



DIVISION D—ENERGY AND WATER DEVELOPMENT AND RELATED AGENCIES  
APPROPRIATIONS ACT, 2015  
EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

The following statement to the House of Representatives and the Senate is submitted in explanation of the agreed upon Act making appropriations for energy and water development for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2015, and for other purposes.

The language and allocations set forth in House Report 113–486 carry the same emphasis as the language included in this explanatory statement and should be complied with unless specifically addressed to the contrary herein. Report language included by the House which is not contradicted by the explanatory statement is approved. The explanatory statement, while repeating some report language for emphasis, does not intend to negate the language referred to above unless expressly provided herein. In cases in which the House directed the submission of a report, such report is to be submitted to both the Committees on Appropriations of the House of Representatives and the Senate.

Funds for the individual programs and activities within the accounts in this Act are displayed in the detailed table at the end of the explanatory statement for this Act. Funding levels that are not displayed in the detailed table are identified in this explanatory statement.

In fiscal year 2015, for purposes of the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985 (Public Law 99–177), the following information provides the definition of the term “program, project, or activity” for departments and agencies under the jurisdiction of the Energy and Water Development Appropriations Act. The term “program, project, or activity” shall include the most specific level of budget items identified in the Energy and Water Development Appropriations Act, 2015 and the explanatory statement accompanying the Act.

TITLE II—DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR  
CENTRAL UTAH PROJECT  
CENTRAL UTAH PROJECT COMPLETION ACCOUNT

The agreement includes a total of \$9,874,000 for the Central Utah Project Completion Account, which includes \$7,574,000 for Central Utah Project construction, \$1,000,000 for transfer to the Utah Reclamation Mitigation and Conservation Account for use by the Utah Reclamation Mitigation and Conservation Commission, and \$1,300,000 for necessary expenses of the Secretary of the Interior.

BUREAU OF RECLAMATION

*Persistent Western Drought.*—Extensive and exceptional drought continues to plague the Western United States. The U.S. Drought Monitor for December 2, 2014, shows that only two of the seventeen Reclamation states (Montana and Wyoming) are virtually drought free. All or significant portions of twelve Reclamation states are suffering from severe to exceptional drought with 55 percent of California suffering from persistent exceptional drought conditions.

Drought conditions are difficult to address at the time the drought is occurring, but there are some things that can be done to stretch available water supplies. The Bureau of Reclamation (Reclamation) and the Department of the Interior are encouraged to use all of the flexibility and tools available to mitigate the impacts of this drought. Reclamation is encouraged to examine opportunities for voluntary water conveyances from any state with excess water inventories to meet water use and mitigate drought conditions in Reclamation states. Additional funds have been provided to Reclamation to respond to the impacts of the drought and to work with water districts and other users to provide increased efficiency and conservation of available water.

The only way to mitigate the effects of future droughts, however, is through a strategy of providing a combination of additional storage, improved conveyance, and increased efficiencies in the uses of water both for agriculture and potable purposes. As the West has consistently been the fastest growing part of the country, it is incumbent on Reclamation, as the leading water purveyor in the West, to lead the way in increasing the water that is available from one year to the next and to research and develop more efficient uses of the water that is available.

WATER AND RELATED RESOURCES  
(INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)

The agreement includes \$978,131,000 for Water and Related Resources.

The agreement for Water and Related Resources is shown in the following table:

WATER AND RELATED RESOURCES  
(AMOUNTS IN THOUSANDS)

	BUDGET REQUEST			FINAL BILL		
	RESOURCES MANAGEMENT	FACILITIES OM&R	TOTAL	RESOURCES MANAGEMENT	FACILITIES OM&R	TOTAL
ARIZONA						
AK CHIN INDIAN WATER RIGHTS SETTLEMENT ACT PROJECT	---	14,093	14,093	---	14,093	14,093
COLORADO RIVER BASIN - CENTRAL ARIZONA PROJECT	7,176	458	7,634	7,176	458	7,634
COLORADO RIVER FRONT WORK AND LEVEE SYSTEM	2,100	---	2,100	2,100	---	2,100
SALT RIVER PROJECT	724	250	974	724	250	974
SAN CARLOS APACHE TRIBE WATER SETTLEMENT ACT PROJECT	200	---	200	200	---	200
SIERRA VISTA SUBWATERSHED FEASIBILITY STUDY	2	---	2	2	---	2
YUMA AREA PROJECTS	1,446	22,541	23,987	1,446	22,541	23,987
CALIFORNIA						
CACHUMA PROJECT	647	674	1,321	647	674	1,321
CENTRAL VALLEY PROJECTS:						
AMERICAN RIVER DIVISION, FOLSOM DAM UNIT/MORMON ISLAND	1,577	9,138	10,715	1,577	9,138	10,715
AUBURN-FOLSOM SOUTH UNIT	35	2,184	2,219	35	2,184	2,219
DELTA DIVISION	5,718	5,511	11,229	5,718	5,511	11,229
EAST SIDE DIVISION	1,290	2,772	4,062	1,290	2,772	4,062
FRIANT DIVISION	2,192	3,401	5,593	2,192	3,401	5,593
SAN JOAQUIN RIVER RESTORATION SETTLEMENT	---	---	---	32,000	---	32,000
MISCELLANEOUS PROJECT PROGRAMS	7,596	454	8,050	7,596	454	8,050
REPLACEMENTS, ADDITIONS, AND EXTRAORDINARY MAINT. PROGRAM	---	16,362	16,362	---	16,362	16,362
SACRAMENTO RIVER DIVISION	2,156	944	3,100	2,156	944	3,100
SAN FELIPE DIVISION	372	75	447	372	75	447
SAN JOAQUIN DIVISION	52	---	52	52	---	52
SHASTA DIVISION	720	8,627	9,347	720	8,627	9,347
TRINITY RIVER DIVISION	12,309	4,359	16,668	12,309	4,359	16,668
WATER AND POWER OPERATIONS	4,389	7,393	11,782	4,389	7,393	11,782
WEST SAN JOAQUIN DIVISION, SAN LUIS UNIT	12,917	6,043	18,960	12,917	6,043	18,960
ORLAND PROJECT	---	930	930	---	930	930
SALTON SEA RESEARCH PROJECT	300	---	300	300	---	300
SOLANO PROJECT	1,329	2,367	3,696	1,329	2,367	3,696
VENTURA RIVER PROJECT	313	33	346	313	33	346
COLORADO						
ANIMAS-LA PLATA PROJECT	892	1,637	2,529	892	1,637	2,529
ARMEL UNIT, P-SMBP	20	449	469	20	449	469
COLLBRAN PROJECT	255	1,693	1,948	255	1,693	1,948

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	RESOURCES MANAGEMENT	FACILITIES OM&R	TOTAL	RESOURCES MANAGEMENT	FACILITIES OM&R	TOTAL
COLORADO-BIG THOMPSON PROJECT	207	12,950	13,157	207	12,950	13,157
FRUITGROWERS DAM PROJECT	122	124	246	122	124	246
FRYPAN-ARKANSAS PROJECT	274	8,837	9,111	274	8,837	9,111
FRYPAN-ARKANSAS PROJECT - ARKANSAS VALLEY CONDUIT	500	---	500	500	---	500
GRAND VALLEY UNIT, CRBSCP, TITLE II	244	1,713	1,957	244	1,713	1,957
LEADVILLE/ARKANSAS RIVER RECOVERY PROJECT	---	1,987	1,987	---	1,987	1,987
MANCOS PROJECT	119	182	301	119	182	301
NARROWS UNIT, P-SMBP	---	37	37	---	37	37
PARADOX VALLEY UNIT, CRBSCP, TITLE II	108	2,653	2,761	108	2,653	2,761
PINE RIVER PROJECT	202	326	528	202	326	528
SAN LUIS VALLEY PROJECT, CLOSED BASIN	286	3,616	3,902	286	3,616	3,902
SAN LOUIS VALLEY PROJECT, CONEJOS DIVISION	21	38	59	21	38	59
UNCOMPAHGRE PROJECT	804	191	995	804	191	995
UPPER COLORADO RIVER OPERATIONS PROGRAM	270	---	270	270	---	270
IDAHO						
BOISE AREA PROJECTS	3,237	2,213	5,450	3,237	2,213	5,450
COLUMBIA AND SNAKE RIVER SALMON RECOVERY PROJECT	17,000	---	17,000	17,000	---	17,000
LEWISTON ORCHARDS PROJECTS	425	30	455	425	30	455
MINIDOKA AREA PROJECTS	2,451	4,694	7,145	2,451	4,694	7,145
PRESTON BENCH PROJECT	4	8	12	4	8	12
KANSAS						
ALMENA UNIT, P-SMBP	16	492	508	16	492	508
BOSTWICK UNIT, P-SMBP	239	935	1,174	239	935	1,174
CEDAR BLUFF UNIT, P-SMBP	11	638	649	11	638	649
GLEN ELDER UNIT, P-SMBP	25	1,840	1,865	25	1,840	1,865
KANSAS RIVER UNIT, P-SMBP	---	100	100	---	100	100
KIRWIN UNIT, P-SMBP	19	1,369	1,388	19	1,369	1,388
WEBSTER UNIT, P-SMBP	12	2,873	2,885	12	2,873	2,885
WICHITA PROJECT - CHENEY DIVISION	87	458	545	87	458	545
WICHITA PROJECT - EQUUS BEDS DIVISION	50	---	50	50	---	50
MONTANA						
CANYON FERRY UNIT, P-SMBP	246	5,703	5,949	246	5,703	5,949
EAST BENCH UNIT, P-SMBP	202	660	862	202	660	862
FORT PECK RESERVATION / DRY PRAIRIE RURAL WATER SYSTEM	3,249	---	3,249	3,249	---	3,249

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	RESOURCES MANAGEMENT	FACILITIES OM&R	TOTAL	RESOURCES MANAGEMENT	FACILITIES OM&R	TOTAL
HELENA VALLEY UNIT, P-SMBP	19	163	182	19	163	182
HUNGRY HORSE PROJECT	---	1,014	1,014	---	1,014	1,014
HUNTLEY PROJECT	12	45	57	12	45	57
LOWER MARIAS UNIT, P-SMBP	102	1,622	1,724	102	1,622	1,724
LOWER YELLOWSTONE PROJECT	364	16	380	364	16	380
MILK RIVER PROJECT	548	1,287	1,835	548	1,287	1,835
MISSOURI BASIN O&M, P-SMBP	1,032	269	1,301	1,032	269	1,301
ROCKY BOYS/NORTH CENTRAL MT RURAL WATER SYSTEM	4,059	---	4,059	4,059	---	4,059
SUN RIVER PROJECT	53	256	309	53	256	309
YELLOWTAIL UNIT, P-SMBP	22	7,433	7,455	22	7,433	7,455
NEBRASKA						
AINSWORTH UNIT, P-SMBP	26	138	164	26	138	164
FRENCHMAN-CAMBRIDGE UNIT, P-SMBP	261	2,088	2,349	261	2,088	2,349
MIRAGE FLATS PROJECT	14	116	130	14	116	130
NORTH LOUP UNIT, P-SMBP	52	179	231	52	179	231
NEVADA						
LAHONTAN BASIN PROJECT	5,876	3,925	9,801	5,876	3,925	9,801
LAKE TAHOE REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM	115	---	115	115	---	115
LAKE MEAD /LAS VEGAS WASH PROGRAM	775	---	775	775	---	775
NEW MEXICO						
CARLSBAD PROJECT	2,844	1,295	4,139	2,844	1,295	4,139
EASTERN NEW MEXICO RURAL WATER SUPPLY	47	---	47	47	---	47
MIDDLE RIO GRANDE PROJECT	11,009	11,726	22,735	11,009	11,726	22,735
RIO GRANDE PROJECT	1,224	4,182	5,406	1,224	4,182	5,406
RIO GRANDE PUEBLOS PROJECT	650	---	650	650	---	650
TUCUMCARI PROJECT	23	11	34	23	11	34
NORTH DAKOTA						
DICKINSON UNIT, P-SMBP	404	288	692	404	288	692
GARRISON DIVERSION UNIT, P-SMBP	15,502	6,417	21,919	15,502	6,417	21,919
HEART BUTTE UNIT, P-SMBP	6	1,139	1,145	6	1,139	1,145

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	RESOURCES MANAGEMENT	FACILITIES OM&R	TOTAL	RESOURCES MANAGEMENT	FACILITIES OM&R	TOTAL
OKLAHOMA						
ARBUCKLE PROJECT	69	189	258	69	189	258
MCGEE CREEK PROJECT	90	796	886	90	796	886
MOUNTAIN PARK PROJECT	25	584	609	25	584	609
NORMAN PROJECT	48	311	359	48	311	359
WASHITA BASIN PROJECT	160	1,058	1,218	160	1,058	1,218
W.C. AUSTIN PROJECT	59	631	690	59	631	690
OREGON						
CROOKED RIVER PROJECT	267	451	718	267	451	718
DESCHUTES PROJECT	292	269	561	292	269	561
EASTERN OREGON PROJECTS	584	232	816	584	232	816
KLAMATH PROJECT	13,390	4,610	18,000	13,390	4,610	18,000
ROGUE RIVER BASIN PROJECT, TALENT DIVISION	1,527	602	2,129	1,527	602	2,129
TUALATIN PROJECT	130	642	772	130	642	772
UMATILLA PROJECT	521	3,161	3,682	521	3,161	3,682
SOUTH DAKOTA						
ANGOSTURA UNIT, P-SMBP	266	790	1,056	266	790	1,056
BELLE FOURCHE UNIT, P-SMBP	255	685	940	255	685	940
KEYHOLE UNIT, P-SMBP	196	558	754	196	558	754
LEWIS AND CLARK RURAL WATER SYSTEM	2,432	---	2,432	2,432	---	2,432
MID-DAKOTA RURAL WATER PROJECT	---	15	15	---	15	15
MINI WICONI PROJECT	---	12,000	12,000	---	12,000	12,000
OAHE UNIT, P-SMBP	39	55	94	39	55	94
RAPID VALLEY PROJECT	---	92	92	---	92	92
RAPID VALLEY UNIT, P-SMBP	---	223	223	---	223	223
SHADEHILL UNIT, P-SMBP	75	511	586	75	511	586
TEXAS						
BALMORHEA PROJECT	25	15	40	25	15	40
CANADIAN RIVER PROJECT	84	85	169	84	85	169
LOWER RIO GRANDE WATER CONSERVATION PROGRAM	50	---	50	50	---	50
NUECES RIVER PROJECT	87	787	874	87	787	874
SAN ANGELO PROJECT	57	537	594	57	537	594

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	RESOURCES MANAGEMENT	FACILITIES OM&R	TOTAL	RESOURCES MANAGEMENT	FACILITIES OM&R	TOTAL
UTAH						
HYRUM PROJECT	180	173	353	180	173	353
MOON LAKE PROJECT	12	85	97	12	85	97
NEWTON PROJECT	33	94	127	33	94	127
OGDEN RIVER PROJECT	240	262	502	240	262	502
PROVO RIVER PROJECT	1,260	448	1,708	1,260	448	1,708
SANPETE PROJECT	60	11	71	60	11	71
SCOFIELD PROJECT	406	84	490	406	84	490
STRAWBERRY VALLEY PROJECT	822	100	922	822	100	922
WEBER BASIN PROJECT	1,096	1,111	2,207	1,096	1,111	2,207
WEBER RIVER PROJECT	60	86	146	60	86	146
WASHINGTON						
COLUMBIA BASIN PROJECT	3,875	7,196	11,071	3,875	7,196	11,071
WASHINGTON AREA PROJECTS	565	78	643	565	78	643
YAKIMA PROJECT	806	6,836	7,642	806	6,836	7,642
YAKIMA RIVER BASIN WATER ENHANCEMENT PROJECT	11,000	---	11,000	11,000	---	11,000
WYOMING						
BOYSEN UNIT, P-SMBP	231	1,791	2,022	231	1,791	2,022
BUFFALO BILL DAM DAM MODIFICATION, P-SMBP	32	2,812	2,844	32	2,812	2,844
KENDRICK PROJECT	107	3,582	3,689	107	3,582	3,689
NORTH PLATTE PROJECT	205	2,270	2,475	205	2,270	2,475
NORTH PLATTE AREA, P-SMBP	111	4,886	4,997	111	4,886	4,997
OWL CREEK UNIT, P-SMBP	6	95	101	6	95	101
RIVERTON UNIT, P-SMBP	12	632	644	12	632	644
SHOSHONE PROJECT	72	771	843	72	771	843
SUBTOTAL, PROJECTS	184,115	273,956	458,071	216,115	273,956	490,071
REGIONAL PROGRAMS						
ADDITIONAL FUNDING FOR ONGOING WORK						
RURAL WATER	---	---	---	31,000	---	31,000
FISH PASSAGE AND FISH SCREENS	---	---	---	4,000	---	4,000
WATER CONSERVATION AND DELIVERY	---	---	---	8,000	---	8,000
ENVIRONMENTAL RESTORATION AND COMPLIANCE	---	---	---	1,000	---	1,000

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	RESOURCES MANAGEMENT	FACILITIES OM&R	TOTAL	RESOURCES MANAGEMENT	FACILITIES OM&R	TOTAL
WESTERN DROUGHT RESPONSE	---	---	---	50,000	---	50,000
FACILITIES OPERATION, MAINTENANCE, AND REHABILITATION	---	---	---	---	2,931	2,931
COLORADO RIVER BASIN SALINITY CONTROL PROJECT, TITLE I	---	12,670	12,670	---	12,670	12,670
COLORADO RIVER BASIN SALINITY CONTROL PROJECT, TITLE II	6,360	---	6,360	6,360	---	6,360
COLORADO RIVER STORAGE PROJECT (CRSP), SECTION 5	4,103	5,592	9,695	4,103	5,592	9,695
COLORADO RIVER STORAGE PROJECT (CRSP), SECTION 8	3,088	---	3,088	3,088	---	3,088
COLORADO RIVER WATER QUALITY IMPROVEMENT PROJECT	620	---	620	620	---	620
DAM SAFETY PROGRAM:						
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR DAM SAFETY PROGRAM	---	1,100	1,100	---	1,100	1,100
INITIATE SAFETY OF DAMS CORRECTIVE ACTION	---	62,000	62,000	---	62,000	62,000
SAFETY EVALUATION OF EXISTING DAMS	---	19,784	19,784	---	19,784	19,784
EMERGENCY PLANNING & DISASTER RESPONSE PROGRAM	---	1,250	1,250	---	1,250	1,250
ENDANGERED SPECIES RECOVERY IMPLEMENTATION PROGRAM	22,677	---	22,677	22,677	---	22,677
ENVIRONMENTAL PROGRAM ADMINISTRATION	1,736	---	1,736	1,736	---	1,736
EXAMINATION OF EXISTING STRUCTURES	---	8,989	8,989	---	8,989	8,989
GENERAL PLANNING ACTIVITIES	2,000	---	2,000	2,000	---	2,000
INDIAN WATER RIGHTS SETTLEMENTS:						
AAMODT LITIGATION SETTLEMENT	---	---	---	3,000	---	3,000
CROW TRIBE RIGHTS	---	---	---	2,000	---	2,000
NAVAJO-GALLUP	---	---	---	81,000	---	81,000
TAOS PUEBLO	---	---	---	4,000	---	4,000
LAND RESOURCES MANAGEMENT PROGRAM	9,657	---	9,657	9,657	---	9,657
LOWER COLORADO RIVER OPERATIONS PROGRAM	28,345	---	28,345	28,345	---	28,345
MISCELLANEOUS FLOOD CONTROL OPERATIONS	---	846	846	---	846	846
NATIVE AMERICAN AFFAIRS PROGRAM	8,088	---	8,088	8,088	---	8,088
NEGOTIATION & ADMINISTRATION OF WATER MARKETING	1,984	---	1,984	1,984	---	1,984
OPERATION & PROGRAM MANAGEMENT	951	1,653	2,604	951	1,653	2,604
POWER PROGRAM SERVICES	2,193	307	2,500	2,193	307	2,500
PUBLIC ACCESS AND SAFETY PROGRAM	657	206	863	657	206	863
RECLAMATION LAW ADMINISTRATION	2,329	---	2,329	2,329	---	2,329
RECREATION & FISH & WILDLIFE PROGRAM ADMINISTRATION	2,409	---	2,409	2,409	---	2,409
RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT:						
DESALINATION AND WATER PURIFICATION PROGRAM	1,753	1,150	2,903	1,753	1,150	2,903
SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY PROGRAM	9,765	---	9,765	9,765	---	9,765
SITE SECURITY ACTIVITIES	---	26,220	26,220	---	26,220	26,220
UNITED STATES/MEXICO BORDER ISSUES - TECHNICAL SUPPORT	90	---	90	90	---	90
WATERSMART PROGRAM:						
WATERSMART GRANTS	19,000	---	19,000	19,000	---	19,000
WATER CONSERVATION FIELD SERVICES PROGRAM	4,457	---	4,457	4,457	---	4,457
COOPERATIVE WATERSHED MANAGEMENT	250	---	250	250	---	250

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	RESOURCES MANAGEMENT	FACILITIES OM&R	TOTAL	RESOURCES MANAGEMENT	FACILITIES OM&R	TOTAL
BASIN STUDIES	3,850	---	3,850	3,850	---	3,850
DROUGHT RESPONSE & COMPREHENSIVE DROUGHT PLANS	1,500	---	1,500	---	---	---
RESILIENT INFRASTRUCTURE INVESTMENTS	---	1,500	1,500	---	1,500	1,500
TITLE XVI WATER RECLAMATION & REUSE PROGRAM	21,500	---	21,500	21,500	---	21,500
<b>SUBTOTAL, REGIONAL PROGRAMS</b>	<b>159,362</b>	<b>143,267</b>	<b>302,629</b>	<b>341,862</b>	<b>146,198</b>	<b>488,060</b>
<b>TOTAL, WATER AND RELATED RESOURCES</b>	<b>343,477</b>	<b>417,223</b>	<b>760,700</b>	<b>557,977</b>	<b>420,154</b>	<b>978,131</b>

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*Central Valley Project, Friant Division, San Joaquin River Restoration.*—The agreement does not include a separate account for this item. Funding is included in the Water and Related Resources account as a separate line item under the Friant Division of the Central Valley Project.

*Middle Rio Grande, New Mexico.*—The agreement encourages development and implementation of the Water Acquisition Program along the Middle Rio Grande and San Juan Chama Projects and the Physical Habitat Restoration and Management efforts along the San Acacia Reach consistent with fiscal year 2014 activities.

*Scoggins Dam, Tualatin Project, Oregon.*—As part of its Dam Safety Program, Reclamation is working on a Corrective Action Alternatives Study (CAS) for Scoggins Dam, the main feature of the Tualatin Project. Working with local stakeholders, Reclamation is evaluating how water supply objectives, such as increased storage, may be coordinated with CAS implementation. Phase two of the CAS, including appraisal level designs and cost estimates, currently is scheduled to be completed in fiscal year 2016. With that date in mind, Reclamation should submit legislative language to the appropriate congressional committees as soon as it becomes clear such authorization is necessary and advisable so that dam safety work can be addressed concurrently with additional storage capacity.

*Yakima River Basin Water Enhancement Project, Washington.*—The Yakima River Basin Integrated Water Resource Management Plan is recognized as an innovative water management plan representing the culmination of years of collaboration among Yakima Basin stakeholders. The Department of the Interior and the Bureau of Reclamation are encouraged to request funding in future budgets to support additional authorized elements of the Plan. Federal funding should be used in combination with stakeholder funding to ensure continued implementation of a balanced plan including water storage and water supply reliability, habitat and watershed conservation, fish passage, and appropriate land acquisition activities to support agriculture, fish, and municipalities within the Yakima River Basin in Central Washington.

*Additional Funding for Water and Related Resources Work.*—The agreement includes funds in addition to the budget request for Water and Related Resources studies, projects, and activities. Priority in allocating these funds should be given to advance and complete ongoing work; improve water supply reliability; improve water deliveries; enhance national, regional, or local economic development; promote job growth; advance tribal and nontribal water settlement studies and activities; or address critical backlog maintenance and rehabilitation activities. Funding provided under the heading “Western Drought Response” may be allocated to any authorized purposes, but shall be allocated to those activities that will have the most direct, most immediate, and largest impact on extending limited water supplies during current drought conditions. Funding included in the budget request under “Drought Response and Comprehensive Plans” is incorporated into this line item. Reclamation is encouraged to use all available authorities to provide for additional water supplies through conservation, minor changes to the operations of existing projects, drilling emergency wells, or other means authorized under current law. This additional funding may be used alone or in combination with any other funding provided in a program, project, or

activity. For rural water projects, Reclamation shall not use the ability of a non-federal sponsor to contribute funds in excess of the authorized non-federal cost-share as a criterion for prioritizing these funds. Not later than 45 days after enactment of this Act, Reclamation shall provide to the Committees on Appropriations of the House of Representatives and the Senate a report delineating how these funds are to be distributed, in which phase the work is to be accomplished, and an explanation of the criteria and rankings used to justify each allocation.

*Indian Water Rights Settlements.*—The agreement includes funds for these activities in the Water and Related Resources account, instead of in a separate account as proposed in the budget request. To maintain the visibility of these projects, the agreement includes the four projects under the Regional Programs heading with a subheading called Indian Water Rights Settlements.

*Buried Metallic Water Pipe.*—Reclamation again is directed to act in a manner consistent with the direction provided in the fiscal year 2012 and 2014 Acts regarding buried metallic water pipe. That direction included, among other things, the requirement for an objective, independently peer-reviewed analysis of pipeline reliability standards. Reclamation is reminded that this study, including all data assembly and analysis must be conducted by an appropriate, independent third-party. Reclamation and its contractors involved in these efforts are expected to protect business-sensitive data that is collected during this process.

*Rural Water.*—Voluntary funding in excess of legally required cost shares for rural water projects is acceptable, but shall not be used by Reclamation as a criterion for budgeting in future years.

*Zebra and Quagga Mussels.*—Reclamation has completed, is working on, and intends to initiate additional invasive mussel vulnerability assessments at numerous federal dams in the Pacific Northwest. Reclamation is encouraged to continue these efforts.

CENTRAL VALLEY PROJECT RESTORATION FUND

The agreement provides \$56,995,000 for the Central Valley Project Restoration Fund.

CALIFORNIA BAY-DELTA RESTORATION  
(INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)

The agreement provides \$37,000,000 for the California Bay-Delta Restoration Program.

POLICY AND ADMINISTRATION

The agreement provides \$58,500,000 for Policy and Administration.

BUREAU OF RECLAMATION LOAN PROGRAM ACCOUNT  
(INCLUDING RESCISSION OF FUNDS)

The agreement includes a rescission of \$500,000 in unobligated balances.

ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISION

The agreement includes a provision limiting the Bureau of Reclamation to purchase not more than five passenger vehicles for replacement only.

GENERAL PROVISIONS—DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

The agreement includes a provision outlining the circumstances under which the Bureau of Reclamation may reprogram funds.

The agreement includes a provision regarding the San Luis Unit and Kesterson Reservoir in California.

The agreement includes a provision regarding an authorization of appropriations under the Secure Water Act of 2009.

The agreement includes a technical correction regarding the Reclamation States Emergency Drought Relief Act of 1991.

The agreement includes a provision extending authorization of the Calfed Bay-Delta Authorization Act.

The agreement includes a provision regarding pilot projects in the Colorado River Basin.