

116TH CONGRESS  
1ST SESSION

# H. R. 2492

To establish a Federal cost share percentage for the Milk River Project  
in the State of Montana.

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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MAY 2, 2019

Mr. GIANFORTE introduced the following bill; which was referred to the  
Committee on Natural Resources

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## A BILL

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River Project in the State of Montana.

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 “St. Mary’s Reinvest-  
5 ment Act”.

6 **SEC. 2. COST SHARE FOR THE MILK RIVER PROJECT.**

7 (a) DEFINITION OF MILK RIVER PROJECT.—

8 (1) IN GENERAL.—In this Act, the term “Milk  
9 River Project” means the Bureau of Reclamation  
10 project authorized by the Secretary of the Interior

1 on March 14, 1903, under the Act of June 17, 1902  
2 (32 Stat. 388, chapter 1093), commencing at Lake  
3 Sherburne and providing water to a point approxi-  
4 mately 6 miles east of Nashua, Montana.

5 (2) INCLUSIONS.—The term “Milk River  
6 Project” includes—

7 (A) Swiftcurrent Dike;

8 (B) Lake Sherburne;

9 (C) Nelson and Fresno dams, dikes, and  
10 reservoirs;

11 (D) St. Mary, Dodson, Vandalia, and Par-  
12 adise Diversion dams;

13 (E) Dodson pumping plant; and

14 (F) associated siphons, canals, drops,  
15 laterals, and drains.

16 (b) COST SHARE.—The Federal share of the cost of  
17 the operation, maintenance, repair, and replacement of the  
18 Milk River Project shall be 75 percent, which shall not  
19 be reimbursable to the United States.

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