

DESIGNATION OF TRINITY LAKE

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Mr. YOUNG of Alaska, from the Committee on Resources,
submitted the following

REPORT

[To accompany H.R. 1070]

[Including cost estimate of the Congressional Budget Office]

The Committee on Resources, to whom was referred the bill (H.R. 1070) to designate the reservoir created by Trinity Dam in the Central Valley project, California, as “Trinity Lake”, having considered the same, report favorably thereon without amendment and recommend that the bill do pass.

PURPOSE OF THE BILL

The purpose of H.R. 1070 is to designate the reservoir created by Trinity Dam in the Central Valley Project, California, as “Trinity Lake”.

BACKGROUND AND NEED FOR LEGISLATION

H.R. 1070 would designate the reservoir created by Trinity Dam in the Central Valley Project, California, as “Trinity Lake.” Under the provisions of P.L. 88-662, the reservoir is currently designated as “Clair Engle Lake,” and therefore requires legislation for the name to be changed.

Trinity Dam and the reservoir on the Trinity Lake regulate a drainage area of over 728 square miles. Trinity Dam, completed in 1962, is an earthfill structure 538 feet high with a crest length of 2,450 feet. The reservoir has a maximum storage capacity of 2.448 million acre-feet of water. Releases from the reservoir are used to generate power at Trinity, Lewiston, Spring Creek, Judge Francis Carr, and Keswick powerplants, and for consumptive use in the Central Valley Project.

On February 7, 1995, the Trinity County Board of Supervisors unanimously passed a resolution in support of changing the present name of Clair Engle Lake to Trinity Lake. This would bring the name of the reservoir into conformity with the other facilities at the site, the Trinity Dam and the Trinity powerplant, both located on the Trinity River. There is apparently a great deal of confusion about the reservoir, since most of the local residents already refer to it as Trinity Lake, but it appears on all maps as Clair Engle Lake.

Construction of the Trinity River Division of the Central Valley Project was authorized in 1955, and legislation naming the reservoir after Clair Engle was enacted in 1964. The late Clair Engle was a Member of Congress from California for 20 years, serving for 14 years in the House and almost a full 6-year term in the Senate. During his tenure in the House, he served as the Chairman of the Interior and Insular Affairs Committee during the 84th and 85th Congresses. Mr. Engle was a supporter of the Central Valley Project, and was recognized as an authority on water resources development.

During the hearing on the bill, Members of the Subcommittee discussed the possibility of finding a facility, such as a visitors' center, which could be named for Clair Engle. The Committee supports this recommendation, and requests the Bureau of Reclamation name an appropriate Central Valley Project facility in honor of the late Mr. Engle.

COMMITTEE ACTION

H.R. 1070 was introduced on February 28, 1995, by Congressman Herger. The bill was referred to the Committee on Resources, and within the Committee, to the Subcommittee on Water and Power Resources. On May 11, 1995, the Subcommittee held a hearing on H.R. 1070, where the Administration testified that it did not object to enactment of the bill. On May 24, 1995, the Full Committee met to consider H.R. 1070, which was discharged from the Subcommittee by unanimous consent. No amendments were offered and the bill was ordered favorably reported by voice vote to the House of Representatives, in the presence of a quorum.

COMMITTEE OVERSIGHT FINDINGS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

With respect to the requirements of clause 2(l)(3) of rule XI of the Rules of the House of Representatives, and clause 2(b)(1) of rule X of the Rules of the House of Representatives, the Committee on Resources' oversight findings and recommendations are reflected in the body of this report.

INFLATIONARY IMPACT STATEMENT

Pursuant to clause 2(l)(4) of rule XI of the Rules of the House of Representatives, the Committee estimates that the enactment of H.R. 1070 will have no significant inflationary impact on prices and costs in the operation of the national economy.

COST OF THE LEGISLATION

Clause 7(a) of rule XIII of the Rules of the House of Representatives requires an estimate and a comparison by the Committee of the costs which would be incurred in carrying out H.R. 1070. However, clause 7(d) of that rule provides that this requirement does not apply when the Committee has included in its report a timely submitted cost estimate of the bill prepared by the Director of the Congressional Budget Office under section 403 of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974.

COMPLIANCE WITH HOUSE RULE XI

1. With respect to the requirement of clause 2(l)(3)(B) of rule XI of the Rules of the House of Representatives and section 308(a) of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974, H.R. 1070 does not contain any new budget authority, spending authority, credit authority, or an increase or decrease in revenues or tax expenditures.

2. With respect to the requirement of clause 2(l)(3)(D) of rule XI of the Rules of the House of Representatives, the Committee has received no report of oversight findings and recommendations from the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight on the subject of H.R. 1070.

3. With respect to the requirement of clause 2(l)(3)(C) of rule XI of the Rules of the House of Representatives and section 403 of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974, the Committee has received the following cost estimate for H.R. 1070 from the Director of the Congressional Budget Office.

CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE COST ESTIMATE

U.S. CONGRESS,
CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE,
Washington, DC, May 31, 1995.

Hon. DON YOUNG,
*Chairman, Committee on Resources,
House of Representatives, Washington, DC.*

DEAR MR. CHAIRMAN: The Congressional Budget Office has reviewed H.R. 1070, a bill to designate the reservoir created by Trinity Dam in the Central Valley project, California, as "Trinity Lake", as ordered reported by the House Committee on Resources on May 24, 1995. We estimate that enactment of this legislation would result in no additional costs to the federal government and would not affect the budgets of state or local governments.

Enacting H.R. 1070 would not affect direct spending or receipts. Therefore, pay-as-you-go procedures would not apply to the bill.

If you wish further details on this estimate, we will be pleased to provide them. The CBO staff contact is Theresa Gullo.

Sincerely,

JAMES L. BLUM
(For June E. O'Neill).

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS

The Committee has received no departmental reports on H.R. 1070.

CHANGES IN EXISTING LAW MADE BY THE BILL, AS REPORTED

In compliance with clause 3 of rule XIII of the Rules of the House of Representatives, changes in existing law made by the bill, as reported, are shown as follows (existing law proposed to be omitted is enclosed in black brackets, new matter is printed in italic, existing law in which no change is proposed is shown in roman):

ACT OF OCTOBER 13, 1964

AN ACT To designate as Clair Engle Lake the reservoir created by the Trinity Dam, Central Valley project, California.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, [That the reservoir created by the Trinity Dam Central Valley project, California, shall hereafter be known as Clair Engle Lake as an appropriate tribute to the outstanding leadership and great service which the late Clair Engle performed on behalf of the development of our natural resources in the State of California and the Nation, and especially his enlightened vision for the necessity to conserve and put to the best possible beneficial use the water and power resources of this Nation, and any law, regulation, document, or record of the United States in which such reservoir is designated or referred to shall hereafter be held to refer to such reservoir by the name of Clair Engle Lake.]