



**CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE
COST ESTIMATE**

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S. 1865

San Gabriel River Watersheds Study Act of 2002

*As ordered reported by the Senate Committee on Energy and Natural Resources
on July 31, 2002*

S. 1865 would direct the Department of the Interior to study the natural and recreational resources of segments of the San Gabriel Mountains and the San Gabriel River and its tributaries. The study would evaluate options for future management and protection of the two areas. The bill would require the department to report its findings and recommendations within three years of receiving funding for the study.

Assuming the availability of appropriated funds, CBO estimates that it would cost less than \$500,000 over the next three years to complete the required study and report. Enacting the bill would not affect direct spending or receipts; therefore, pay-as-you-go procedures would not apply.

S. 1865 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.

On July 31, 2002, CBO transmitted a cost estimate for H.R. 2534, the San Gabriel River Watershed Study Act of 2002, as ordered reported by the House Committee on Resources on July 24, 2002. H.R. 2534 and S. 1865 are very similar, and the estimated costs of the two pieces of legislation are identical.

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