

## HR 497

### Santa Ana River Wash Plan Land Exchange Act

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**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** Public Lands and Natural Resources

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115-320. (Aug 15, 2018)

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### Sponsor

**Name:** Rep. Cook, Paul [R-CA-8]

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

### Cosponsors (1 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Aguilar, Pete [D-CA-31]	D · CA		Jan 12, 2017

### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Energy and Natural Resources Committee	Senate	Reported By	Jul 30, 2018
Natural Resources Committee	House	Discharged from	Apr 27, 2017

### Subjects & Policy Tags

#### Policy Area:

Public Lands and Natural Resources

### Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
115 S 357	Identical bill	Jul 26, 2017: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources Subcommittee on Public Lands, Forests, and Mining. Hearings held. With printed Hearing: S.Hrg. 115-482.

(This measure has not been amended since it was reported to the House on June 2, 2017. The summary of that version is repeated here.)

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(Sec. 3) This bill directs the Department of the Interior: (1) to convey to the San Bernardino Valley Water Conservation District in California approximately 327 acres of identified federal land administered by the Bureau of Land Management and any portion of an identified federal parcel necessary to equalize the values of the lands exchanged; and (2) to accept in exchange approximately 310 acres of district land and any portion of an identified nonfederal parcel necessary to equalize the values of the lands exchanged.

To the extent an equalization payment is necessary pursuant to the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976, the amount of such payment shall first be made by way of an in-kind transfer as may be necessary to equalize the fair market values of the properties exchanged. If after such in-kind transfer: (1) the value of the federal lands exceeds the value of the nonfederal lands, the district may make a payment equal to the remaining amount to the United States (if the district opts not to make such payment, the exchange shall not proceed); or (2) the value of the nonfederal lands exceeds the value of the federal lands, Interior shall order the exchange to proceed without requiring any additional payment by the United States to the district.

The values of the lands to be exchanged shall be determined by independent and qualified appraisers according to nationally recognized appraisal standards.

The district shall pay any costs related to such conveyance.

(Sec. 4) The land exchange shall be subject to continuing rights of the district to use, maintain, operate, construct, or relocate or expand groundwater recharge facilities on the nonfederal land exchanged to accommodate groundwater recharge of the Bunker Hill Basin to the extent that those activities are not in conflict with any Habitat Conservation Plan or Habitat Management Plan under which such nonfederal land may be held or managed.

(Sec. 5) The bill terminates Secretarial Order 241, dated November 11, 1929 (relating to the withdrawal of a portion of the federal land for an unconstructed transmission line) and revokes the withdrawal effected by such order.

## Actions Timeline

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- **Aug 15, 2018:** By Senator Murkowski from Committee on Energy and Natural Resources filed written report. Report No. 115-320.
- **Jul 30, 2018:** Committee on Energy and Natural Resources. Reported by Senator Murkowski without amendment. Without written report.
- **Jul 30, 2018:** Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 539.
- **May 17, 2018:** Committee on Energy and Natural Resources. Ordered to be reported without amendment favorably.
- **Jun 28, 2017:** Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.
- **Jun 27, 2017:** Mr. Cook moved to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended.
- **Jun 27, 2017:** Considered under suspension of the rules. (consideration: CR H5202-5204)
- **Jun 27, 2017:** DEBATE - The House proceeded with forty minutes of debate on H.R. 497.
- **Jun 27, 2017:** At the conclusion of debate, the Yeas and Nays were demanded and ordered. Pursuant to the provisions of clause 8, rule XX, the Chair announced that further proceedings on the motion would be postponed.
- **Jun 27, 2017:** Considered as unfinished business. (consideration: CR H5217-5218)
- **Jun 27, 2017:** Passed/agreed to in House: On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended Agreed to by the Yeas and Nays: (2/3 required): 424 - 0 (Roll no. 329). (text: CR H5202-5203)
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- **Jun 27, 2017:** Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
- **Jun 27, 2017:** The title of the measure was amended. Agreed to without objection.
- **Jun 2, 2017:** Reported (Amended) by the Committee on Natural Resources. H. Rept. 115-155.
- **Jun 2, 2017:** Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 102.
- **Apr 27, 2017:** Subcommittee on Federal Lands Discharged.
- **Apr 27, 2017:** Ordered to be Reported (Amended) by Unanimous Consent.
- **Apr 27, 2017:** Committee Consideration and Mark-up Session Held.
- **Apr 5, 2017:** Subcommittee Hearings Held.
- **Feb 10, 2017:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Federal Lands.
- **Jan 12, 2017:** Introduced in House
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