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H. R. 132

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 convey certain
land and appurtenances of the Arbuckle Project, Okla-
homa, to the Arbuckle Master Conservancy District, and
for other purposes.

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 “Arbuckle Project Main-
3 tenance Complex and District Office Conveyance Act of
4 2017”.

5 **SEC. 2. CONVEYANCE OF MAINTENANCE COMPLEX AND**
6 **DISTRICT OFFICE OF THE ARBUCKLE**
7 **PROJECT, OKLAHOMA.**

8 (a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of the Interior
9 shall, as soon as practicable, convey to the Arbuckle Mas-
10 ter Conservancy District, located in Murray County, Okla-
11 homa, all right, title, and interest of the United States
12 in and to the Maintenance Complex and District Office,
13 Arbuckle Project, Oklahoma, consistent with the terms
14 and conditions set forth in the Agreement between the
15 United States and the Arbuckle Master Conservancy Dis-
16 trict.

17 (b) DEFINITIONS.—

18 (1) AGREEMENT.—The term “Agreement”
19 means the Agreement between the United States
20 and the Arbuckle Master Conservancy District for
21 Transferring Title to the Federally Owned Mainte-
22 nance Complex and District Office to the Arbuckle
23 Master Conservancy District (Agreement No.
24 14AG640141).

25 (2) DISTRICT OFFICE.—The term “District Of-
26 fice” means the headquarters building located at

1 2440 East Main, Davis, Oklahoma, and the approxi-
2 mately 0.83 acres described in the Agreement.

3 (3) MAINTENANCE COMPLEX.—The term
4 “Maintenance Complex” means the caretakers resi-
5 dence, shop buildings, and any appurtenances lo-
6 cated on the lands described in the Agreement, to
7 include approximately 2.00 acres, more or less.

8 (c) LIABILITY.—Effective upon the date of convey-
9 ance of the Maintenance Complex and District Office
10 under this section, the United States shall not be held lia-
11 ble by any court for damages of any kind arising out of
12 any act, omission, or occurrence relating to the Mainte-
13 nance Complex and District Office, except for damages
14 caused by acts of negligence committed by the United
15 States or by its employees or agents prior to the date of
16 conveyance. Nothing in this section increases the liability
17 of the United States beyond that provided in chapter 171
18 of title 28, United States Code (popularly known as the
19 “Federal Tort Claims Act”), on the date of the enactment
20 of this Act.

21 (d) BENEFITS.—After conveyance of the Mainte-
22 nance Complex and District Office to the Arbuckle Master
23 Conservancy District—

1 (1) the Maintenance Complex and District Of-
2 fice shall not be considered to be a part of a Federal
3 reclamation project; and

4 (2) such water district shall not be eligible to
5 receive any benefits with respect to any facility com-
6 prising that Maintenance Complex and District Of-
7 fice, except benefits that would be available to a
8 similarly situated person with respect to such a facil-
9 ity that is not part of a Federal reclamation project.

10 (e) COMMUNICATION.—If the Secretary of the Inte-
11 rior has not completed the conveyance required under sub-
12 section (a) within 12 months after the date of enactment
13 of this Act, the Secretary shall submit to Congress a letter
14 with sufficient detail that explains the reasons the convey-
15 ance has not been completed and stating the date by which
16 the conveyance will be completed.

 Passed the House of Representatives March 15,
2017.

Attest:

KAREN L. HAAS,
Clerk.