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## S 1355

Wallowa Lake Dam Rehabilitation and Water Management Act of 2004

Congress: 108 (2003–2005, Ended)

Chamber: Senate

Policy Area: Water Resources Development

Introduced: Jun 26, 2003

Current Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Water and Power.

**Latest Action:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Water and Power. (Sep 20, 2004) **Official Text:** https://www.congress.gov/bill/108th-congress/senate-bill/1355

**Sponsor** 

Name: Sen. Smith, Gordon H. [R-OR]

Party: Republican • State: OR • Chamber: Senate

**Cosponsors** (1 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Wyden, Ron [D-OR]	$D \cdot OR$		Jun 26, 2003

### **Committee Activity**

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Energy and Natural Resources Committee	Senate	Hearings By (subcommittee)	Oct 15, 2003
Natural Resources Committee	House	Referred to	Sep 20, 2004

## **Subjects & Policy Tags**

#### **Policy Area:**

Water Resources Development

#### **Related Bills**

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
108 HR 3747	Identical bill	Mar 24, 2004: Subcommittee Hearings Held.

# (This measure has not been amended since it was reported to the Senate on March 29, 2004. The summary of that version is repeated here.)

Wallowa Lake Dam Rehabilitation and Water Management Act of 2004 - Authorizes the Secretary of the Interior, acting through the Commissioner of Reclamation, to provide grants to, or enter into cooperative or other agreements with, tribal, State, and local governmental entities and the Associated Ditch Companies, Incorporated (ADC) (nonprofit corporation that operates the Wallowa Lake Dam) to plan, design, and construct facilities needed to implement the Wallowa Lake Dam Rehabilitation Program and Phase II (fish passage improvements and water conservation measures) and Phase III (implementation of water exchange infrastructure) of the Wallowa Valley Water Management Plan.

Directs the Secretary, as a condition of providing funds, to ensure that: (1) the Rehabilitation Program meets the standards of the dam safety program of Oregon; (2) ADC agrees to assume liability for any work performed or supervised with funds provided to it under this Act; and (3) the United States shall not be liable for damages arising out of any act relating to a facility rehabilitated or constructed under this Act.

Limits the Federal share of the cost of activities authorized under this Act to 80 percent and excludes from the Federal share expenditures by the Bonneville Power Administration in the Wallowa River watershed or by individual agricultural producers in any Federal commodity or conservation program.

Prohibits the Federal Government from holding title to, or being responsible for the operation and maintenance of, any facility rehabilitated or constructed under this Act. Permits only the Nez Perce Tribe to own and operate any facility constructed using Federal funds authorized by this Act located at the Dam for trapping and transportation of migratory adult salmon.

Authorizes appropriations.

#### **Actions Timeline**

- Sep 20, 2004: Referred to the Subcommittee on Water and Power.
- Sep 17, 2004: Received in the House.
- Sep 17, 2004: Message on Senate action sent to the House.
- Sep 17, 2004: Referred to the House Committee on Resources.
- Sep 15, 2004: Passed/agreed to in Senate: Passed Senate with an amendment by Unanimous Consent.(consideration: CR S9325-9326; text as passed Senate: CR S9325-9326)
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- Mar 29, 2004: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources. Reported by Senator Domenici with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. With written report No. 108-250.
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- Mar 29, 2004: Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 467.
- Mar 10, 2004: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources. Ordered to be reported with an amendment in the nature of a substitute favorably.
- Oct 15, 2003: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources Subcommittee on Water and Power. Hearings held. With printed Hearing: S.Hrg. 108-271.
- Jun 26, 2003: Introduced in Senate
- Jun 26, 2003: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.