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H. R. 839

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

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Received; read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural
Resources

AN ACT

To authorize the Secretary of the Interior to study the feasibility of enlarging the Arthur V. Watkins Dam Weber Basin Project, Utah, to provide additional water for the Weber Basin Project to fulfill the purposes for which that project was authorized.

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

1 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

2 This Act may be cited as the “Arthur V. Watkins
3 Dam Enlargement Act”.

4 **SEC. 2. FINDINGS.**

5 Congress finds the following:

6 (1) Arthur V. Watkins Dam is a feature of the
7 Weber Basin Project, which was authorized by law
8 on August 29, 1949.

9 (2) Increasing the height of Arthur V. Watkins
10 Dam and construction of pertinent facilities may
11 provide additional storage capacity for the develop-
12 ment of additional water supply for the Weber Basin
13 Project for uses of municipal and industrial water
14 supply, flood control, fish and wildlife, and recre-
15 ation.

16 **SEC. 3. AUTHORIZATION OF FEASIBILITY STUDY.**

17 The Secretary of the Interior, acting through the Bu-
18 reau of Reclamation, is authorized to conduct a feasibility
19 study on raising the height of Arthur V. Watkins Dam
20 for the development of additional storage to meet water
21 supply needs within the Weber Basin Project area and the
22 Wasatch Front. The feasibility study shall include such
23 environmental evaluation as required under the National
24 Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (42 U.S.C. 4321 et
25 seq.) and a cost allocation as required under the Reclama-
26 tion Project Act of 1939 (43 U.S.C. 485 et seq.).

1 **SEC. 4. COST SHARES.**

2 (a) FEDERAL SHARE.—The Federal share of the
3 costs of the study authorized in section 3 shall not exceed
4 50 percent of the total cost of the study.

5 (b) IN-KIND CONTRIBUTIONS.—The Secretary shall
6 accept, as appropriate, in-kind contributions of goods or
7 services from the Weber Basin Water Conservancy Dis-
8 trict. Such goods and services accepted under this section
9 shall be counted as part of the non-Federal cost share for
10 the study.

11 **SEC. 5. AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.**

12 There is authorized to be appropriated to the Sec-
13 retary \$1,000,000 for the Federal cost share of the study
14 authorized in section 3.

15 **SEC. 6. SUNSET.**

16 The authority of the Secretary to carry out any provi-
17 sions of this Act shall terminate 10 years after the date
18 of the enactment of this Act.

Passed the House of Representatives March 19,
2007.

Attest:

LORRAINE C. MILLER,

Clerk.