participate in the planning, design, and construction of Phase I of the permanent facilities for the GREAT project to reclaim, reuse, and treat impaired water in the area of Oxnard, California.

Assuming appropriation of the necessary amounts, CBO estimates that implementing the legislation would cost about \$14 million over the 2008-2012 period. Enacting H.R. 1737 would not affect direct spending or revenues.

H.R. 1737 contains no intergovernmental or private-sector mandates as defined in the Unfunded Mandates Reform Act (UMRA). The act would benefit the city of Oxnard, California, and any costs it incurred would result from complying with conditions of federal assistance.

ESTIMATED COST TO THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT

The estimated budgetary impact of H.R. 1737 is shown in the following table. The costs of this legislation fall within budget function 300 (natural resources and environment).

	By Fiscal Year, in Millions of Dollars				
	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012
CHANGES IN SPENDING SUBJECT TO APPROPRIATION					
Estimated Authorization Level	2	3	3	3	3
Estimated Outlays	1	3	4	3	3

BASIS OF ESTIMATE

For this estimate, CBO assumes that the legislation will be enacted before the start of fiscal year 2008 and that the necessary amounts will be appropriated for each year. Assuming appropriation of the necessary amounts, CBO estimates that implementing the legislation would cost about \$14 million over the 2008-2012 period.

H.R. 1737 would authorize the Secretary of the Interior to participate in the planning, design, and construction of Phase I of the permanent facilities for the GREAT project to reclaim, reuse, and treat impaired water in the area of Oxnard, California. Based on information from the Department of the Interior, CBO estimates that the total project would cost about \$57 million.

Under the legislation, the federal share of the cost of the project would be 25 percent. Federal funds would not be available for operation and maintenance of the project and would not be available for the construction, operations, and maintenance of the visitor's center related to the project. The authority of the Secretary to carry out the project would sunset 10 years after the date of the enactment of this section.

INTERGOVERNMENTAL AND PRIVATE-SECTOR IMPACT

H.R. 1737 contains no intergovernmental or private-sector mandates as defined in UMRA. The city of Oxnard, California, would benefit from the water projects authorized in the act. Any costs it incurred, including matching funds, would result from complying with conditions of federal assistance.

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