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HR 835

Clearwater Basin Project Act Congress: 108 (2003–2005, Ended)

Chamber: House

Policy Area: Public Lands and Natural Resources

Introduced: Feb 13, 2003

Current Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Department Operations, Oversight, Nutrition and Forestry.

Latest Action: Referred to the Subcommittee on Department Operations, Oversight, Nutrition and Forestry. (Mar 3, 2003)

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Sponsor

Name: Rep. Otter, C. L. (Butch) [R-ID-1]

Party: Republican • State: ID • Chamber: House

Cosponsors (1 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Simpson, Michael K. [R-ID-2]	$R \cdot ID$		Feb 13, 2003

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Agriculture Committee	House	Referred to	Mar 3, 2003
Natural Resources Committee	House	Referred to	Feb 27, 2003

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Public Lands and Natural Resources

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Summary (as of Feb 13, 2003)

Clearwater Basin Project Act - Directs the Secretary of Agriculture to establish and maintain the Clearwater Advisory Panel (CAP), which shall provide advice and recommendations to the Forest Service regarding the Clearwater Basin pilot project (the Project) within the Clearwater and Nez Perce National Forests, Idaho. States that the CAP shall: (1) make recommendations regarding activities for high priority implementation; (2) provide early and continuous coordination with Federal officials; and (3) provide for public input into its proceedings.

Directs the CAP, in consultation with and receiving technical assistance from the applicable Forest Supervisor, to develop and submit for approval from the Forest Supervisor five-year schedules of high priority activities for the Project (with separate schedules for each Forest). Requires that the activities included in such schedules have funding authorized and appropriated under this Act or other law and that they be consistent with the applicable forest land and resource management plan. Directs the Forest Service to complete any applicable National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) procedures for the approval of the activities at the site-specific, project level. Directs the CAP to consult with the Nez Perce Tribe in developing and recommending each schedule.

Directs the Forest Supervisor to issue a project or activity decision document regarding approval of the recommended schedule in accordance with NEPA and other applicable procedures.

Provides for the schedules and activities authorized under this section to supplement certain other schedules, plans, and projects or other activities authorized and implemented under other law.

Actions Timeline

- Mar 3, 2003: Referred to the Subcommittee on Department Operations, Oversight, Nutrition and Forestry.
- Feb 27, 2003: Referred to the Subcommittee on Forests and Forest Health.
- Feb 27, 2003: Executive Comment Requested from USDA.
- Feb 13, 2003: Introduced in House
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- Feb 13, 2003: Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR E251)
- Feb 13, 2003: Referred to the Committee on Resources, and in addition to the Committee on Agriculture, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.
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