



H.R. 3323– GOLETA WATER DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM CONVEYANCE ACT OF 2007

FLOOR SITUATION

H.R. 3323 is being considered on the floor under suspension of the rules and will require a two-thirds majority vote for passage. This legislation was introduced by Representative Lois Capps (D-CA) on August 2, 2007. The House Committee on Natural Resources agreed to the bill, as amended, on April 30, 2008.

H.R. 3323 is expected to be considered on the floor of the House on XXXXXXXX, XX XXXX

SUMMARY

H.R. 3323 authorizes the Secretary of the Interior to convey Goleta Water Distribution System to the Goleta Water District located in Santa Barbara County, California. After the conveyance, the System will not be considered as a part of a Federal Cachuma water reclamation project. The conveyance would only apply to the land and facilities of the system. It would not affect the District's existing water service contracts or Federal revenues received from water deliveries made under Federal contract.

The Secretary must report to Congress if the conveyance has not or will not occur within one year of the enactment of this legislation, and is required to submit this report to Congress within 14 months of enactment.

BACKGROUND

The Goleta Water Distribution System which was established in 1944, runs along the southern portion of Santa Barbara County. The Goleta Water Distribution System uses 230 miles of pipeline to provide water to approximately 75,000 people living within the District.

The System is part of the Cachuma Project. It was authorized by the Secretary of the Interior to be included as a part of the Cachuma Project in 1948. The Cachuma Project is a series of three large-scale federal water distribution projects in the region, which capture seasonal floodwaters and deliver it to highly water deficient communities in Southern California.

COST

The Congressional Budget Office "estimates that implementing H.R. 3323 would have no significant effect on the federal budget."

[Full CBO cost estimate for H.R. 3323](#)

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