

## HR 1946

### Rocky Boy's/North Central Montana Regional Water System Act of 2001

**Congress:** 107 (2001–2003, Ended)

**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** Water Resources Development

**Introduced:** May 22, 2001

**Current Status:** Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 445.

**Latest Action:** Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 445. (Oct 2, 2002)

**Official Text:** <https://www.congress.gov/bill/107th-congress/house-bill/1946>

## Sponsor

**Name:** Rep. Rehberg, Dennis R. [R-MT-At Large]

**Party:** Republican • **State:** MT • **Chamber:** House

## Cosponsors

No cosponsors are listed for this bill.

## Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Natural Resources Committee	House	Discharged from	Sep 12, 2002

## Subjects & Policy Tags

### Policy Area:

Water Resources Development

## Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
107 S 934	Identical bill	Jul 31, 2002: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources Subcommittee on Water and Power. Hearings held. With printed Hearing: S.Hrg. 107-853.

## **Summary** (as of Oct 2, 2002)

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Rocky Boy's/North Central Montana Regional Water System Act of 2001 - (Sec. 4) Directs the Secretary of the Interior, acting through the Commissioner of Reclamation: (1) to plan, design, construct, operate, maintain, and replace the core water system for, and to operate, maintain, and replace the water distribution systems of, the Rocky Boy's Reservation in Montana; (2) at the request of the Chippewa Cree Tribe on the Reservation, to enter into a self-governance agreement with the Tribe to carry out such functions; and (3) to enter into a cooperative agreement with the North Central Montana Regional Water Authority to provide Federal funds for the planning, design, and construction of the non-core rural water system for specified Montana counties outside the Reservation.

(Sec. 6) Prohibits the Secretary: (1) from obligating funds for construction of the core or non-core system until requirements of the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 are met and 90 days have expired since a final engineering report approved by the Secretary has been submitted to Congress; or (2) in providing for water delivery to the non-core system, from diminishing the 10,000 acre-feet per year of water stored for the Tribe pursuant to the Chippewa Cree Tribe of The Rocky Boy's Reservation Indian Reserved Water Rights Settlement and Water Supply Enhancement Act of 1999.

(Sec. 9) Directs the Secretary to authorize and provide for the use of power from the Pick-Sloan Eastern Division to start up and operate such water systems.

(Sec. 10) Requires the Tribe and the Authority to develop a water conservation plan that contains: (1) a description of water conservation objectives and appropriate water conservation measures; and (2) a time schedule for implementing the measures to meet the objectives.

(Sec. 12) Authorizes appropriations.

## **Actions Timeline**

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- **Oct 2, 2002:** Reported by the Committee on Resources. H. Rept. 107-715.
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- **Oct 2, 2002:** Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 445.
- **Sep 12, 2002:** Committee Consideration and Mark-up Session Held.
- **Sep 12, 2002:** Ordered to be Reported by Unanimous Consent.
- **Sep 12, 2002:** Subcommittee on Water and Power Discharged.
- **Apr 24, 2002:** Subcommittee Hearings Held.
- **May 31, 2001:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Water and Power.
- **May 31, 2001:** Executive Comment Requested from Interior.
- **May 22, 2001:** Introduced in House
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