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Blackfoot River Land Settlement Act of 2009

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Chamber: Senate

Policy Area: Native Americans

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Latest Action: By Senator Dorgan from Committee on Indian Affairs filed written report. Report No. 111-356. (Dec 2, 2010)

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Sponsor

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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Indian Affairs Committee	Senate	Reported By	Dec 1, 2010

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Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
111 HR 4613	Related bill	Feb 4, 2010: Referred to the House Committee on Natural Resources.

Blackfoot River Land Settlement Act of 2009 - (Sec. 4) Extinguishes all claims and all right, title, and interest in and to specified Indian and non-Indian land with respect to resolution of the disputes within the Fort Hall Indian Reservation of the Shoshone-Bannock Indian Tribes located in Idaho, resulting from the realignment of the Blackfoot River by the Corps of Engineers in 1964.

(Sec. 5) Requires the non-Indian land to be held in trust for the Tribes.

(Sec. 6) Transfers the Indian land to Blackfoot River Flood Control District No. 7 for conveyance to the non-Indians acquiring Indian land.

(Sec. 7) Establishes a tribal trust fund account from which amounts shall be distributed to the Tribes, which they may use for activities related to: (1) construction of a natural resources facility; (2) water resources needs; (3) economic development; (4) land acquisition; and (5) such other purposes they deem to be appropriate.

Establishes an allottee trust account into which amounts shall be deposited into individual Indian money accounts for the allottees.

(Sec. 8) Requires the Secretary of the Interior to pay to the Tribes and the non-Indian landowners such attorneys fees as are approved by them. Limits the total amount of such fees to be paid to 2% of the amounts distributed to the Tribes, allottees, and the non-Indian landowners.

(Sec. 12) Authorizes appropriations, of which, after the payment of attorneys fees: (1) 28% is for deposit into the tribal trust fund account; (2) 25% is for deposit into the allottee trust account; and (3) 47% is to be provided to Blackfoot River Flood Control District No. 7 for distribution to non-Indian landowners and for associated administrative expenses.

Prohibits funds received by the Tribes under this Act from being distributed to tribal members on a per capita basis.

Actions Timeline

- **Dec 2, 2010:** By Senator Dorgan from Committee on Indian Affairs filed written report. Report No. 111-356.
- **Dec 1, 2010:** Committee on Indian Affairs. Reported by Senator Dorgan with amendments. Without written report.
- **Dec 1, 2010:** Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 664.
- **Jun 10, 2010:** Committee on Indian Affairs. Ordered to be reported with an amendment favorably.
- **Apr 29, 2010:** Committee on Indian Affairs. Hearings held. Hearings printed: S.Hrg. 111-631.
- **Nov 19, 2009:** Introduced in Senate
- **Nov 19, 2009:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Indian Affairs.