



H.R. 2643 – Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies Appropriations Bill for FY2008

Executive Summary

The House will consider H.R. 2643, the Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies Appropriations Bill for FY2008, on June 26, 2007, under an open rule. H.R. 2643 provides \$27.6 billion in discretionary funding for Interior, Environment, and related agencies in fiscal year 2008, which is \$1.9 billion, or 7.5 percent, more than the President requested. It also represents a \$1.2 billion increase over FY2007.

The bill provides \$2.8 billion for wildfire preparedness – \$111 million more than the Administration requested and \$199 million more than provided for FY2007. It also provides \$2.5 billion for the National Park Services, which is \$148 million above the President's request and \$222 million above the FY2007 enacted level. The committee report includes language encouraging the EPA to issue a waiver by December 31, 2007, for the State of California to increase vehicle emissions standards, which are stronger than the national standards.

Concerns have been raised regarding a number of provisions in the bill, including 1) the significant increase in overall funding 2) the inclusion of a Global Climate Change Sense of Congress; and 3) provisions that would delay or even prevent energy exploration in Alaska's North Aleutian OCS Planning Area.

The Democrats' overall 302(b) allocation levels for FY2008 represent an \$83 billion increase over the 2007 enacted budget levels. While Democrats defend this substantial increase by claiming domestic programs have been starved in recent years, the reality is that domestic discretionary spending has increased 40 % – or 12 % in real dollars – since 2001. The Administration has threatened to veto any appropriations bill with more funding than requested.

H.R. 2643 is the first of the FY2008 appropriations bill to contain earmarks during its consideration on the floor. This bill contains 321 earmarks, including those from the Administration, which comes to an overall total of \$119 million for requested projects. The bill contains 229 earmarks requested by House Members. Democrats have also included 92 earmarks from the Administration.

(Please note that a running list of amendments offered during floor debate will also be available on our [website](#).)

Floor Situation

H.R. 2643 is being considered on the floor pursuant to an open rule. The rule:

- Provides one hour of general debate equally divided and controlled by the Chairman and Ranking Member of the Committee on Appropriations.
- Waives all points of order against its consideration of the bill except for clauses 9 (earmarks) and 10 (PAYGO) of Rule XXI.
- During amendment consideration, the Chairman may give priority in recognition to Members who pre-printed his or her amendment(s).
- Waives points of order against provisions that fail to comply with clause 2 of rule XXI.

Note: This provision waives the House Rule that prohibits authorizing language in an appropriations bill. All Republican Ranking Members of authorizing committees signed a letter in object to this tactic.

- Provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions.
- Provides that, notwithstanding the operation of the previous question, the Chair may postpone further consideration of the bill to a time designated by the Speaker.

The bill was introduced by Representative Norman Dicks (D-WA) on June 11, 2007. The House Committee on Appropriations reported H.R. 2643 on June 11, 2007.

The bill is expected to be considered on the floor on June 26, 2007.

Summary

Overall Funding Levels:

| | FY2008 | President's request | FY2007 Level |
|----------------------------|----------------|----------------------------|---------------------|
| Total | \$27.6 billion | \$25.7 billion | \$26.4 billion |
| Department of the Interior | \$10.2 billion | \$9.7 billion | \$9.9 billion |
| EPA | \$8.1 billion | \$7.2 billion | \$7.7 billion |
| Related agencies | \$9.4 billion | \$8.8 billion | N/A |

Title I – Department of the Interior

| | FY2008 | President's request | FY2007 Level |
|--|---------------|----------------------------|---------------------|
| Bureau of Land Management | \$1.8 billion | \$1.8 billion | \$1.9 billion |
| Fish and Wildlife Services | \$1.4 billion | \$1.3 billion | \$1.3 billion |
| National Park Service | \$2.5 billion | \$2.4 billion | \$2.3 billion |
| US Geological Survey | \$1 billion | \$975 million | \$988 million |
| Minerals Management Service | \$67 million | \$161 million | \$160 million |
| Office of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement | \$170 million | \$168 million | \$295 million |
| Bureau of Indian Affairs | \$2.3 billion | \$2.2 billion | \$2.3 billion |

- **Bureau of Land Management:** Provides for a cap on the funds made available for oil and gas activities; there will not be an expansion of oil and gas drilling under this provision. The bill also requires that wilderness and wilderness quality lands should not be used for drilling unless less sensitive areas are not available.

This provision will restore the funding levels of the wild horses and burros to previous levels.

- **Fire Fighting:** The bill provides \$2.8 billion for wildfire preparedness – \$111 million more than the Administration requested and \$199 million more than provided for FY2007. It is important to note that funding for wildfire suppression is provided under both Bureau of Land Management and the Forest Service.
- **National Park Services:** The bill provides \$2.5 billion for the National Park Services, which is \$148 million above the President’s request and \$222 million above the FY2007 enacted level. This is the largest appropriation for the National Park Services in its history.

The bill provides \$50 million for the Centennial Challenge to enhance the National Parks for the 100th anniversary of the National Park Service in 2016. This is a 10-year, \$3 billion project initiated by the Administration.

- **US Geological Survey:** The bill provides \$10 million for climate change research. These funds may be used to support the National Global Warming and Wildlife Science Center.

- **Royalty and Offshore Mineral Management:** The Committee Report includes language that delays oil or gas drilling in Alaska's Bristol Bay until after comprehensive studies on the safety and environmental effects of drilling have been completed. This provision was added as an amendment during the committee markup.
- **Bureau of Indian Affairs:** The bill appropriates \$699 million for Native American education, including: \$16.5 million for the Johnston-O'Malley assistance, \$3 million for early childhood development, and \$5 million for scholarships and adult education.
- **Outer Continental Shelf:** Continues the prohibition of expenditure of funds for Outer Continental Shelf leasing activities for California, the North Atlantic, Washington, Oregon, and the Gulf of Mexico near Florida.
- **Oil and Gas Leases:** Continues the prohibition of expenditure of funds for oil and gas leasing activities in the Mid-Atlantic and South Atlantic planning areas.
- **Federal Royalties for Energy Development:** The bill contains language prohibiting the Interior Department from issuing new leases for oil or gas. This provision is aimed at forcing energy companies to renegotiate new leases that would include the payment of federal royalties. During the 1990's, the Interior Department issued leases that suspended royalty payments to the federal government in order to spur energy production.

Title II – Environmental Protection Agency

- **Commission on Climate Change:** The bill establishes a Commission on Climate Change Adaptation and Mitigation to analyze the science needs of the federal government with regard to climate change adaptation and mitigation. This Commission is chartered through September 30, 2009, and is provided \$50 million. It was not requested by the Administration and received no funding in previous years. The Commission is to make two sets of recommendations to Congress. On July 1, 2008, the EPA will transfer \$45 million of the funding to federal agencies to carry out the Commission's recommendations.
- **State Grants:** The bill provides \$3.4 billion for State and tribal assistance grants, which is \$667 million more than the Administration requested and \$206 million more than appropriated for FY2007. The grants support environmental programs and infrastructure projects for environmental protection.
- **California Emissions Standards:** The committee report includes language encouraging the EPA to issue a waiver by December 31, 2007, for the State of California to increase vehicle emissions standards, which are stronger than the national standards. This language was added by an amendment during Committee markup.
- **Hazardous Substance Superfund:** The bill allocates over \$1.27 billion for the Hazardous Substance Superfund, \$27 million above the amount requested and \$17

million above the 2007 level. The Superfund is the EPA's largest single program and is charged with cleaning up the nation's hazardous waste sites.

Title III – Related Agencies

Department of Agriculture, Forest Service

- Wildland Fire Management is funded at \$1.9 billion, which is \$106 million above the President's request, and \$151 million above the FY2007 enacted level.
- This appropriation funds wildfire preparation, wildfire suppression and the rehabilitation of land after a fire.

Department of Health and Human Services, Indian Health Services

- Indian Health Services is funded at \$3.4 billion, which is \$114 million more than the President's request and \$204 million more than the FY2007 enacted level.
- Restores the Indian Urban Health clinics and funds these clinics at \$34 million.
- Includes an increase of \$25 million for the Indian Health Care Improvement Fund.

Smithsonian Institute

- The Smithsonian Institute is appropriated \$652 million, which is \$26 million less than the President's request and \$17.5 million more than the FY2007 enacted level.
- Requires a report to Congress on the Institutions issues of sole-sourcing and competitive process regarding its business ventures.

Title V – Climate Change Sense of Congress

The Congress finds that:

- Greenhouse gases accumulating in the atmosphere are causing average temperatures to rise at a rate outside the range of natural variability and are posing a substantial risk of rising sea-levels, altered patterns of atmospheric and oceanic circulation, and increased frequency and severity of floods, droughts, and wildfires;
- There is a growing scientific consensus that human activity is a substantial cause of greenhouse gas accumulation in the atmosphere; and,
- Mandatory steps will be required to slow or stop the growth of greenhouse gas emissions into the atmosphere.

It is the sense of the Congress that there should be enacted a comprehensive and effective national program of mandatory, market-based limits and incentives on emissions of greenhouse gases that slow, stop, and reverse the growth of such emissions at a rate and in a manner that:

- Will not significantly harm the United States economy; and,
- Will encourage comparable action by other nations that are major trading partners and key contributors to global emissions.

Amendments Pre-Printed in the Congressional Record

Rep. Salazar (D-CO): The amendment prohibits funds in this bill from being used to open to oil and gas leasing any lands in Colorado.

Rep. Udall (D-CO): The amendment prohibits funds in this bill from being used to provide leasing regulations in the US.

Rep. Udall (D-CO): The amendment prohibits funds in this bill from being used to implement Bureau of Land Management regulations on Recordable Disclaimers of Interest in Land (subpart 1864 of part 1860 of title 43, Code of Federal Regulations) with respect to a claimed Revised Statute (R.S.) 2477 right-of-way or to issue a non-binding determination pursuant to the Secretary of the Interior's Memorandum to Assistant Secretaries dated March 22, 2006, revoking the Department of the Interior's previous Interim Departmental Policy on Revised Statute 2477 Grant of Right-of-Way for Public Highways.

Rep. Conaway (R-TX): The amendment expresses the sense of the House of Representatives that any funding reductions from amendments should be dedicated to deficit reduction.

Rep. Conaway (R-TX): The amendment would strike Section 104. Section 104 prohibits funds from being used for offshore preleasing, leasing and related activities placed under restriction in the President's moratorium statement of June 12, 1998 in the areas of northern, central, and southern California; the North Atlantic; Washington and Oregon; and the eastern Gulf of Mexico.

Rep. Conaway (R-TX): The amendment would strike Section 105. Section 105 prohibits funds from being used to conduct oil and natural gas preleasing, leasing and relating activities in the Min-Atlantic and South Atlantic planning areas.

Rep. Eddie Bernice Johnson (D-TX): The amendment prohibits funds from being used to implement the EPA's proposed regulations of 72 Fed. Reg. 69. (A more descriptive summary will be made available)

Rep. Brown-Waite (R-FL): The amendment would reduce the funding level for the National Endowment of the Arts to the President's Budget Request of \$128 million.

Rep. Conaway (R-TX): A summary will be made available.

Rep. Davis (R-VA): The amendment would strike Section 104. Section 104 prohibits funds from being used for offshore preleasing, leasing and related activities placed under restriction in the President's moratorium statement of June 12, 1998 in the areas of northern, central, and southern California; the North Atlantic; Washington and Oregon; and the eastern Gulf of Mexico.

Rep. Davis (R-VA): The amendment would strike Section 105. Section 105 prohibits funds from being used to conduct oil and natural gas preleasing, leasing and relating activities in the Min-Atlantic and South Atlantic planning areas.

Rep. DeFazio (D-OR): The amendment requires the resource advisory committee created by Section 205 of the Secure Rural Schools and Community Self-Determination Act of 2000 to 1) monitor projects submitted by that committee that have been approved by the Secretary of the Interior or the Secretary of Agriculture; 2) advise the designated Federal official on the progress of monitoring efforts of the above section (1); and 3) make recommendations to the Secretary of the Interior or the Secretary of Agriculture regarding any changes or adjustments to the projects being monitored by the committee.

Rep. Dent (R-PA): The amendment would provide that no funds should be expended to implement, administer, or enforce Section 20(b)(1) of the Indian Gaming Regulatory Act (IGRA). Section 20(b)(1) is that section of IGRA that allows for off-reservation lands to be taken into trust by the Department of the Interior for the purpose of authorizing the establishment of a casino on those lands. The amendment would not affect casinos that are already established at both on- and off-reservation sites. It would just preclude funding for the processing of applications to the Department of the Interior to establish any new off-reservation casinos.

Rep. Dicks (D-WA): The amendment reduces by \$5 million funding for both the Office of Secretary Salaries and Expenses (DOI) and the Science and Technology fund (EPA), which must remain until September 30, 2009. It increases funding by \$5 million to the Environmental Programs and Management (EPA), \$15 million to State and Tribal Assistance Grants (EPA), and \$15 million for construction of high priority water and wastewater facilities in the area of the US-Mexico Border.

Rep. Ellsworth (D-IN): The amendment reduces \$2.6 million for purchase, rental, repair, and cleaning of uniforms for Smithsonian Institution.

Rep. Hastings (D-FL): The amendment reduces funding for the National Park Service, Operation of the National Park System by \$1 million and then increases it by \$1 million.

Rep. Inslee (D-WA): The amendment prohibits the issuance of permits for the importation of any polar bear or polar bear part into the United States.

Rep. Jackson-Lee (D-TX): A summary will be made available.

Rep. Jackson-Lee (D-TX): The amendment prohibits funds from being used to limit outreach programs administered by the Smithsonian Institution.

Rep. Jackson-Lee (D-TX): The amendment prohibits funds from being used to eliminate or restrict programs that are for the reforestation of urban areas.

Rep. Jindal (R-LA): The amendment would direct an additional \$2.5 million in funding for the EPA's "Gulf of Mexico Program". This program typically provides about \$2.5 million each year in grants to states, universities, and private entities to develop techniques and science needed to restore and protect the Gulf of Mexico, as well as to distribute these findings to others to allow informed decision-making. The grants can be used to develop solutions to the dead zone (hypoxia) problem in the Gulf, as well as for water quality, public health, nutrient reductions, and coastal restoration. The dead zone in the Gulf has been growing and the coastal area has been suffering significant land loss. This amendment would bring the budget up to \$6.957 million.

Rep. Jordan (R-OH): The amendment would make an across-the-board reduction in the bill by 4.3%. The intent of the amendment is to take spending back to FY 2007 level.

Rep. Kingston (R-GA): The amendment would prohibit funds in the bill from being used to enter into a contract with an entity that does not participate in the basic pilot program in the Illegal Immigration Reform and Immigrant Responsibility Act of 1996.

Rep. LoBiondo (R-NJ): The amendment would increase by \$1 million, then decreases by the same amount, the bill's appropriation for toxic substances and environmental public health through the Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry (ATSDR). This funding is intended to go towards conducting initial and long-term testing of children exposed to mercury from mercury contaminated industrial sites.

Rep. McHugh (R-NY): The amendment would provide an additional \$1 million for the Clean Air Status and Trends Network (CASTNET) program, which is located in Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) Science and Technology (S&T) Account.

Rep. Mica (R-FL): The amendment calls for \$4 million for the "Castillo de San Marcos National Monument Visitor Center" from funds included under the National Park Service Construction account. The expenditure is authorized under P.L. 108-480, the "Castillo de San Marcos National Monument Preservation Act."

Rep. Musgrave (R-CO): The amendment would reduce by 0.5% any appropriation that is not required to be appropriated or otherwise made available by a provision of law.

Rep. Nunes (R-CA): The amendment reduces funding for the International Program and transfers that money to the National Forest System account with the intent of marijuana eradication on Forest Service land.

Rep. Price (R-GA): The amendment would make an across-the-board reduction in the bill by 1%.

Rep. Shays (R-CT): The amendment would designate an additional \$1 million for the Office of Federal Acknowledgement.

Rep. Upton (R-MI): Prohibits funds in the bill from being used to purchase light bulbs unless the light bulbs have the “ENERGY STAR” or “Federal Energy Management Program” designation.

Rep. Weiner (D-NY): Increases the funds for the National Park Service by \$1 million, offset by cutting funds for the Office of the Secretary of Interior.

Rep. Weiner (D-NY): Requires the Secretary of the Interior to provide public access to the Statue of Liberty, within 6 months, that is “substantially the same as that access granted before September 11, 2001.”

Rep. Hensarling (R-TX):

*Note: The following are individual amendments submitted for pre-printing by Representative Hensarling. These amendments strike earmark provisions in the following two accounts:

- National Park Service, Historic Preservation Fund, Save America’s Treasure
- Environmental Protection Agency, State and Tribal Assistance Grants

A complete list of the earmarks and their funding level are available at:

http://www.rules.house.gov/110/text/110_hr2643_supprpt.pdf

Prohibits funding for the Clover Bend Historic Site

Prohibits funding for the Historic Preservation Fund of the Kymula Grist Mill

Prohibits funding for the George Washington Carver High School, Phoenix

Prohibits funding for the San Juan Capistrano Historic Adobe Preservation

Prohibits funding for the Oroville Historic State Theater

Prohibits funding for Casa Grande, Santa Clara County

Prohibits funding for the Maritime Center for Working Families, Richmond

Prohibits funding for Fort Desoto

Prohibits funding for Wesleyan College Historic District

Prohibits funding for Scottish Rite Temple, Bloomington

Prohibits funding for St. Joseph's College Theatre Renovation, Rensselaer

Prohibits funding for Brown Mansion, Coffeyville

Prohibits funding for Butler County Courthouse

Prohibits funding for Perryville Battlefield Merchants Row Restoration

Prohibits funding for William Cullen Bryant Home Homestead, Cummington

Prohibits funding for Rackliffe Plantation House

Prohibits funding for Poplar Hill, Clinton

Prohibits funding for Wetzel County Courthouse, New Martinsville

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Prohibits funding for Curlee House, Corinth

Prohibits funding for Daniel Webster Farmhouse, Franklin

Prohibits funding for Zuni Pueblo Mission

Prohibits funding for Santa Maria El Mirador, Alcalde

Prohibits funding for Maverick Concert Hall Preservation

Prohibits funding for DeSeversky Center Building

Prohibits funding for Restoration of the 1883 Lighthouse, Sleepy Hollow

Prohibits funding for the Mount Hope Cemetery

Prohibits funding for Fire Fighters Hall, Columbus

Prohibits funding for Spring Hill Historic Home, Massillon

Prohibits funding for Payne Gallery, Moravian College

Prohibits funding for the Philadelphia Art Museum Exterior Façade

Prohibits funding for the W.A. Young and Sons Foundry, Greene County

Prohibits funding for the Embassy Theatre, Burnham

Prohibits funding for Pompion Hill Chapel

Prohibits funding for Goodwill School, Maysville

Prohibits funding for Carnegie Library, Darlington

Prohibits funding for Agricultural Reform Movement Building, Lewisburg

Prohibits funding for Granbury Historic Opera House Theater

Prohibits funding for Henry County Courthouse

Prohibits funding for Gadsby's Historic Site, Alexandria

Prohibits funding for Lee-Fenhall House, Alexandria

Prohibits funding for Bremerton Public Library Restoration

Prohibits funding for Wetzel County Courthouse, New Martinsville

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Prohibits funding for Ivy Green, Birthplace of Helen Keller, Tuscumbia

Prohibits funding for the City of Detroit, MI, Charter County of Wayne for the Rouge River National Wet Weather Demonstration

Prohibits funding for the City of Killeen, TN, for Water and Sewer Infrastructure

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Prohibits funding for the City of Hayti, MO, Pemiscot Consolidated Public Water Supply District 1 for a Water Storage Tank

Prohibits funding for the City of Independence, MS, Tate County School District for Water System Improvements

Prohibits funding for the City of Conrad, MT, for Conrad Wastewater Treatment Facility Improvements

Prohibits funding for the City of Mount Airy, NC, Surry County for Water and Wastewater Infrastructure along the I-77 and I-74 Interstates Corridor

Prohibits funding for the Town of Troy, NC, Montgomery County for the Pump Station Improvement Project

Prohibits funding for the City of Durham, NC, for Water and Wastewater Improvements

Prohibits funding for the Borough of Sussex, NC, for the Hamburg Avenue Water Line

Prohibits funding for the Town of Murphy, NC, Cherokee County for the U.S. Highway 74 19/129 Sewer Project

Prohibits funding for the City of Newark, NJ, Passaic Valley Sewer Commission for Wastewater Treatment and Storm Water Renovation

Prohibits funding for the City of Aztec, NM, for Municipal Wastewater Treatment

Prohibits funding for the Township of Waterford, MI, Oakland County Drain Commission for the Evergreen-Farmington Sanitary Sewer Overflow Control Demonstration Project

Prohibits funding for Seattle, WA, Public Utilities for South Park Drainage Project

Prohibits funding for the City of Brooksville, FL, Southwest Florida Water Management District for Peace and Myakka River Watershed Restoration

Prohibits funding for The City of Weston, FL, for Bonaventure Storm Water Pumps

Prohibits funding for Clinton County Municipal Authority for Sewer Pump Station Construction in Woodward Township in the City of Lock Haven, PA

Prohibits funding for the City of East Providence , RI, for Nutrient Removal

Prohibits funding for the Town of Andrews, SC, for Water and Wastewater Improvements

Prohibits funding for the City of Gaffney, SC, for the Water Treatment Plant Upgrade

Prohibits funding for the City of Rapid City, SD, for the Source Water Protection Initiative

Prohibits funding for the Town of Collierville, TN, Public Works Department for Wastewater Infrastructure

Prohibits funding for the City of Killeen, TN, for Water and Sewer Infrastructure

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Prohibits funding for the City of Eureka, CA, Wastewater Infrastructure

Prohibits funding for the Town of Eckley, CO, for Water Treatment Improvements

Prohibits funding for the Town of Colchester, CT, for the Flatbrook Road Booster Station

Prohibits funding for the Town of Prospect, CT, for the College Farms Subdivision

Prohibits funding for the Town of Wolcott, CT, for Storm Drainage and Other Infrastructure

Prohibits funding for the City of Stamford, CT, for Stormwater and Wastewater Infrastructure

Prohibits funding for the City of Tallahassee, FL, for the Advanced Water Treatment Facility

Prohibits funding for the City of Sarasota, FL, Sarasota County for the Phillippi Creek Septic System Replacement

Prohibits funding for the Town of Callahan, FL, for the Wastewater Treatment Plant

Prohibits funding for the city of Lauderdale-by-the-Sea, FL, for North Beach Neighborhood Improvements, Phase II

Prohibits funding for the Town of Jupiter, FL, for Water Treatment Plant Enhancement

Prohibits funding for the City of Brighton, MI, for the Mill Pond Lane Bypass Sanitary Sewer Improvements

Prohibits funding for the City of Grand Rapids, MN, Grand Rapids Public Utilities Commission for Wastewater Treatment Facility

Prohibits funding for the City of Joplin, MO, for the Wildwood Ranch Sewer

Prohibits funding for the City of Muscle Shoals, AL, for Wastewater Infrastructure

Prohibits funding for the City of Rogers, AR, Northwest Arkansas Conservation Authority for Water and Wastewater Infrastructure and Watershed Management

Prohibits funding for the City of Pine Bluff, AR, for Sewer Improvements

Prohibits funding for Walthall County Courthouse, MS

Prohibits funding for the City of San Clemente, CA, for Expansion of Water Reclamation Facility

Prohibits funding for the City of Arcadia, CA, for the Arcadia/Sierra Madre Joint Water Infrastructure

Prohibits funding for the City of Seaside for Monterey Bay, CA, Outfall Dry Weather Diversion

Prohibits funding for the City of Big Bear Lake, CA, Department of Water and Power to Upgrade the Pipeline Infrastructure

Prohibits funding for the Town of Yucca Valley, CA, Hi-Desert Water Agency for a Wastewater Treatment System

Prohibits funding for the City of Sacramento, CA, Sacramento Department of Utilities for Downtown Sacramento Combined Sewer Improvement

Prohibits funding for the City of Barstow, CA, County of San Bernadino for the Sewer Master Plan Implementation, Phase II

Prohibits funding for the City of Manteca, CA, for Water Treatment Infrastructure Upgrades

Prohibits funding for the City of Vallejo, CA, for Mare Island Sanitary Sewer and Storm Drain

Prohibits funding for the City of San Francisco, CA, Public Utilities Commission for the Lower Mission District

Prohibits funding for the City of Huntington Park, CA, for the Slauson Avenue Water Line and Yard Rehabilitation

Prohibits funding for the City of Temple City, CA, for the Sanitation Sewer Rehabilitation Project

Prohibits funding for the City of Louisville, KY, Louisville and Jefferson County Municipal Sewer District for the Shively Area Pump Stations Eliminations Project

Prohibits funding for the City of Williamsport, PA, Lycoming Department of Planning and Community Development for a Water System for Muncy Industrial Park

Prohibits funding for New Castle, PA, Lawrence County Planning Office for Neshannock Township

Prohibits funding for the City of Coburg, OR, for a Wastewater System

Prohibits funding for the City of Zanesville, OH, Muskingum County Commission for the West Pike Sanitary Sewer

Prohibits funding for the City of Warren, OH, The Office of the Trumbull County Commissioners for the Scott Street Sanitary Sewer in Newton Falls

Prohibits funding for the City of Columbus, OH, Columbus Downtown Development Corporation for the Scioto Mile River Level Park Project

Prohibits funding for the City of Port Clinton, OH, Ottawa County for the Watermain Corrosion and Sanitary Sewer

Prohibits funding for the Village of Rushville, OH, for Sewage Infrastructure Improvements

Prohibits funding for the Town of Marcellus, NY, for Drinking Water Infrastructure Improvements

Prohibits funding for the City of New York, NY, for the Twin Lakes Restoration Project

Prohibits funding for the Village of Lyndonville, NY, for the Wastewater Treatment Plant

Prohibits funding for the City of Grambling, LA, for the East Martin Luther King / Tarbutton Road Sewer Extension

Prohibits funding for the Cities of Fall River and New Bedford, MA, and the Town of Acushnet for Bristol County Sewer Improvements

Prohibits funding for the Town of Winthrop, MA, for Storm Drain Remediation

Prohibits funding for the City of West Springfield, MA, Pioneer Valley Planning Commission for the Connecticut River Combined Sewer Overflow Clean-up

Prohibits funding for the City of Elyria, OH, for the Water Treatment Intake Plan

Prohibits funding for the City of College Park, MD, for the Paint Branch Watershed Storm Management Plan

Prohibits funding for the City of Glencoe, AL, for Storm Drainage and Sewer Repairs

Prohibits funding for the City of Clanton, AL, for the Water Plant Upgrade Project

Prohibits funding for the City of Harlan, KY, Baxter-Rosspoint Sewer Line Expansion

Prohibits funding for the Borough of Slatington, PA, for Wastewater Infrastructure Improvements

Prohibits funding for the City of Santa Fe, NM, for Water Distribution Infrastructure

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Prohibits funding for the Pueblo of San Felipe, NM, for Water and Wastewater Infrastructure Improvements

Prohibits funding for the Town of Bernalillo, NM, for Arsenic and Water System Improvements

Prohibits funding for the City of Fallon, NV, for Wastewater System Improvement

Prohibits funding for the Town of Overton, NV, for the Collection System Infiltration Study

Prohibits funding for the Town of Geneva, NY, Water District 12 for Water infrastructure

Prohibits funding for the Town of Halfmoon, NY, for the Halfmoon Water Line

Prohibits funding for the Town of Goshen, NY, for the Hambletonian Park Water Main Replacement

Prohibits funding for the Town of Bethel, NY, for Sewer Extension

Prohibits funding for the City of Middletown, NY, for Water and Wastewater Improvements

Prohibits funding for the City of Rochester, NY, Monroe County Water Authority for the Southeast Service Area Reliability Improvements

Prohibits funding for the City of Rye, NY, for Sewer Pump Station Repairs

Prohibits funding for the City of Mamaroneck, NY, for Sewer System Upgrades

Prohibits funding for the Village of Briarcliff Manor, NY, for Sewer Upgrades

Prohibits funding for the City of Buffalo, NY, Erie County Water Authority for the Ball Pump Station Emergency Power Generation

Prohibits funding for The City of Palatka, FL, St. Johns River Water Management District for Expansion of the Taylor Creek Reservoir

Prohibits funding for the City of Clearwater, FL, for Wastewater and Reclaimed Water Infrastructure

Prohibits funding for the City of Vienna, GA, for Sewer Treatment Facility

Prohibits funding for the City of Valdosta, GA, for the Valdosta Scott Water Tank Construction

Prohibits funding for the City of Mason City, IA, for Wastewater Treatment Facility Expansion

Prohibits funding for the City of Twin Falls, ID, for the Auger Falls Wastewater Treatment Project

Prohibits funding for the Village of Johnsburg, IL, for Wastewater Conveyance and Treatment Works

Prohibits funding for the Village of Steward, IL, for Wastewater Infrastructure

Prohibits funding for the Village of Hazel Crest, IL, for Water Improvements

Prohibits funding for the Village of South Chicago Heights, IL, for Wastewater Treatment Facility

Prohibits funding for Northeastern Illinois, IL, Sewer Improvement Consortium for Sewer Improvements

Prohibits funding for the City of Virginia, IL, for a Water Treatment Facility

Prohibits funding for the City of Oregon, IL, Public Works Department for Wastewater Treatment Infrastructure

Prohibits funding for the Village of Farina, IL, for Water System Improvements

Prohibits funding for the City of Carmel, IN, for Sanitary Sewer Rehabilitation

Prohibits funding for the Town of Linden, IN, Department of Water and Sewage for the Sewer Treatment Plant Expansion

Prohibits funding for the City of South Bend, IN, for the Sewer Overflow Sensory Control Network

Prohibits funding for the City of Evansville, IN, for the Mt. Auburn Neighborhood Sanitary Sewer System

Prohibits funding for the City of Charleston, IN, for the Water Treatment Facility

Prohibits funding for the City of Fort Wayne, IN, for the Fort Wayne Storm Sewer Separation Project

Prohibits funding for the Town of Merrillville, IN, for Water Infrastructure Improvements

Prohibits funding for the City of Iola, KS, for the Water and Wastewater Infrastructure

Prohibits funding for the City of Larned, KS, for the Waster Water Treatment Plant

Prohibits funding for the City of Sedan, KS, Rural Water District Number 4 Chautauqua County for Water and Wastewater Infrastructure

Prohibits funding for the City of Lexington, KY, Lexington-Fayette Urban County Government for South Elkhorn Pump Station and Force Main Project

Prohibits funding for the City of La Grange, KY, Oldham County Sewer District for the Ohio River Wastewater Treatment Plant in Goshen

Prohibits funding for the City of Peshtigo, WI, for Water Systems Improvements

Prohibits funding for Holcombe, the Lake Holcombe, WI, Sanitary District for Wastewater Treatment and Sewer System Upgrades

Prohibits funding for the City of Weston, WV, for the Jackson's Mill Waterline

Prohibits funding for the City of Pennsboro, WV, for Wastewater Infrastructure Improvement

Prohibits funding for the City of Westover, WV, for Sanitary Sewer Service Upgrade

Prohibits funding for the City of Milton, WV, for Milton Water System Improvements

Prohibits funding for the City of Grandview, TX, for an Elevated Water Storage Tank

Prohibits funding for the City of Hillsboro, TX, for Water and Wastewater System Improvement

Prohibits funding for the City of Cressona, PA, Cressona Borough Authority for the Cressona Belt Filter Press

Prohibits funding for Fort Bend County, TX, for a Water and Wastewater Project in Richmond

Prohibits funding for the City of Sabinal, TX, for Wastewater Treatment Facility Project

Prohibits funding for the San Antonio, TX, Water System for the Central Watershed Sewer Relief Line C-02 in the City of San Antonio

Prohibits funding for the City of Riverton, UT, for the Water Pump Station

Prohibits funding for the City of Hershey, PA, Derry Township Municipal Authority for Wastewater Treatment Facility

Prohibits funding for the Henry County, VA, Public Service Authority for Water Infrastructure Improvements

Prohibits funding for the City of Alexandria, VA, and Arlington County for Four Mile Run

Prohibits funding for Yardley, PA, Yardley Borough Sewer Authority for Wastewater Infrastructure

Prohibits funding for the Fairfax County, VA, Stormwater Planning Division for Stormwater Management Planning

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Prohibits funding for a water treatment facility in the City of Longview, WA

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Prohibits funding for the Skokomish, WA, Indian Tribal Nation for Wastewater Treatment

Prohibits funding for the Township of Cecil, PA, Cecil Township Municipal Authority for the Miller's Run Sewer System

Prohibits funding for City of Belfair, WA, Mason County for Wastewater Treatment

Prohibits funding for the City of Mountlake, WA, Terrace for Water Main System Replacement

Prohibits funding for Mercer Island, WA, for Water and Wastewater Infrastructure

Prohibits funding for the Borough of Stoystown, PA, Somerset Township Municipal Authority for Stoystown Water Project

Prohibits funding for the City of Puyallup for Water and Wastewater Infrastructure

Prohibits funding for the City of Flint, MI, Office of the Genessee County Drain Commissioner for the North-East Relief Sewer

Additional Views

“The Administration strongly opposes H.R. 2643 because, in combination with the other FY 2008 appropriations bills, it includes an irresponsible and excessive level of spending and includes other objectionable provisions.

“In combination with other spending bills, H.R. 2643 would lead to spending and tax increases that put economic growth and a balanced budget at risk.

“Because Congress has failed to demonstrate such a path, if H.R. 2643 were presented to the President, he would veto the bill.

Department of the Interior

“The Administration strongly opposes language that would force holders of certain deepwater oil and gas leases issued in 1998/1999 by the prior Administration to either renegotiate the terms of

the leases or face being barred from future oil and gas leasing in the Gulf of Mexico. Although the contracts omitted a price threshold, the Administration does not support their abrogation. Significant investment has been made by both the original lessees and by third parties that have subsequently purchased these 1998/1999 leases. This provision is likely to significantly delay future lease sales in the event that the provision is litigated.

Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)

“The Administration opposes the Committee’s increase in the total funding for EPA by \$887 million above the President’s Budget Request. In particular, the \$437 million increase for the Clean Water State Revolving Fund would exceed by 63 percent the level requested by the Administration to meet the commitment made in the 2004 Budget to provide \$6.8 billion in capitalization grants between 2004 and 2011 and meet the long-term revolving level goal of \$3.4 billion.”

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