

the Congress will reconvene and can resume work on the legislation.

I appreciate the efforts of my colleagues on the Natural Resources Committee to review this issue and bring this bill forward. I look forward to continuing to work with the community at the Pass and my Washington colleagues to improve public safety in the area.

Mrs. McMORRIS RODGERS. Mr. Speaker, I yield back the balance of my time.

Mr. GRIJALVA. Mr. Speaker, I yield back the balance of my time.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion offered by the gentleman from Arizona (Mr. GRIJALVA) that the House suspend the rules and pass the bill, H.R. 1285, as amended.

The question was taken; and (two-thirds being in the affirmative) the rules were suspended and the bill, as amended, was passed.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

SANTA ROSA URBAN WATER REUSE PLAN ACT

Mr. GRIJALVA. Mr. Speaker, I move to suspend the rules and pass the bill (H.R. 716) to amend the Reclamation Wastewater and Groundwater Study and Facilities Act to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to participate in the Santa Rosa Urban Water Reuse Plan, as amended.

The Clerk read the title of the bill. The text of the bill is as follows:

H.R. 716

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

This Act may be cited as the "Santa Rosa Urban Water Reuse Plan Act".

SEC. 2. PROJECT AUTHORIZATION.

(a) *IN GENERAL.—The Reclamation Wastewater and Groundwater Study and Facilities Act (Public Law 102-575, title XVI; 43 U.S.C. 390h et seq.) is amended by adding at the end the following new section:*

"SEC. 16. CITY OF SANTA ROSA, CALIFORNIA, URBAN WATER REUSE PLAN.

"(a) *AUTHORIZATION.—The Secretary, in cooperation with the City of Santa Rosa, California, is authorized to participate in the design, planning, and construction of projects to implement the plan titled 'Santa Rosa Urban Water Reuse Plan'.*

"(b) *COST SHARE.—The Federal share of the costs of the projects authorized by this section shall not exceed 25 percent of the total cost. The Secretary shall credit the City of Santa Rosa with the value of all expenditures made before the date of the enactment of this section that are used toward completion of projects that are compatible with this section.*

"(c) *LIMITATIONS.—*

"(1) *Federal funds shall not be used for the operation or maintenance of a project authorized by this section.*

"(2) *Funds authorized by this legislation shall not be used for the development of new wetland areas.*

"(d) *AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—There is authorized to be appropriated to carry out this section \$20,000,000.*

(b) *CONFORMING AMENDMENT.—The table of sections in section 2 of Public Law 102-575 is amended by inserting after the last item relating to title XVI the following:*

"Sec. 16. City of Santa Rosa, California, Urban Water Reuse Plan."

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to the rule, the gentleman from Arizona (Mr. GRIJALVA) and the gentleman from Washington (Mrs. McMORRIS RODGERS) each will control 20 minutes.

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Arizona.

GENERAL LEAVE

Mr. GRIJALVA. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that all Members have 5 legislative days to revise and extend and include extraneous material on the bill under consideration.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Arizona?

There was no objection.

Mr. GRIJALVA. Mr. Speaker, the purpose of H.R. 716, as amended, is to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to participate in the design and construction of the Santa Rosa Urban Water Reuse Plan. The water recycling facilities authorized by this legislation will result in significant improvements in water quality and water supply reliability in the Santa Rosa area.

I commend the sponsor of this legislation, Ms. WOOLSEY, for her commitment in this important project.

I urge my colleagues to join me in supporting this important bill.

Mr. Speaker, I yield such time as she may consume to the gentlewoman from California (Ms. WOOLSEY).

Ms. WOOLSEY. Mr. Speaker, I rise in support of H.R. 716.

Mr. Speaker, I want to thank Chairman RAHALL for his leadership in bringing H.R. 716, the Santa Rosa Urban Water Reuse bill, to the floor. The Santa Rosa Urban Water Reuse bill is a huge step in the right direction for the City of Santa Rosa. It will help the city increase its reuse of wastewater as an alternative to releasing the water into the Russian River, where my district receives the great majority of our drinking water. The project is especially important in a region that remains arid for 6 months of the year and where droughts pose a genuine threat to humans and endangered species.

Under the reuse plan, the City of Santa Rosa will use recycled water for landscape irrigation, allowing the city to conserve valuable water for human consumption and for watershed preservation and enhancement. It is essential that we find new ways to reuse wastewater and prevent further discharge into nearby waterways. This project can help the City of Santa Rosa by making great strides in its water reuse program and give the city an opportunity to help endangered species, and at the same time protect the Russian River from further discharge.

Mr. Speaker, I ask for support of H.R. 716, the Santa Rosa Urban Water Reuse bill.

Mrs. McMORRIS RODGERS. Mr. Speaker, I yield myself such time as I may consume.

The chairman and sponsor have adequately explained the bill. I applaud the amendment agreed to in committee that prohibits taxpayer dollars from being used to create unrelated wetlands in this project.

However, given that the majority has not fully funded the title XVI program in the Energy and Water appropriations bill, I note that this bill makes the \$328 million backlog problem worse.

Mr. Speaker, I yield back the balance of my time.

Mr. GRIJALVA. Mr. Speaker, I yield back the balance of my time.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion offered by the gentleman from Arizona (Mr. GRIJALVA) that the House suspend the rules and pass the bill, H.R. 716, as amended.

The question was taken; and (two-thirds being in the affirmative) the rules were suspended and the bill, as amended, was passed.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

AVRA/BLACK WASH RECLAMATION AND RIPARIAN RESTORATION PROJECT

Mr. GRIJALVA. Mr. Speaker, I move to suspend the rules and pass the bill (H.R. 1503) to amend the Reclamation Wastewater and Groundwater Study and Facilities Act to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to participate in the Avra/Black Wash Reclamation and Riparian Restoration Project, as amended.

The Clerk read the title of the bill.

The text of the bill is as follows:

H.R. 1503

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

This Act may be cited as the "Avra/Black Wash Reclamation and Riparian Restoration Project".

SEC. 2. PROJECT AUTHORIZATION.

(a) *IN GENERAL.—The Reclamation Wastewater and Groundwater Study and Facilities Act (Public Law 102-575, title XVI; 43 U.S.C. 390h et seq.) is amended by adding at the end the following:*

"SEC. 16. AVRA/BLACK WASH RECLAMATION AND RIPARIAN RESTORATION PROJECT, PIMA COUNTY, ARIZONA.

"(a) *AUTHORIZATION.—The Secretary, in cooperation with Pima County, Arizona, may participate in the planning, design, and construction of water recycling facilities and to enhance and restore riparian habitat in the Black Wash Sonoran Desert ecosystem in Avra Valley west of the metropolitan Pima County area.*

"(b) *COST SHARING.—The Federal share of the cost of the project described in subsection (a) shall not exceed 25 percent of the cost of the project.*

"(c) *LIMITATION.—Federal funds provided under this section shall not be used for operation or maintenance of the project described in subsection (a).*

"(d) *AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—There is authorized to be appropriated to carry out this section \$14,000,000.*

"(e) *USE OF FUNDS.—Federal funds provided under this section shall only be used for the design, planning and construction of water-related infrastructure.*"