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SB 1448: appropriation; on-farm irrigation efficiency fund Sponsor: Senator Dunn, LD 25 Committee on Natural Resources, Energy & Water

Overview

Appropriates \$10,000,000 from the state General Fund (GF) in fiscal year (FY) 2026 to the On-Farm Irrigation Efficiency Fund.

History

<u>Laws 2022</u>, <u>Chapter 332</u> established the On-Farm Irrigation Efficiency Pilot Program to provide grants and collect data for on-farm irrigation efficiency systems to reduce on-farm water use while minimizing or eliminating the use of flood irrigation or fallowing.

The Fund consists of legislative appropriations, grants from federal agencies and other approved monies and is administered by the University of Arizona Cooperative Extension. The Fund provides grants to farmers to buy and install approved water-efficient irrigation systems that replace flood irrigation and are proven to save at least 20% of water used.

A grant cannot exceed \$1,000,000 per applicant or \$1,500 per acre of irrigable land that is served by the on-farm irrigation efficiency system.

Provisions

- 1. Appropriates \$10,000,000 from the state GF in FY 2026 to the On-Farm Irrigation Efficiency Fund. (Sec. 1)
- 2. Exempts the appropriation from lapsing. (Sec. 1)

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