



CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE COST ESTIMATE

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H.R. 2050 **Idaho Wilderness Water Resources Protection Act**

*As ordered reported by the House Committee on Natural Resources
on February 29, 2012*

H.R. 2050 would authorize the Secretary of Agriculture to issue special permits for owners to continue using certain water storage, transport, and diversion facilities in the Frank Church-River of No Return Wilderness and the Selway-Bitterroot Wilderness of Idaho. According to the Forest Service, any costs to process the permits would be paid by the permit holders. Because the legislation would affect direct spending (through the collection and spending of receipts), pay-as-you-go procedures apply; however, CBO estimates that enacting H.R. 2050 would have an insignificant impact on net direct spending. Enacting the legislation would not affect revenues.

H.R. 2050 contains no intergovernmental or private-sector mandates as defined in the Unfunded Mandates Reform Act and would impose no costs on state, local, or tribal governments.

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