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H. R. 9969

To provide for a memorandum of understanding to address the impacts of a certain record of decision on the Upper Colorado River Basin Fund.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

OCTOBER 11, 2024

Ms. HAGEMAN (for herself, Ms. MALOY, and Mr. CURTIS) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Natural Resources

A BILL

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING TO AD-**
4 **DRESS POTENTIAL IMPACTS OF A CERTAIN**
5 **RECORD OF DECISION ON THE UPPER COLO-**
6 **RADO RIVER BASIN FUND.**

7 (a) IN GENERAL.—As soon as practicable after the
8 date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary of the Inte-
9 rior, acting through the Commissioner of Reclamation,
10 and the Secretary of Energy, acting through the Adminis-

1 trator of the Western Area Power Administration, in con-
2 sultation with the Glen Canyon Dam Adaptive Manage-
3 ment Work Group, shall enter into a memorandum of un-
4 derstanding to explore and address the impact that the
5 record of decision entitled the “Supplement to the 2016
6 Glen Canyon Dam Long-Term Experimental and Manage-
7 ment Plan Record of Decision” and dated July 2024 (re-
8 ferred to in this section as the “record of decision”) has
9 on the Upper Colorado River Basin Fund (referred to in
10 this section as the “Fund”).

11 (b) REQUIRED PLAN.—The memorandum of under-
12 standing entered into under subsection (a) shall, using in-
13 formation derived from existing hydropower contracts, in-
14 clude the establishment of a plan to—

15 (1) address the effects that the record of deci-
16 sion may have on Fund obligations including routine
17 operations, maintenance, and replacement of critical
18 infrastructure;

19 (2) address the impact that the record of deci-
20 sion has on hydropower production at Glen Canyon
21 Dam, including costs to replace hydropower re-
22 sources and grid reliability; and

23 (3) identify impacts that the record of decision
24 has had on species listed as a threatened species or

1 an endangered species under section 4 of the Endan-
2 gered Species Act of 1973 (16 U.S.C. 1533).

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