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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR, ENVIRONMENT, AND  
RELATED AGENCIES APPROPRIATION BILL, 2013

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Mr. SIMPSON, from the Committee on Appropriations,  
submitted the following

R E P O R T

together with

MINORITY VIEWS

[To accompany H.R. 6091]

The Committee on Appropriations submits the following report in explanation of the accompanying bill making appropriations for the Department of the Interior, the Environmental Protection Agency, and Related Agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2013. The bill provides regular annual appropriations for the Department of the Interior (except the Bureau of Reclamation and the Central Utah Project), the Environmental Protection Agency, and for other related agencies, including the Forest Service, the Indian Health Service, the Smithsonian Institution, and the National Foundation on the Arts and the Humanities.

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Section 411 continues a provision addressing timber sales involving Alaskan western red cedar.

Section 412 modifies a provision continuing certain authorities to renew grazing permits or leases administered by the Forest Service or Department of the Interior.

Section 413 continues a provision which prohibits no-bid contracts and grants except under certain circumstances.

Section 414 continues a provision which requires public disclosure of certain reports.

Section 415 continues a provision which delineates the grant guidelines for the National Endowment for the Arts.

Section 416 continues a provision which delineates the program priorities for the programs managed by the National Endowment for the Arts.

Section 417 provides guidelines relating to National Endowment for the Arts grant awards to States.

Section 418 continues a provision requiring the Department of the Interior, the EPA, the Forest Service, and the Indian Health Service provide the Committees on Appropriations a quarterly report on the status of balances of appropriations.

Section 419 requires the President to submit a report to the Committees on Appropriations no later than 120 days after the fiscal year 2014 budget is submitted to Congress describing in detail all Federal agency obligations and expenditures for climate change programs and activities in fiscal year 2012.

Section 420 continues a provision prohibiting the use of funds to promulgate or implement any regulation requiring the issuance of permits under title V of the Clean Air Act for carbon dioxide, nitrous oxide, water vapor, or methane emissions.

Section 421 continues a provision prohibiting the use of funds to implement any provision in a rule if that provision requires mandatory reporting of greenhouse gas emissions from manure management systems.

Section 422 clarifies Silvicultural Operations under the Federal Water Pollution Control Act.

Section 423 directs the Secretary of the Interior to reissue a final rule that shall not be subject to judicial review.

Section 424 continues a provision prohibiting the government from entering into contracts or agreements with any corporation that was convicted of a felony criminal violation under any Federal law within the preceding 24 months.

Section 425 continues a provision prohibiting funds for contracts or agreements with entities with unpaid Federal tax liabilities that have not entered into payment agreements to remedy the liability.

Section 426 extends the Herger-Feinstein Library Group Forestry Recovery Act.

Section 427 extends the Colorado Good Neighbor authority to all western states.

Section 428 requires the Forest Service to identify land for fire stations within National Recreation Areas.

Section 429 extends Forest Service cost recovery for special uses for five years.

Section 430 allows interpretive associations to partner with the Forest Service.