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To provide for a national water data framework, to provide for the water security of the Rio Grande Basin, to reauthorize irrigation infrastructure grants, and for other purposes.

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Mr. HEINRICH (for himself and Mr. LUJÁN) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and 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. SHORT TITLE; TABLE OF CONTENTS.**

4 (a) SHORT TITLE.—This Act may be cited as the
5 “Water Data and Security Act of 2022”.

6 (b) TABLE OF CONTENTS.—The table of contents for
7 this Act is as follows:

Sec. 1. Short title; table of contents.

Sec. 2. Definitions.

TITLE I—WATER DATA

- Sec. 101. Definitions.
 Sec. 102. National Water Data Framework.
 Sec. 103. Water Data Council.
 Sec. 104. Advisory Committee on Water Information.
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 Sec. 204. Effect of title.

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- Sec. 301. Reauthorization of Pueblo irrigation infrastructure grants.

1 **SEC. 2. DEFINITIONS.**

2 In this Act:

3 (1) INDIAN TRIBE.—The term “Indian Tribe”
 4 has the meaning given the term in section 4 of the
 5 Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance
 6 Act (25 U.S.C. 5304).

7 (2) SECRETARY.—The term “Secretary” means
 8 the Secretary of the Interior.

9 **TITLE I—WATER DATA**

10 **SEC. 101. DEFINITIONS.**

11 In this title:

12 (1) ADVISORY COMMITTEE.—The term “Advi-
 13 sory Committee” means the Advisory Committee on
 14 Water Information established by section 104(a).

1 (2) COUNCIL.—The term “Council” means the
2 Water Data Council established under section
3 103(a).

4 (3) DATA STANDARDS.—The term “data stand-
5 ards” means standards relating to the manner in
6 which data are to be structured, populated, and en-
7 coded in machine-readable formats, and made inter-
8 operable for data exchange.

9 (4) DEPARTMENTS.—The term “Departments”
10 means each of the following:

11 (A) The Department of Agriculture.

12 (B) The Department of Commerce.

13 (C) The Department of Defense.

14 (D) The Department of Energy.

15 (E) The Department of Health and
16 Human Services.

17 (F) The Department of Homeland Secu-
18 rity.

19 (G) The Department of the Interior.

20 (H) The Environmental Protection Agency.

21 (I) The National Aeronautics and Space
22 Administration.

23 (5) NATIONAL WATER DATA FRAMEWORK.—
24 The term “National Water Data Framework” means

1 the national water data framework developed under
2 section 102.

3 (6) WATER DATA.—The term “water data”
4 means measurements of basic properties relating to
5 the planning and management of water resources,
6 including streamflow, precipitation, groundwater,
7 soil moisture, snow, evaporation, water quality, and
8 water use in agriculture, industry, natural systems,
9 and municipal uses.

10 (7) WATER DATA GRANT PROGRAM.—The term
11 “Water Data Grant Program” means the water data
12 grant program established under section 105(a).

13 (8) WATER DATA INFRASTRUCTURE.—The term
14 “water data infrastructure” means an integrated
15 system of information technologies that includes
16 common standards, formats, and tools to make
17 water data easy to find, access, and share online.

18 **SEC. 102. NATIONAL WATER DATA FRAMEWORK.**

19 (a) IN GENERAL.—For the purpose of improving
20 water resources management and access across the United
21 States, including addressing drought, floods, and other
22 water management challenges, the heads of the Depart-
23 ments shall jointly develop and implement a national water
24 data framework for integrating, sharing, and using water
25 data.

1 (b) REQUIREMENTS.—In developing and imple-
2 menting the National Water Data Framework, the De-
3 partments shall—

4 (1) identify and prioritize key water data need-
5 ed to support water resources management and
6 planning, including—

7 (A) water data sets, types, and associated
8 metadata; and

9 (B) water data infrastructure, tech-
10 nologies, and tools;

11 (2) develop and adopt common national water
12 data standards for collecting, sharing, and inte-
13 grating water data, infrastructure, technologies, and
14 tools in consultation with States, Indian Tribes, local
15 governments, and relevant bodies;

16 (3) ensure that Federal water data are made
17 findable, accessible, interoperable, and reusable in
18 accordance with the standards developed and adopt-
19 ed pursuant to this title;

20 (4) integrate water data and tools through com-
21 mon approaches to data infrastructure, platforms,
22 models, and tool development;

23 (5) establish a common, national geospatial
24 index for publishing and linking water data from

1 Federal, State, Tribal, and other non-Federal
2 sources for online discovery;

3 (6) harmonize and align policies, programs, pro-
4 tocols, budgets, and funding programs relating to
5 water data to achieve the purposes of this title to
6 the maximum extent practicable;

7 (7) participate in and coordinate water data ac-
8 tivities with the Council; and

9 (8) support the adoption of new technologies
10 and the development of tools for water data collec-
11 tion, sharing, and standardization by Federal, State,
12 Tribal, local, and other entities.

13 **SEC. 103. WATER DATA COUNCIL.**

14 (a) IN GENERAL.—The heads of the Departments
15 shall establish an interagency Council, to be known as the
16 “Water Data Council”, to support the development and
17 implementation of the National Water Data Framework.

18 (b) MEMBERSHIP.—

19 (1) DUTIES OF SECRETARY.—The Secretary
20 shall—

21 (A) serve as the Chair of the Council;

22 (B) in collaboration with the Office of
23 Science and Technology Policy, convene the
24 Council not less frequently than 4 times each
25 year; and

1 (C) provide staff support for the Council
2 through the United States Geological Survey.

3 (2) MEMBERS.—Council Members shall include
4 the heads of the following entities:

5 (A) The Departments.

6 (B) Bureaus and offices of the Depart-
7 ments that have a significant role or interest in
8 water data, including—

9 (i) the Corps of Engineers;

10 (ii) the Bureau of Indian Affairs;

11 (iii) the Bureau of Reclamation;

12 (iv) the Federal Emergency Manage-
13 ment Agency;

14 (v) the Federal Energy Regulatory
15 Commission;

16 (vi) the United States Fish and Wild-
17 life Service;

18 (vii) the Indian Health Service;

19 (viii) the Forest Service;

20 (ix) the National Laboratories;

21 (x) the Natural Resources Conserva-
22 tion Service;

23 (xi) the National Oceanic and Atmos-
24 pheric Administration;

1 (xii) the Rural Development program
2 of the Department of Agriculture; and

3 (xiii) the United States Geological
4 Survey.

5 (C) Offices of the Executive Office of the
6 President, including—

7 (i) the Council on Environmental
8 Quality;

9 (ii) the Office of Management and
10 Budget; and

11 (iii) the Office of Science and Tech-
12 nology Policy.

13 (D) Other Federal entities that the Chair
14 and a majority of the members of the Council
15 described in subparagraphs (A) through (C) de-
16 termine to be appropriate.

17 (c) DUTIES.—The Council shall—

18 (1) support the development and implementa-
19 tion of the National Water Data Framework; and

20 (2) facilitate communication and collaboration
21 among members of the Council—

22 (A) to establish, adopt, and implement
23 common national water data standards;

1 (B) to promote water data sharing and in-
2 tegration across Federal departments and agen-
3 cies, including—

4 (i) water data collection, documenta-
5 tion, maintenance, distribution, and preser-
6 vation strategies; and

7 (ii) development and use of water data
8 infrastructure, tools, and technologies to
9 support water management and planning;

10 (C) to align the policies, programs, proto-
11 cols, budgets, and funding programs relating to
12 water data of the members of the Council; and

13 (D) to promote partnerships across Fed-
14 eral entities and non-Federal entities—

15 (i) to advance innovation and solu-
16 tions in water data, technology, tools, plan-
17 ning, and management; and

18 (ii) to develop guidelines for data
19 sharing and protecting data privacy.

20 (d) WATER DATA COUNCIL REPORTS.—Not later
21 than 180 days after the date of enactment of this Act,
22 and annually thereafter, in conjunction with the annual
23 budget submission of the President to Congress under sec-
24 tion 1105(a) of title 31, United States Code, the Sec-
25 retary, acting on behalf of the Council, shall submit to

1 members of the Council and the appropriate committees
2 of Congress and make available publicly online a report
3 that describes—

4 (1) the National Water Data Framework;

5 (2) the actions undertaken by the Departments
6 to implement this title pursuant to section 102;

7 (3) key water data sets, types, and infrastruc-
8 ture needed to support water management and plan-
9 ning;

10 (4) goals, targets, and actions to carry out the
11 National Water Data Framework in the subsequent
12 fiscal year;

13 (5) a summary and evaluation of the progress
14 of the Departments in achieving any prior goals, tar-
15 gets, and actions to carry out the National Water
16 Data Framework;

17 (6) actions needed to align policies, programs,
18 and budgetary resources to carry out the National
19 Water Data Framework in the subsequent fiscal
20 year;

21 (7) grants and assistance provided to State,
22 Tribal, and local entities toward the development
23 and adoption of new technologies and tools;

24 (8) opportunities to develop and incentivize the
25 deployment of promising next-generation tech-

1 nologies, including new water data technologies and
2 tools, in partnership with the private sector and oth-
3 ers to accomplish the purposes of this title; and

4 (9) metrics for achieving the National Water
5 Data Framework.

6 **SEC. 104. ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON WATER INFORMATION.**

7 (a) ESTABLISHMENT.—There is established within
8 the Department of the Interior an advisory committee, to
9 be known as the “Advisory Committee on Water Informa-
10 tion”, to advise the Secretary, Departments, and Council
11 on the development and implementation of the National
12 Water Data Framework.

13 (b) MEMBERSHIP.—

14 (1) COMPOSITION.—The Advisory Committee
15 shall be composed of members, to be appointed by
16 the Secretary in a manner that provides for—

17 (A) balanced representation among various
18 entities involved in water-related activities; and

19 (B) consideration for a geographic balance
20 of individuals representing localities across the
21 United States.

22 (2) SELECTION.—Members of the Advisory
23 Committee shall be selected by the Secretary from
24 among entities involved in water-related activities,
25 including—

- 1 (A) States;
- 2 (B) Indian Tribes;
- 3 (C) local governments;
- 4 (D) Federal entities;
- 5 (E) water agencies, utilities, conservation
6 districts, irrigation districts, acequias, and
7 other water user associations;
- 8 (F) organizations that facilitate collabora-
9 tion across States and multi-state instrumental-
10 ities;
- 11 (G) educational institutions;
- 12 (H) professional organizations;
- 13 (I) water data and technology-related ex-
14 perts, professionals, and industries;
- 15 (J) private sector entities; and
- 16 (K) nonprofit organizations.

17 (3) TERM.—Members of the Advisory Com-
18 mittee shall be appointed by the Secretary for a
19 term not to exceed 4 years.

20 (c) CHAIR.—The Secretary shall serve as the Chair
21 of the Advisory Committee.

22 (d) STAFF SUPPORT.—The United States Geological
23 Survey shall provide support services for the Advisory
24 Committee.

1 (e) MEETINGS.—The Advisory Committee shall meet
2 at the call of the Chair, but not less frequently than 4
3 times each year.

4 (f) DUTIES.—The duties of the Advisory Committee
5 are to advise the Secretary, Departments, and Council
6 on—

7 (1) the development and implementation of the
8 National Water Data Framework;

9 (2) efforts to operate a cost-effective national
10 network of water data collection and analysis that
11 meets the priority water information needs of the
12 Federal Government and, to the extent practicable
13 using available resources, the needs of the non-Fed-
14 eral community that are tied to national interests;

15 (3) efforts to develop uniform standards, guide-
16 lines, and procedures for the collection, analysis,
17 management, and dissemination of water informa-
18 tion to improve quality, consistency, and accessibility
19 nationwide; and

20 (4) the effectiveness of existing water informa-
21 tion programs and recommended modifications need-
22 ed to respond to changes in legislation, technology,
23 and other conditions.

24 (g) APPLICABILITY OF FACA.—

1 (1) IN GENERAL.—Except as provided in para-
2 graph (2), the Federal Advisory Committee Act (5
3 U.S.C. App.) shall apply to the Advisory Committee.

4 (2) NO TERMINATION.—Section 14(a)(2) of the
5 Federal Advisory Committee Act (5 U.S.C. App.)
6 shall not apply to the Advisory Committee.

7 **SEC. 105. WATER DATA GRANT PROGRAM.**

8 (a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary shall establish a
9 water data grant program under which the Secretary shall
10 award grants—

11 (1) to support non-Federal entities in making
12 water data sets findable, accessible, interoperable,
13 and reusable in accordance with the water data
14 standards established under this title;

15 (2) to advance the development of water data
16 infrastructure, tools, and technologies to facilitate
17 the sharing and use of water data;

18 (3) to support programs and projects that fa-
19 cilitate water data sharing and use in water re-
20 sources management and the implementation of the
21 National Water Data Framework; and

22 (4) to provide a prize for accelerating innova-
23 tion and developing next-generation water data tools
24 and technologies.

1 (b) COORDINATION WITH THE COUNCIL.—The Sec-
2 retary shall consult and coordinate with the Council in cre-
3 ating and implementing the Water Data Grant Program
4 to ensure that—

5 (1) the Water Data Grant Program is aligned
6 with and carries out the purposes of this title; and

7 (2) grants and programs are harmonized across
8 the Departments and members of the Council to
9 achieve the purposes of this title.

10 (c) ELIGIBLE ENTITIES.—An entity eligible for a
11 grant under the Water Data Grant Program—

12 (1) shall demonstrate significant needs or capa-
13 bilities for advancing water data sharing and tools
14 with a significant public benefit; and

15 (2) may include—

16 (A) a State, multistate instrumentality, In-
17 dian Tribe, or other unit of local government;

18 (B) a water agency, utility, conservation
19 district, irrigation district, acequia, mutual do-
20 mestic association, or other entity organized
21 pursuant to Federal, Tribal, or local laws for
22 the purpose of water-related activities;

23 (C) an educational institution or nonprofit
24 organization; and

1 (D) in the case of carrying out activities
2 described in subsection (a)(4)—

3 (i) an individual who is a citizen or
4 legal resident of the United States; or

5 (ii) an entity that is incorporated and
6 maintains the primary place of business of
7 the entity in the United States.

8 (d) REQUIREMENTS.—

9 (1) DATA SHARING AND STANDARDS.—Any
10 project funded through the Water Data Grant Pro-
11 gram shall be implemented in accordance with the
12 water data standards established under section 102.

13 (2) USE OF EXISTING WATER DATA INFRA-
14 STRUCTURE.—The recipient of a grant shall, to the
15 extent practicable, leverage existing water data and
16 water data infrastructure.

17 (e) REPORT.—Not later than 1 year after the date
18 of enactment of this Act, and annually thereafter, in con-
19 junction with the annual budget submission of the Presi-
20 dent to Congress under section 1105(a) of title 31, United
21 States Code, the Secretary shall submit to Congress a re-
22 port that describes the implementation of the Water Data
23 Grant Program, including—

1 (1) a description of the use and deployment of
2 amounts made available under the Water Data
3 Grant Program;

4 (2) an accounting of all grants awarded under
5 the Water Data Grant Program, including a descrip-
6 tion of—

7 (A) each grant recipient; and

8 (B) each project funded under the Water
9 Data Grant Program;

10 (3) an assessment of the success of the Water
11 Data Grant Program in advancing the purposes of
12 this title; and

13 (4) a plan for the subsequent fiscal year to
14 achieve the purposes of this title.

15 (f) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—There is
16 authorized to be appropriated to the Secretary to carry
17 out the Water Data Grant Program \$25,000,000 for each
18 of fiscal years 2023 through 2027, to remain available
19 until expended.

20 (g) ADMINISTRATIVE COSTS.—Of the funds author-
21 ized to be appropriated under subsection (f), not more
22 than 3 percent may be used by the Secretary for adminis-
23 trative costs.

1 **SEC. 106. AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.**

2 There is authorized to be appropriated to the Sec-
3 retary to carry out sections 102 through 104 \$15,000,000
4 for each of fiscal years 2023 through 2027, to remain
5 available until expended.

6 **TITLE II—RIO GRANDE WATER**
7 **SECURITY**

8 **SEC. 201. DEFINITIONS.**

9 In this title:

10 (1) **BASIN PLAN.**—The term “Basin Plan”
11 means the integrated water resources management
12 plan for the Rio Grande Basin developed under sec-
13 tion 202(a).

14 (2) **BASIN STATE.**—The term “Basin State”
15 means each of the following States:

16 (A) Colorado.

17 (B) New Mexico.

18 (C) Texas.

19 (3) **NATURE-BASED FEATURE.**—The term “na-
20 ture-based feature” has the meaning given the term
21 in section 9502 of the Omnibus Public Land Man-
22 agement Act of 2009 (42 U.S.C. 10362).

23 (4) **RIO GRANDE BASIN.**—The term “Rio
24 Grande Basin” means the mainstem of the Rio
25 Grande from the headwaters of the Rio Grande in
26 Colorado to the mouth of the Rio Grande in Texas

1 and any hydrologically connected groundwater,
 2 aquifers, and tributaries, including tributaries that
 3 provide water via basin transfers.

4 (5) WORKING GROUP.—The term “Working
 5 Group” means the Rio Grande Basin Working
 6 Group convened under section 202(a).

7 **SEC. 202. INTEGRATED WATER RESOURCES MANAGEMENT**
 8 **PLAN FOR THE RIO GRANDE BASIN.**

9 (a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 120 days after the
 10 date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary shall convene
 11 a Federal Working Group, to be known as the “Rio
 12 Grande Basin Working Group”, to consult and collaborate
 13 with the Basin States, Indian Tribes, units of local govern-
 14 ment, irrigation districts, conservation districts, acequias,
 15 land Grant-Mercedes, and other local partners in the Rio
 16 Grande Basin to develop and implement an integrated
 17 water resources management plan for the Rio Grande
 18 Basin using the best available science, data, and local
 19 knowledge.

20 (b) PURPOSE.—The purpose of the Basin Plan is to
 21 improve—

22 (1) water security and quality for communities
 23 throughout the Rio Grande Basin;

24 (2) river and watershed health for ecosystems,
 25 fish, and wildlife in the Rio Grande Basin;

1 (3) the resilience of communities and eco-
2 systems in the Rio Grande Basin to drought and hy-
3 drologic change; and

4 (4) consultation, collaboration, and partnerships
5 among Federal agencies, Basin States, Indian
6 Tribes, and local partners within the Rio Grande
7 Basin.

8 (c) REQUIREMENTS.—The Basin Plan shall in-
9 clude—

10 (1) a list of recommended projects and activi-
11 ties to achieve the purpose described in subsection
12 (b), using the best available science for current and
13 future conditions in the Rio Grande Basin, including
14 recommendations for—

15 (A) improving infrastructure design, main-
16 tenance, repair, planning, management, and op-
17 erations throughout the Rio Grande Basin;

18 (B) improving science, data, monitoring,
19 and collaboration to improve understanding of
20 the Rio Grande Basin, including—

21 (i) the hydrology and other processes
22 of the Rio Grande Basin; and

23 (ii) the long-term availability of water
24 across the Rio Grande Basin;

1 (C) increasing water conservation in the
2 Rio Grande Basin through partnerships with
3 communities and water users;

4 (D) investments in nature-based features,
5 infrastructure, and habitat improvements to im-
6 prove river health, resilience, water security,
7 and hazard mitigation in the Rio Grande Basin;

8 (E) updating reservoir operations authori-
9 ties and water control manuals; and

10 (F) improving consultation, collaboration,
11 and partnerships throughout the Rio Grande
12 Basin to achieve the objectives described in sub-
13 paragraphs (A) through (E);

14 (2) a list of potential changes to existing Fed-
15 eral authorities that may be needed to implement
16 the Basin Plan; and

17 (3) a timeline for implementing the Basin Plan
18 over a 30-year period.

19 (d) REPORT TO CONGRESS.—Not later than 2 years
20 after the date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary
21 shall—

22 (1) submit the Basin Plan to—

23 (A) the appropriate committees of Con-
24 gress; and

1 (B) the Basin States, Indian Tribes lo-
2 cated within the Rio Grande Basin, and local
3 partners; and

4 (2) make the Basin Plan publicly available on-
5 line.

6 (e) IMPLEMENTATION.—

7 (1) IN GENERAL.—On submission of the Basin
8 Plan to Congress under subsection (d)(1)(A), the
9 relevant agencies of the Working Group may imple-
10 ment recommended projects and activities from the
11 Basin Plan to achieve the purposes of this title, in-
12 cluding—

13 (A) water conservation and restoration
14 projects;

15 (B) streamflow and groundwater recharge
16 improvements;

17 (C) optimization of Federal project man-
18 agement, including—

19 (i) improvements and flexibility in res-
20 ervoir, irrigation, and flood control project
21 operations; and

22 (ii) updates and amendments to par-
23 ticular reservoir operations authorities,
24 contracts, and water control manuals with-
25 in the Rio Grande Basin, consistent with

1 the recommendations provided in sub-
2 section (c)(1)(E);

3 (D) studies of relevant projects and activi-
4 ties requiring further authorization;

5 (E) the establishment of a collaborative
6 science, data, and monitoring program for the
7 Rio Grande Basin; and

8 (F) the establishment of a coordinated
9 technical assistance program to support Rio
10 Grande Basin stakeholders in accessing re-
11 sources and programs to achieve the purposes
12 of this title.

13 (2) WAIVER.—In implementing this subsection,
14 the relevant agencies of the Working Group may
15 waive or reduce Federal cost-share requirements for
16 projects and activities that demonstrate significant
17 public benefits in accordance with the purpose de-
18 scribed in subsection (b).

19 (f) REQUIREMENTS.—The projects and activities im-
20 plemented pursuant to subsection (e) shall be—

21 (1) subject to required authorization and appro-
22 priation by Congress;

23 (2) contingent on the completion of applicable
24 feasibility studies, environmental reviews, and cost-

1 benefit analyses that include favorable recommenda-
2 tions for the proposed projects and activities; and

3 (3) implemented—

4 (A) in accordance with applicable law, in-
5 cluding—

6 (i) the National Environmental Policy
7 Act of 1969 (42 U.S.C. 4321 et seq.);

8 (ii) the Endangered Species Act of
9 1973 (16 U.S.C. 1531 et seq.); and

10 (iii) the Federal Water Pollution Con-
11 trol Act (33 U.S.C. 1251 et seq.);

12 (B) in consultation with and in accordance
13 with State, Tribal, and local authorities in the
14 Basin States;

15 (C) in accordance with interstate and
16 international agreements applicable to the Rio
17 Grande Basin; and

18 (D) in accordance with the water rights of
19 any Indian Tribe or agreements between any
20 Indian Tribe and the United States.

21 (g) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—There
22 are authorized to be appropriated to the heads of the agen-
23 cies represented on the Working Group such sums as are
24 necessary to carry out this title for each of fiscal years
25 2023 through 2052.

1 **SEC. 203. RIO GRANDE BASIN WORKING GROUP.**

2 (a) COMPOSITION.—The Working Group shall be
3 composed of the following members:

4 (1) The Administrator of the Environmental
5 Protection Agency.

6 (2) The Assistant Secretary of the Army for
7 Civil Works.

8 (3) The Chief of the Forest Service.

9 (4) The Chief of the Natural Resources Con-
10 servation Service.

11 (5) The Commissioner of the International
12 Boundary and Water Commission.

13 (6) The Commissioner of Reclamation.

14 (7) The Director of any National Laboratory lo-
15 cated in a Basin State.

16 (8) The Director of the Bureau of Indian Af-
17 fairs.

18 (9) The Director of the Bureau of Land Man-
19 agement.

20 (10) The Director of the National Park Service.

21 (11) The Director of the United States Fish
22 and Wildlife Service.

23 (12) The Director of the United States Geologi-
24 cal Survey.

25 (13) The Secretary of Energy.

1 (14) The Under Secretary for Rural Develop-
2 ment.

3 (15) The heads of any other relevant Federal
4 agencies, as determined to be appropriate by a ma-
5 jority of the members of the Working Group de-
6 scribed in paragraphs (1) through (14).

7 (b) DUTIES.—The Working Group shall consult, col-
8 laborate, and work with Basin States, Indian Tribes lo-
9 cated within the Rio Grande Basin, and local partners—

10 (1) to develop and implement a Basin Plan; and

11 (2) on submission of the Basin Plan to Con-
12 gress under section 202(d)(1)(A), to support ongo-
13 ing collaboration across the Rio Grande Basin
14 among Federal stakeholders and non-Federal stake-
15 holders within the Rio Grande Basin.

16 **SEC. 204. EFFECT OF TITLE.**

17 Nothing in this title—

18 (1) affects, waives, abrogates, diminishes, de-
19 fines, or interprets any water right of any Indian
20 Tribe or agreement between any Indian Tribe and
21 the United States;

22 (2) affects a contract or benefit in existence on
23 the date of enactment of this Act that was executed
24 pursuant to the reclamation laws, unless otherwise
25 agreed to by the parties to the contract or benefit;

1 (3) affects any interstate or international agree-
 2 ment regarding the Rio Grande and the waters of
 3 the Rio Grande, or any other interstate compact or
 4 agreement regarding water;

5 (4) affects any ongoing treaty obligations; or

6 (5) limits or affects any Basin State or Indian
 7 Tribe in the management of water quantity or qual-
 8 ity in accordance with State or Tribal laws, as appli-
 9 cable.

10 **TITLE III—PUEBLO IRRIGATION**

11 **SEC. 301. REAUTHORIZATION OF PUEBLO IRRIGATION IN-** 12 **FRASTRUCTURE GRANTS.**

13 Section 9106(g)(2) of the Omnibus Public Land
 14 Management Act of 2009 (Public Law 111–11; 123 Stat.
 15 1309) is amended—

16 (1) by striking “is authorized” and inserting
 17 “are authorized”; and

18 (2) by striking “\$6,000,000” and all that fol-
 19 lows through the period at the end and inserting
 20 “such sums as are necessary for each of fiscal years
 21 2022 through 2032.”.

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