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Inventory for FOIA Request 1999-0551-F

Records on the Central Valley Project

Extent

33 folders

Access

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Provenance

Official records of George Bush's presidency and vice presidency are housed at the George Bush Presidential Library and administered by the National Archives and Records Administration (NARA) under the provisions of the Presidential Records Act (PRA).

Processed By

Staff Archivists, December 1999. Previously restricted materials are added as they are released.

Scope and Content

The materials in FOIA 1999-0551-F are a selective, not necessarily all inclusive, body of documents responsive to the topic of the FOIA. Researchers should consult the archivist about related materials.

FOIA 1999-0551-F concerns The Central Valley Project which provided twenty percent of water to California. The water originated in the Sacramento, San Joaquin, and Tulare Rivers and was primarily sold to Central Valley farmers in some twenty-nine counties. The issue came to the fore in the Bush Administration over H.R. 429, the Reclamation Projects Authorization and Adjustment Act, more

commonly known as the Water Reform Act. Title 34 of this act dealt specifically with the Central Valley Project and provided that surplus water could be diverted from agricultural use to meet the growing residential and industrial demands for water in California. The administration was heavily lobbied over H.R. 429 (as it affected seventeen Western states in addition to California) especially by large scale agricultural interests in California as well as by members of Congress whose interests were threatened or bolstered by the act. Environmental groups also lobbied the administration regarding the Central Valley Project and the Water Reform Act. After initially threatening a veto, President Bush signed a compromise bill in October 1992. This FOIA consists of letters, memoranda, and news clippings documenting primarily public concern over the Central Valley Project. A number of the letters are from agricultural interests. Memoranda document internal Administration decision-making regarding H.R. 429. News clippings provide information about editorial opinion concerning the Central Valley Project and H.R. 429.

System of Arrangement

Records that are responsive to this FOIA request were found in three collection areas—Bush Presidential Records: WHORM Alphabetical Files; Bush Presidential Records: WHORM Subject Files; and Bush Presidential Records: Staff and Office Files. As policy, WHORM Alphabetical Files and WHORM Subject Files are processed at the document level. Staff and Office Files are processed at the folder level, that is, individual documents are not selected and removed from a folder for processing. While this method maintains folder integrity, it frequently results in the incidental processing of documents that are not wholly responsive to the subject area.

The WHORM Subject File compiled by the White House Office of Records Management is comprised of a series of documents assigned a letter/number combination and filed in a subject category. A complete listing of the subject categories including a detailed description of each category is available in our research room and on our website at <http://bushlibrary.tamu.edu/research/find/whorm/whorm.html>.

Please note that a single asterisk "*" indicates that the category is entirely processed and open.

The following is a list of documents and folders processed in response to FOIA 1999-0551-F.

Bush Presidential Records: WHORM Alphabetical Files

Name

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Bush Presidential Records: WHORM Subject Files

Category	Case Number
FG001-06	Scanned: Case Number 357930
FG006-03*	Scanned: Case Number 026414
FG006-13*	Scanned: Case Number 022219
FG017*	Scanned: Case Number 257123CU
FG018	Scanned: Case Number 070853

FG018-11 Scanned: Case Number 009741

IV089* Scanned: Case Number 068052

LE002* Scanned: Case Numbers 355571, 356024, 358608

NR007* Scanned: Case Numbers 357361, 357390CU, 357435, 357503CU, 357893, 358296, 358300, 358303, 358305, 358424, 358427, 358428, 358431, 358435, 358436, 358444, 358446, 358450, 358454, 358455, 358456, 358508, 359105CU, 359137, 359640

Unscanned: Case Numbers 356782, 357223, 357759, 359553, 359777

NR007-01* Scanned: Case Numbers 354183, 356416, 356427, 356769, 356771, 358074,

Unscanned: Case Numbers 356092, 358780

PR012-02 Scanned: Case Number 311954

ST005* Scanned: Case Number 353809

Unscanned: Case Number 355686

UT004* Scanned: Case Numbers 117033, 357039

Unscanned: Case Numbers 086363, 088135, 116788, 117241

Bush Presidential Records: Staff and Office Files

Chief of Staff, White House

James A. Baker, III Files—Legislative Files
H.R. 429 [OA/ID 93003]

Counsels Office, White House

Gene C. Schaerr Files—Subject Files
Water Bill (H.R. 429) [OA/ID 45639]

Legislative Affairs, White House Office of

Joshua Bolten Files
Water Bill 1992 HR 429 [OA/ID 07251]

Miscellaneous Files

Central Valley Project [OA/ID 08637]

Policy Development, White House Office of

Teresa Gorman Files
Binder: Renewal of Water Service Contracts in the Friant Unit of the Central Valley
Project, California, 3/27/89 [OA/ID 07669]

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