

EXECUTIVE AGENCY
FISCAL NOTE

AGENCY'S ESTIMATES

Date Prepared: March 28, 2015

Agency Submitting: State Department of Conservation and Natural Resources, Division of Water Resources

Items of Revenue or Expense, or Both	Fiscal Year 2014-15	Fiscal Year 2015-16	Fiscal Year 2016-17	Effect on Future Biennia
(Expense)		\$1,511	\$1,511	\$1,511
Total	0	\$1,511	\$1,511	\$1,511

Explanation

(Use Additional Sheets of Attachments, if required)

This fiscal note was prepared for BDR 48-708 (SB485). Expenses to the Division of Water Resources would be the annual publication cost of the required notice informing the public of the requirement to file all proofs prior to December 31, 2025. The annual publication cost for the minimum four newspapers publishing once a week for four consecutive weeks is estimated at \$50.00 per newspaper. The total cost would be \$200.00 per year. Publishing once a year from 2015 to 2025 would put the total cost at \$2,000.00. The estimate does not reflect any potential future increases in publication costs and does not include the cost for publication in additional newspapers beyond the minimum required by this bill. In addition, cost for the file folders necessary for the influx of claims is estimated at \$2,980.00 per 2,000 folders. There is no method to estimate the number of claims that may be filed; however, there are currently approximately 8,800 claims on file and we feel it is reasonable to assume the number of claims could double. On this basis, an additional 8,800 claims would result in an estimated file folder cost of \$13,112.00 over the 10-year time frame or \$1,311.20 per year. This cost does not reflect any inflationary costs of the folders. The cost to manage and review the incoming files is assumed to be handled by existing personnel; however, should unanticipated increase in filings occur or mass filings are submitted, most likely in the first or last fiscal year from 2015 to 2025, additional personnel consisting of an Engineering Technician IV at a 0.5 FTE may be required to assist with processing.

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DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATION'S COMMENTS

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The agency's response appears reasonable.

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