

114TH CONGRESS
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H. R. 1219

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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MARCH 3, 2015

Mr. COLE 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. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Arbuckle Project Main-
5 tenance Complex and District Office Conveyance Act of
6 2015”.

1 **SEC. 2. CONVEYANCE OF MAINTENANCE COMPLEX AND**
2 **DISTRICT OFFICE OF THE ARBUCKLE**
3 **PROJECT, OKLAHOMA.**

4 (a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of the Interior may
5 convey to the Arbuckle Master Conservancy District, lo-
6 cated in Murray County, Oklahoma, all right, title, and
7 interest of the United States in and to the Maintenance
8 Complex and District Office, Arbuckle Project, Oklahoma,
9 consistent with the terms and conditions set forth in the
10 Agreement between the United States and the Arbuckle
11 Master Conservancy District.

12 (b) DEFINITIONS.—

13 (1) AGREEMENT.—The term “Agreement”
14 means the Agreement between the United States
15 and the Arbuckle Master Conservancy District for
16 Transferring Title to the Federally Owned Mainte-
17 nance Complex and District Office to the Arbuckle
18 Master Conservancy District (Agreement No.
19 14AG640141).

20 (2) DISTRICT OFFICE.—The term “District Of-
21 fice” means the headquarters building located at
22 2440 East Main, Davis, Oklahoma, and the approxi-
23 mately 0.83 acres described in the Agreement.

24 (3) MAINTENANCE COMPLEX.—The term
25 “Maintenance Complex” means the caretakers resi-
26 dence, shop buildings, and any appurtenances lo-

1 cated on the lands described in the Agreement, to
2 include approximately 2.00 acres, more or less.

3 (c) LIABILITY.—Effective upon the date of convey-
4 ance of the Maintenance Complex and District Office
5 under this section, the United States shall not be held lia-
6 ble by any court for damages of any kind arising out of
7 any act, omission, or occurrence relating to the Mainte-
8 nance Complex and District Office, except for damages
9 caused by acts of negligence committed by the United
10 States or by its employees or agents prior to the date of
11 conveyance. Nothing in this section increases the liability
12 of the United States beyond that provided in chapter 171
13 of title 28, United States Code (popularly known as the
14 “Federal Tort Claims Act”) on the date of the enactment
15 of this Act.

16 (d) BENEFITS.—After conveyance of the Mainte-
17 nance Complex and District Office to the Arbuckle Master
18 Conservancy District—

19 (1) the Maintenance Complex and District Of-
20 fice shall not be considered to be a part of a Federal
21 reclamation project; and

22 (2) such water district shall not be eligible to
23 receive any benefits with respect to any facility com-
24 prising that Maintenance Complex and District Of-
25 fice, except benefits that would be available to a

- 1 similarly situated person with respect to such a facil-
- 2 ity that is not part of a Federal reclamation project.

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