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HOUSE BILL 379

**44TH LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - SECOND SESSION,
2000**

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AN ACT

MAKING AN APPROPRIATION FOR WATER QUALITY AND WATER
CONSERVATION PROJECTS; REQUIRING APPLICANTS TO PROVIDE
MATCHING FUNDS.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO:

Section 1. APPROPRIATION--MATCH REQUIRED.--Five hundred
thousand dollars (\$500,000) is appropriated from the general
fund to the board of regents of New Mexico state university
for expenditure in fiscal years 2001 and 2002 for the New
Mexico department of agriculture to provide matching funds
for water quality and water conservation projects, including
watershed enhancement, in soil and water conservation
districts statewide. The soil and water conservation
commission shall approve applications for funding. At least
fifty percent of the cost of a project funded from this
appropriation shall be provided from sources other than the

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1 state. Only water quality or water conservation projects
2 that are based on approved conservation plans shall be
3 eligible for funding. Any unexpended or unencumbered balance
4 remaining at the end of fiscal year 2002 shall revert to the
5 general fund.