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## AN ACT

To authorize the transfer of the Brown unit of the Fort Belknap Indian irrigation project on the Fort Belknap Indian Reservation, Montana, to the landowners within the unit.

Fort Belknap Indian irrigation project, Mont. Brown unit, transfer.

Condition.

Cancellation of charges.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled. That the Secretary of the Interior is authorized to convey all of the right, title, and interest of the United States in the facilities of the Brown unit of the Fort Belknap Indian irrigation project, located in township 28 north, ranges 23 and 24 east, Montana principal meridian, including, but not limited to, easements, rights-of-way, canals, laterals, drains, structures of all kinds, and water rights held for the benefit of the unit, to an organization or association having form and powers satisfactory to the Secretary which represents the owners of the lands served by the unit. As a condition to said conveyance, the grantee organization or association shall assume full and sole responsibility for the care, operation, and maintenance of the unit upon conveyance, and shall hold the United States free of all loss or liability for damages or injuries, direct or consequential, caused by the existence or operation of the unit or any of its features or structures, from and after the date of its conveyance.

Sec. 2. Upon conveyance of the Brown unit of the Fort Belknap Indian irrigation project as provided for in section 1 of this Act, the Secretary is authorized to cancel all accrued operation and maintenance charges and all construction charges with respect to the said unit.

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