117TH CONGRESS 1ST SESSION

H. R. 3877

To amend the Reclamation Projects Authorization and Adjustment Act of 1992 to authorize additional projects related to the Salton Sea, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

June 14, 2021

Mr. Ruiz 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 "Salton Sea Projects
- 5 Improvements Act".
- 6 SEC. 2. RESEARCH PROJECT.
- 7 Section 1101 of the Reclamation Projects Authoriza-
- 8 tion and Adjustment Act of 1992 (Public Law 102-575;
- 9 106 Stat. 4661) is amended—

| 1 | (1) by redesignating subsections (b) through (d) |
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| 2 | as subsections (c) through (e), respectively; |
| 3 | (2) by inserting after subsection (a) the fol- |
| 4 | lowing new subsection: |
| 5 | "(b) Additional Project Authorities.— |
| 6 | "(1) In General.—The Secretary, acting |
| 7 | through the Bureau of Reclamation, may provide |
| 8 | grants and enter into contracts and cooperative |
| 9 | agreements to carry out projects located in the area |
| 10 | of the Salton Sea in Southern California to improve |
| 11 | air quality, fish and wildlife habitat, recreational op- |
| 12 | portunities, and water quality, in partnership with— |
| 13 | "(A) State, Tribal, and local governments; |
| 14 | "(B) water districts; |
| 15 | "(C) joint powers authorities, including the |
| 16 | Salton Sea Authority; |
| 17 | "(D) nonprofit organizations; and |
| 18 | "(E) institutions of higher education. |
| 19 | "(2) Included activities.—The projects de- |
| 20 | scribed in paragraph (1) may include— |
| 21 | "(A) construction, operation, maintenance, |
| 22 | permitting, and design activities required for |
| 23 | such projects; and |
| 24 | "(B) dust suppression projects."; and |

1 (3) in subsection (e), as so redesignated, by 2 striking "\$10,000,000" and inserting 3 "\$250,000,000".

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