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THE INTERIOR AND RELATED AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS BILL FOR FISCAL YEAR 2002 Conference Report

SUMMARY

The Interior and Related Agencies Appropriations bill reported by the committee on conference (H.R. 2217, H. Rept. 107-234) provides \$19.120 billion in budget authority [BA] and \$18.017 billion in outlays for fiscal year 2002. These amounts include \$400 million in BA and \$289 million in outlays for emergency-designated appropriations. After

adjusting for this emergency designation, the budget authority and outlays provided by this legislation will be below the 302(b) allocation established pursuant to the fiscal year 2002 budget resolution. They also are consistent with the discretionary spending agreement between the President and the bipartisan congressional leadership.

Interior and Related Agencies Conference Report (fiscal years; millions of dollars)				
	2001 Enacted	Administration 2002 Request	House Passed	Conference
Budget Authority	19,026	18,092	18,941	19,120
Outlays	16,674	17,249	17,800	18,017

DISCUSSION

The conference report, including emergency-designated spending, provides an increase of \$94 million in BA from the fiscal year 2001 enacted amount, and \$179 million in BA above the amount passed by the House. The table on the following page provides a comparison, by agency, of the amounts provided in the conference agreement and the House-Passed bill. The emergency-designated appropriations in the conference report provide budget authority of \$346

million for the Department of Agriculture and \$54 million for the Department of Interior wildland fire management accounts. The bill also contains an advance appropriation of \$36 million for payments under the Elk Hills School lands fund settlement agreement; the advance appropriation is included in the list of anticipated advance appropriations under section 201 of the Concurrent Resolution on the Budget for Fiscal Year 2002 (H. Con. Res. 83).

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Discretionary Spending in the Interior and Related Agencies Conference Report
(in millions of dollars)

	House Passed		Conference		Difference	
	BA	Outlays	BA	Outlays	BA	Outlays
Interior	9,368	8,838	9,392	8,884	24	46
Agriculture	3,913	3,618	4,130	3,816	217	198
Energy	1,914	1,691	1,848	1,656	-66	-35
Health and Human Services	2,760	2,694	2,759	2,694	-1	0
Other Independent Agencies	986	959	991	967	5	8

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