

Bill Summary
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Bill Analysis

SB 429 appropriates \$50 million from the Statewide Recovery Fund created in HB 3349 to the Oklahoma Water Resources Board to establish grant programs that facilitate the design, construction, and maintenance of water and wastewater infrastructure, and to improve the condition of publicly owned, deficient dams regulated by the Oklahoma Water Resources Board. Of the funds appropriated to the Board, \$25 million shall be provided to communities with a population less than 7,000 residents and \$20 million shall be provided to communities with more than 7,000 residents. The measure also provides that \$5 million of the appropriated funds shall be used to establish a grant program for communities that own dams with the latest condition assessment of poor or unsatisfactory, with priority given to communities with less than 7,000 residents. Additionally, the measure appropriates \$20 million from the Fund to match tribal investment in rural water infrastructure projects. Finally, the measure appropriates \$25 million to the Board to promote water conservation, encourage economic longevity, and ensure reliable food supply by converting portions of an open ditch irrigation system to pipe within the Lugert-Altus Irrigation District.

CCR Changes

The Conference Committee Report for SB 429 completely substitutes engrossed language with the language described above.

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