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Requires the department of ecology and the administrative office of the courts to assess the need and demand for adjudications within the state. The department of ecology and the administrative office of the courts shall identify basins that are candidates for adjudications, recommend a priority for basin adjudications, and determine the scope of financial and human resources and court systems necessary to complete the recommended adjudications.

Requires the department of ecology and the administrative office of the courts to submit a joint report on this assessment to the joint task force created under this act by October 1, 2005.

Creates the joint task force on water rights dispute resolution.

Requires the joint task force to commence by July 1, 2005, and present a final report to the appropriate committees of the legislature by December 1, 2005. The joint task force shall include the report submitted by the department of ecology and the administrative office of the courts under this act in the final report.