



Senate Appropriations Committee Approves
Over \$625 Million for California Water Projects,
Including \$73 Million for CALFED-Related Projects

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Washington, DC – U.S. Senator Dianne Feinstein (D-Calif.) announced that more than \$625 million to improve California water resources, including \$73 million for CALFED-related projects, was included in a \$31.245 billion energy and water appropriations bill that the Senate Appropriations Committee approved today.

“This bill provides a major infusion of federal dollars into California water projects,” Senator Feinstein said. **“For CALFED, this bill provides the first installment of a \$395 million commitment to implement a balanced program on California water. It means funding for studies into water storage projects, environmental restoration, and new recycling and desalination projects. I am grateful to the committee for providing this funding.”**

“This has been a wet year in most parts of California. It is absolutely critical that we be able to store this water for use in the dry years. This is the only way that we will be able to avert a water crisis similar to the energy crisis we experienced a few years ago.”

“Despite the funding for California water, there are two major concerns I have with the bill. First, it cuts \$217 million for the National Ignition Facility. I am very concerned about this cut, and I am hopeful that we can remedy this as the bill makes its way through Congress.”

“Second, the bill contains \$4 million for the Robust Nuclear Earth Penetrator and \$7.8 million for the Modern Pit Facility. These programs send a message to the world that this Administration wants to reopen the nuclear door. They encourage the very proliferation we seek to prevent. In my view this is a terrible mistake, and I will work to remove this funding on the floor.”

The FY '06 Energy and Water Appropriations Bill includes the following funding for California water projects:

- \$297 million for Bureau of Reclamation projects;
- \$207 million for Army Corps of Engineers construction projects;
- \$100 million for Army Corps of Engineers operations and maintenance projects; and

- \$20 million for Army Corps of Engineers preliminary study and design projects.

CALFED

Congress approved legislation sponsored by Senator Feinstein authorizing \$395 million over six years for CALFED last year. The FY '06 Energy and Water Appropriations Bill provides a total of \$73 million in CALFED-related projects, including \$37 million for the Bureau of Reclamation's California Bay-Delta Restoration Account and \$36 million for other Bureau and Army Corps of Engineers projects.

The following CALFED-related projects were requested in the President's Budget and are expected to be funded in the next year.

- \$2.5 million for the Upper San Joaquin Storage Study
- \$300,000 for the Sites Reservoir Storage Study
- \$4 million for the Shasta Enlargement Study
- \$3.2 million for the Los Vaqueros Reservoir Expansion Study
- \$10 million for the Environmental Water Account
- \$4.743 million for Ecosystem Restoration
- \$600,000 for the San Luis Reservoir Low Point Study
- \$900,000 for the CVP/State Water Project Intertie Study
- \$13 million for the Hamilton Airfield Wetlands Restoration
- \$2.383 million for the Tracy Facilities Mitigation
- \$650,000 for Long Beach Recycling
- \$3.5 million for the San Diego Area Water Reclamation and Reuse Program
- \$500,000 for the San Gabriel Basin Project

In addition, the following CALFED-related projects were specifically funded in the bill:

- \$1 million for the Delta Smelt Study and Restoration in addition to \$4 million for the Interagency Ecological Program contained in the President's budget request
- \$1 million for Westside Drainage and Salinity Reduction in the San Joaquin River
- \$750,000 for the Army Corps of Engineers to identify high priority Delta levee stability projects
- \$2.5 million for the Sacramento Valley Integrated Regional Water Management Plan
- \$750,000 for the Hamilton City Flood Control and Habitat Restoration
- \$2 million for the Calleguas Water Recycling Project (as compared to \$1.35 million in the President's budget request)
- \$2.25 for the Orange County Groundwater Replenishment System (as compared to \$1.25 million in the President's budget request)
- \$1.25 million for the Long Beach Desalination Project
- \$1 million for the San Jose Area Water Reclamation and Reuse Project (as compared to \$300,000 in the President's budget request)
- \$2.5 million for the North San Diego County Area Water Recycling Project (as compared to \$1.25 million in the President's budget request)
- \$150,000 for the Mission Springs Water Reuse Project

- \$160,000 for the Pasadena Reclaimed Water Project

Other Bureau of Reclamation projects funded in the bill include:

- \$2.5 million for the Trinity River Mainstream Fishery Restoration Program
- \$3 million for Lake Tahoe Regional Wetlands (as compared to \$100,00 in the President's budget request)
- \$52.219 million for the Central Valley Project Restoration Fund
- \$1 million for the Salton Sea Research Project
- \$4.635 million for the Solano Project
- \$1.576 million for the Cachuma Project
- \$961,000 for the Orland Project
- \$500,000 for Lake Cachuma Water and Sewage Treatment
- \$550,000 for the Southern California Investigations Program
- \$596,000 for the Ventura River Project
- \$250,000 for the Napa-Sonoma-Marin Agricultural Reuse Project

Army Corps of Engineers (Partial List)

The Army Corps of Engineers projects in California (other than the CALFED projects listed above) that are funded in the bill include:

Preliminary Study and Design

- \$800,000 for the South San Francisco Bay Shoreline Study, South Bay Salt Pond Restoration Project
- \$250,000 for the Humboldt Bay Long-Term Shoal Management Study
- \$275,000 for the Inglewood Transmission Pipelines
- \$1.2 million for the Yuba River Basin
- \$160,000 for the Norwalk Central Transmission Main
- \$348,000 for the Morro Bay Estuary
- \$600,000 for the Los Angeles County Regional Dredged Materials Management Plan
- \$200,000 for the Carpinteria Beach Shoreline Study
- \$800,000 for the Matilija Dam Removal
- \$1.72 million for the Tahoe Basin
- \$500,000 for Tahoe Regional Planning

Construction

- \$3 million for the San Ramon Valley Water Recycling Project
- \$7 million for the Upper Newport Bay Harbor Restoration
- \$42 million for the Oakland Harbor 50 Foot Navigation Improvement
- \$2.732 million for the Port of Los Angeles Channel Deepening
- \$1 million for the Bascule Bridge Replacement in West Sacramento
- \$16 million for Napa River Flood Control
- \$5 million for South Sacramento County Streams
- \$3 million for American River Watershed Common Features
- \$15.85 million for American River Watershed Folsom Dam Modifications

- \$350,000 for the York Creek Dam Removal
- \$5 million for Murrieta Creek Flood Control
- \$8 million for Dam Safety at Success Dam, Tule River
- \$12 million for American River Watershed Folsom Dam Mini Raise
- \$5 million for Stockton Metropolitan Flood Control Reimbursement
- \$5.2 million for Tahoe Basin Restoration

Operations and Maintenance

- \$500,000 for Port San Luis Harbor Breakwater Repair

Environmental Infrastructure

- \$4 million for the Harbor/South Bay Recycling Project

Department of Energy

Department of Energy projects in California that were funded in the bill include:

- \$5 million for Renewable Energy Production Incentives
- \$2.5 million for the Super Nova Acceleration Probe Joint Dark Energy Mission
- \$83 million for the Stanford Linear Accelerator Coherent Light Source Project
- \$500,000 for the Lake County Full Circle Project
- \$7 million for the UCLA Institute for Molecular Medicine

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