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FISCAL IMPACT REPORT

BILL NUMBER: Senate Bill 110

SHORT TITLE: Bosque Management Projects

SPONSOR: Stefanics, Sanchez, and Charley

LAST ORIGINAL
UPDATE: _____ **DATE:** 1/27/26 **ANALYST:** Davidson

APPROPRIATION* (dollars in thousands)

FY26	FY27	Recurring or Nonrecurring	Fund Affected
	\$15,000	Nonrecurring	General Fund

*Amounts reflect most recent analysis of this legislation.

Sources of Information

LFC Files

Agency or Agencies Providing Analysis
Office of the State Engineer

SUMMARY

Synopsis of Senate Bill 110

Senate Bill 110 (SB110) appropriates \$15 million from the general fund to the Office of the State Engineer (OSE) for the purpose of planning, implementing, and maintaining Bosque management projects in the middle Rio Grande valley.

This bill does not contain an effective date and, as a result, would go into effect 90 days after the Legislature adjourns, which is May 20, 2026.

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS

The appropriation of \$15 million contained in this bill is a nonrecurring expense to the general fund. Any unexpended or unencumbered balance remaining at the end of FY28 shall revert to the general fund.

SIGNIFICANT ISSUES

OSE states it currently does not existing staff for the work outlined in the appropriation bill. As a result, OSE notes it would need to contract the Bosque management projects out and/or partner

with existing entities in the area. OSE also notes the limited time frame for the appropriation, one fiscal year, could make implementation difficult.

The agency has received more than \$130 million in nonrecurring funding alone over the last three legislative sessions for water planning, litigation, settlement, modernization, and supply augmentation. Multiple of these projects maintain large unexpended balances, with the agency noting plans to fully implement these designated projects.

CONFLICT, DUPLICATION, COMPANIONSHIP, RELATIONSHIP

The Legislative Finance Committee's budget recommendation includes \$7 million for Bosque management projects, funding similar to the appropriation outlined in the bill.

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