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TO: WESTCAS Membership

FROM: Fred B. Hicks and Tom Ray

SUBJECT: WESTCAS Letters to Energy and Water Appropriators

The Senate FY12 Energy and Water Appropriations bill includes over \$80,000,000 in additional Bureau of Reclamation over and above what was requested by the Administration. It also includes wording which expresses strong support for individual Members of Congress being able to advocate for their own water resources projects.

WESTCAS has written to Senator Feinstein who chairs the Senate Energy and Water Appropriations Committee to thank her for both of these items in her bill. And WESTCAS has also written to Chairman Frelinghuysen of the House Energy and Water Appropriations Committee asking that he recede to the higher funding level for the Bureau in whatever final form the bill may take.

You can review both letters by opening the attachment.

The FY12 Appropriations process, status of issues such as P&G and Clean Water Guidance, and the challenge of funding water resources infrastructure will all be discussed during the WESTCAS Legislative Committee conference call on Friday afternoon at 3:00 PM Central Time, 2:00 PM Mountain Time, and 1:00 PM Pacific Time.

We hope you will be able to participate.

Call in number is: 877 226 9790

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