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IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

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Mr. HAYDEN (for himself and Mr. GOLDWATER) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs

A BILL

To authorize, construct, operate, and maintain the Central Arizona project, Arizona-New Mexico, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That for the purposes of furnishing supplemental irrigation water and municipal water supplies to the water-deficient areas of Arizona and western New Mexico, through direct diversion or exchange of water, generation and sale of electric energy, control of floods, conservation and development of fish and wildlife resources, enhancement of recreation opportunities, and for other purposes, the Secretary of the Interior acting pursuant to the Federal reclamation laws (Act

of June 17, 1902, 32 Stat. 388, and Acts amendatory thereof or supplementary thereto), is authorized to construct, operate, and maintain the Central Arizona project, Arizona-New Mexico. The principal works of the project shall consist of the Bridge Canyon Dam, Reservoir, and Powerplant; Maxwell Dam, Reservoir, and power-pumping plant; Buttes Dam and Reservoir; Hooker Dam and Reservoir; Charleston Dam and Reservoir; Granite Reef Aqueduct and pumping plants; Tucson Aqueducts and pumping plants; Salt-Gila Aqueduct; canals; electrical transmission facilities, and related water distribution and drainage works.

SEC. 2. (a) Contracts to repay the portion of the cost of the Central Arizona project allocated to irrigation and assigned to be repaid by irrigation water users which are entered into pursuant to subsection (d), section 9, of the Reclamation Project Act of 1939 (53 Stat. 1187) as amended, shall provide for a basic repayment period of not more than fifty years after initiation of water service to any block of land plus a development period, if any, not to exceed ten years as determined by the Secretary.

(b) Rates charged for commercial power and for water for municipal, domestic, or industrial use shall be designed to return to the United States, within not more than fifty years from the completion of each unit of the project which serves those purposes, those costs of constructing, operating,

and maintaining that unit which are allocated to said purpose and interest on the unamortized balance of said construction allocation and, in addition, within the time specified in subsection (a) of this section, so much of the irrigation allocation for each block as is beyond the ability of the water users to repay.

(c) The interest rate to be used for purposes of computing interest during construction and interest on the unpaid balance of those portions of the reimbursable costs which are properly allocable to commercial power development and municipal and industrial water supply shall be determined by the Secretary of the Treasury, as of the beginning of the fiscal year in which this bill is enacted, on the basis of the computed average interest rate payable by the Treasury upon its outstanding marketable public obligations, which are neither due nor callable for redemption for fifteen years from date of issue. If the interest rate so computed is not a multiple of one-eighth of 1 per centum, the rate of interest to be used for these purposes shall be the multiple of one-eighth of 1 per centum next lower than the rate so computed: *Provided, however,* That as to Indian lands payment of construction costs within the capacity of the land to repay shall be subject to the Act of July 1, 1932 (47 Stat. 564).

SEC. 3. (a) The Secretary is authorized as a part of the

Central Arizona project to investigate, plan, construct, operate, and maintain public recreation facilities including access roads, to acquire or to withdraw from entry or other disposition under the public land laws such adjacent lands or interests therein as are necessary for present and future public recreation use, and to provide for public use and enjoyment of the same and of the water areas of the project in a manner consistent with the other project purposes. The Secretary is authorized to enter into agreements with State or local public agencies or other public entities for the operation, maintenance, or additional development of project lands or facilities to State or local agencies or other public entities by lease, transfer, exchange or conveyance, upon such terms and conditions as will best promote their development and operation in the public interest for recreation purposes. The cost of the undertakings described in this section, including costs of investigation, planning, operation, and maintenance and an appropriate share of the joint costs of the Central Arizona project shall be nonreimbursable.

(b) The Secretary may make such reasonable provision in connection with the Central Arizona project as, upon further study in accordance with section 2 of the Fish and Wildlife Coordination Act (48 Stat. 401, as amended; 16 U.S.C. 661, 662), he finds to be required for the conservation and development of fish and wildlife. An appropriate

portion of the cost of the development shall be allocated as provided in said Act and it, together with the Federal operation and maintenance costs allocated to this function, shall be nonreimbursable.

(c) The Secretary is authorized to recognize area redevelopment as defined in Public Law 87–27 as a project function and to allocate such costs to this function as appropriate. The costs so allocated shall be nonreimbursable.

SEC. 4. Nothing contained in this Act shall be construed to alter, amend, repeal, construe, interpret, modify, or be in conflict with the provisions of the Boulder Canyon Project Act (45 Stat. 1057), the Boulder Canyon Project Adjustment Act (54 Stat. 774), the Colorado River compact, the Upper Colorado River Basin compact, the Rio Grande compact of 1938, or the Treaty with the United Mexican States (Treaty Series 994).

SEC. 5. There is hereby authorized to be appropriated, out of any moneys in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, such sums as may be required to carry out the purposes of this Act.

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