

Report on Activities From Washington, D.C.

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Subject

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Purpose

To provide a legislative update.

Schedule





Congress in Recess until September 2

Lower Colorado River Multi-Species Conservation Program



CALVERT BILL SUPPORTING THE LOWER COLORADO RIVER MULTI-SPECIES CONSERVATION PROGRAM APPROVED BY NATURAL RESOURCES COMMITTEE

July 15, 2025

Today, the House Natural Resources Committee approved the Lower Colorado River Multi-Species Conservation Program Amendment Act, H.R.831, bipartisan legislation introduced earlier this year by Congressman Ken Calvert (CA-41). The bipartisan bill would support Lower Colorado River Multi-Species Conservation Program (LCR MSCP) activities by establishing an interest-bearing account at the Department of Treasury to hold the funds contributed by the states of Arizona, California, and Nevada for the LCR MSCP.

"As this bill continues to advance, we are closer to expanding the resources available for the Lower Colorado River Multi-Species Conservation Program," said Rep. Calvert. "I am thankful for the support of my House colleagues on the Natural Resource Committee for passing this common-sense step allowing excess funds in the LCR MSCP to earn interest and maintain their effectiveness."

"Congressman Calvert is known for legislative solutions that are forward thinking and save taxpayer dollars," said House Natural Resources Committee Chairman Bruce Westerman (AR-4). "His work on the Lower Colorado River Multi-Species Conservation Program is just one example of this and will ensure the program is run responsibly while generating millions in new annual revenue. I'd like to thank him for his leadership on this bill, and I look forward to working with him to help move it through the legislative process."

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Appropriations:
Environmental
Protection
Agency



	President's Proposal	House	Senate
Drinking Water SRF	\$150 M	\$894 M	\$1.1 B
Clean Water SRF	\$155 M	\$1.2 B	\$1.6 B
WIFIA	\$8 M	\$72 M	\$65 M

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FY 26 Appropriations: Bureau of Reclamation



	President's Proposal	House	Senate
CALFED	\$32 M	\$32 M	TBD
Water Recycling	0	\$41 M	TBD
Water Storage	0	\$201 M	TBD
WaterSmart: Drought Response	0	\$25 M	TBD
WaterSmart: Grants	0	\$14 M	TBD

Nominations Update





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