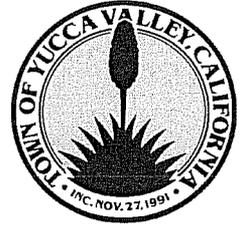


**NOTICE AND CALL OF  
SPECIAL MEETING**



NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN as provided by Government Code of the State of California Section 54956 that Mayor George Huntington called a Special Meeting of the Town Council of the Town of Yucca Valley, for Monday, December 7, 2015 at 5:30 p.m. at Yucca Valley Community Center, Yucca Room, 57090 Twentynine Palms Highway, Yucca Valley, California, for the below stated purpose.

**AGENDA**

**OPENING CEREMONIES**

**Welcome/Call to Order**

**DEPARTMENT REPORT**

1. Conservation Legislation Review

**A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF YUCCA VALLEY, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, IN SUPPORT OF THE CALIFORNIA MINERALS, OFF-ROAD RECREATION, AND CONSERVATION ACT**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN OF YUCCA VALLEY, STATE OF CALIFORNIA IN SUPPORTING WILDERNESS, WILD AND SCENIC RIVERS, NATIONAL MONUMENTS, NATIONAL PARK AND PRESERVE ADDITIONS IN THE CALIFORNIA DESERT**

**Recommendation:** It is recommended that the Town Council:

1. Consider a resolution of support for Congressman Cook's California Minerals, Off-Road Recreation and Conservation Act, introduced as H.R. 3668;
2. Consider a resolution of support for Senator Feinstein's California Desert Conservation and Recreation Act of 2015, introduced as S. 414;
3. Consider authorizing the Mayor to submit a letter on behalf of the Council to the President of the United States requesting that the legislative process be allowed to continue to provide the most representative path to long-term effective desert conservation.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

**COUNCIL COMMENTS**

**ADJOURNMENT**

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Lesley R. Copeland". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above a horizontal line.

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Lesley R. Copeland, CMC  
Town Clerk  
Town of Yucca Valley

**YUCCA VALLEY TOWN COUNCIL STAFF REPORT**

**From:** Honorable Mayor & Council  
Curtis Yakimow, Town Manager  
**Date:** November 24, 2015  
**For Council Meeting** November 30, 2015  
**Subject:** Conservation Legislation Review

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**Order of Procedure:**

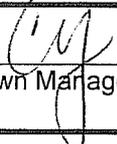
- Staff Report
- Public Comment
- Board Discussion
- Motion/Second
- Discussion on Motion
- Roll Call Vote

**Discussion:**

In February 2015, Senator Dianne Feinstein introduced S. 414, The California Desert Conservation and Recreation Act of 2015 (CDCRA). This legislation is intended to protect additional land and help manage California’s desert resources by balancing conservation, recreation and renewable energy development through the establishment of three new national monuments totaling more than one million acres.

On August 3, 2015, Senator Feinstein requested President Obama to use the Antiquities Act for desert preservation and designate three new national monuments: Mojave Trails, Sand to Snow and Castle Mountains. The Antiquities Act of 1906 gives the President of the United States the authority to, by presidential proclamation; create national monuments from public lands to

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Reviewed By:	 _____ Town Manager	_____ Town Attorney	_____ Finance	_____ Department
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<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Department Report	<input type="checkbox"/> Ordinance Action	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Resolution Action	<input type="checkbox"/> Public Hearing
<input type="checkbox"/> Consent	<input type="checkbox"/> Minute Action	<input type="checkbox"/> Receive and File	<input type="checkbox"/> Study Item

protect significant natural, cultural or scientific features. The Senator has indicated however, she prefers to address the protection of these areas legislatively.

On October 1, 2015, Congressman Cook introduced H.R. 3668, The California Minerals, Off-Road Recreation and Conservation Act (CMORCA). This legislation places over a million acres of existing scenic federal lands into conservation for future generations, while protecting recreational off-highway vehicle use and allowing important economic activity in the California desert.

### Considerations

The Town is committed to supporting effective and reasonable protection and management of the many resources within our beautiful desert. The Town is also committed to supporting a balanced approach to protecting the desert today and for future generations while addressing the economic and recreational needs of the Town and surrounding areas. The Town supports efforts that address these issues, which include off-highway vehicle recreation areas, mineral and mining sites, and pristine desert landscapes. Additionally, the Town believes that the lands should be managed effectively with the cooperation of the people who live in close proximity of the land, and with those who currently use the land. Finally, the Town supports the use of the legislative process as the preferred method for land conservation efforts, whereby legislation is drafted, introduced, discussed, reconciled, passed and signed into law to produce the most effective and supportive framework for such a significant land protection bill.

Both Senator Feinstein's and Congressman Cook's bills seek to protect and conserve the vast beauty, recreational opportunities and natural resources the Mojave Desert provides; however, the two bills offer differing approaches to some mining and recreation issues, as well as the assignment of certain land designations and management. In meeting with the staff of both offices, it was made clear that certain clean-up items remain, and can be affected through author amendments during the legislative process. Further, it will be necessary to conference both bills in a legislative committee so as to reconcile some of the more significant differences between the bills. An overview map of both the CDCRA and CMORCA and a detailed comparison of both bills are included as Attachments.

### **FISCAL IMPACT**

There is no fiscal impact related to this item.

### **ALTERNATIVES**

The Council may choose to provide alternative direction to staff.

## **ATTACHMENTS**

1. Resolution No. 15- supporting Congressman Cook's H.R. 3668
2. Resolution No. 15- supporting Senator Feinstein's S. 414
3. Letter to President
4. Bill Comparison Summary
5. H.R. 3668 Overview Map Cook
6. H.R. 3668 California Minerals, Off-Road Recreation and Conservation Act
7. S. 414 Overview Map Feinstein
8. S. 414 California Desert Conservation and Recreation Act of 2015

## Attachment 1

Resolution in Support of H.R. 3668

## RESOLUTION 15-

### **A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF YUCCA VALLEY, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, IN SUPPORT OF THE CALIFORNIA MINERALS, OFF-ROAD RECREATION, AND CONSERVATION ACT, H.R. 3668**

WHEREAS, the California Desert Conservation Area is worth protecting with a balanced approach that reaffirms our commitment to protecting and managing the resources of our beautiful deserts, mountains, and forests; and

WHEREAS, the California Minerals, Off-Road Recreation, and Conservation Act advances our priority of protecting the landscapes today and for decades to come while taking care of the economic and recreational needs of our community and constituents; and

WHEREAS, this proposal addresses the needs of our off-highway vehicle recreation areas by designating six national OHV recreation areas and protecting over 300,000 acres in San Bernardino County, making this the largest expansion of federally-recognized OHV areas in American history; and

WHEREAS, this proposal protects mineral exploration and mining in the Mojave Trails Special Management Area providing jobs and prosperity for Californians residing in the desert; and

WHEREAS, our pristine desert, mountains, and forests will be protected for ourselves and future generations to enjoy; and

WHEREAS, whether it is the stunning petroglyphs of Black Lava Butte and Flat Top Mesa, the amazing biodiversity of the San Bernardino Mountains and Desert in Sand to Snow Monument, or the stark beauty of the Mojave desert wilderness, our landscapes are worthy of protection; and

WHEREAS, we firmly believe that when our lands are not managed effectively, we waste taxpayer money instead of producing tangible benefits; and

WHEREAS, Congressman Paul Cook introduced The California Minerals, Off-road Recreation, and Conservation Act, as a balanced approach to conserving our national treasures with the guiding principle that public land use must be local control; and

WHEREAS, although differences exist between legislation introduced by Congressman Paul Cook and Senator Diane Feinstein, common intent exists and resolve through the legislative process is achievable; and

WHEREAS, this legislation will protect the local economy as well our national treasures;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Yucca Valley Town Council endorses and supports the California Minerals, Off-road Recreation, and Conservation Act H.R. 3668.

AND FURTHERMORE the Town Clerk of the Town of Yucca Valley will forward a copy of this signed resolution to the Office of Congressman Paul Cook and the Office of Senator Diane Feinstein, who represent the Town in Congress.

PASSED AND ADOPTED at a meeting of the Town Council of the Town of Yucca Valley held on December 7, 2015.

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Mayor

ATTEST:

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Town Clerk

## Attachment 2

Resolution in Support of S. 414

## RESOLUTION 15-

### A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN OF YUCCA VALLEY, STATE OF CALIFORNIA IN SUPPORTING WILDERNESS, WILD AND SCENIC RIVERS, NATIONAL MONUMENTS, NATIONAL PARK AND PRESERVE ADDITIONS IN THE CALIFORNIA DESERT S. 414

WHEREAS, Senator Dianne Feinstein has introduced the California Desert Conservation and Recreation Act 2015 (S.414) to ensure that certain unique, undeveloped, ecologically and geologically significant, culturally important, and scenic areas of public land within the California Desert Conservation Area are preserved as wilderness, wild and scenic rivers, national monuments, and National Park and Preserve additions; and

WHEREAS, Joshua Tree National Park, Death Valley National Park, Mojave National Preserve and BLM administered wilderness and natural areas in the California desert are an important component of our community's and region's historic, cultural, economic, and social identity, and generate substantial economic benefit for surrounding area businesses through local employment, tax revenues, and visitor spending on meals, lodging, and supplies; and

WHEREAS, national monuments, national parks, wilderness, wild and scenic rivers, and off-highway vehicle areas have been shown to increase tourism and attract new residents, thereby generating substantial economic benefits for nearby communities through local employment and tax revenue; and

WHEREAS, the proposed designation will contribute to our region's superior desert and mountain vistas, air quality, water quality, peaceful soundscapes, and dark night skies; and

WHEREAS, protected public lands will provide local residents and visitors with opportunities for many recreational activities including hiking, horseback riding, rock climbing, photography, camping, off-roading, wildlife viewing, scientific research, and nature study; and

WHEREAS, protecting wild places and national park lands would ensure that future generations can enjoy them tomorrow as we do today; and

WHEREAS, preserving these areas would protect landscapes that encompass steep mountains, winding canyons, free flowing rivers, and rugged desert landscapes, including the proposed Sand to Snow and Mojave Trails national monuments; the proposed Golden Valley, Kingston Range, Indian Pass, Palo Verde wilderness additions; the Great Falls Basin, Avawatz Mountains, Soda Mountains, Buzzards Peak, Milpitas Wash wilderness areas; additions to Joshua Tree National Park; the Castle Mountains addition to the Mojave National Preserve; wilderness additions to Death Valley National Park; the Amargosa, Deep and Holcomb Creek, Whitewater, and Surprise Canyon wild and scenic rivers; the Flat Top Mesa and Black Buttes Area of Critical Environmental Concern; and the Alabama Hills National Scenic Area.

WHEREAS, although differences exist between legislation introduced by Senator Diane Feinstein and Congressman Paul Cook, common intent exists and resolve through the legislative process is achievable; and

WHEREAS, this legislation will protect the local economy as well our national treasures;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Yucca Valley Town Council endorses and supports the California Desert Conservation and Recreation Act 2015, S. 414.

AND FURTHERMORE the Town Clerk of the Town of Yucca Valley will forward a copy of this signed resolution to the Office of Senator Dianne Feinstein and the Office of Congressman Paul Cook, who represent the Town in Congress.

PASSED AND ADOPTED at a meeting of the Town Council of the Town of Yucca Valley held on December 7, 2015.

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Mayor

ATTEST:

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Town Clerk

## Attachment 3

Letter to President

December 1, 2015

DRAFT

President Barack Obama  
1600 Pennsylvania Ave.  
Washington, D.C. 20500

**Re: Antiquities Act Monument Designations**

Dear President Obama,

Senator Dianne Feinstein recently submitted a letter to your office requesting the use of your authority granted under the Antiquities Act of 1906 to designate three national monuments in the California desert: the Castle Mountains National Monument, the Mojave Trails National Monument, and the Sand to Snow National Monument. In her letter, Senator Feinstein also identified three additional areas for consideration as national monuments: Black Lave Butte and Flat Top Mesa, Cadiz Valley, and the Sacramento Mountains. It is our strong preference that any national monument designations go through the legislative process, which will allow the best chance for local consensus and allow the greatest amount of public input.

Earlier this year, Senator Feinstein introduced S. 414, *The California Desert Conservation and Recreation Act (CDCRA)*. Additionally, in the fall of this year, Congressman Paul Cook introduced H.R. 3668, *The California Minerals, Off-Road Recreation and Conservation Act (CMORCA)*. Both of these bill attempt to balance conservation needs, recreational uses (including hunting, fishing, and off-highway vehicle use), and protections for existing economic activities. While they are not yet perfect, we were hopeful that as they moved through the legislative process, they would be improved with additional protections for valuable local economic activities such as mining and increased safeguards for access and road maintenance. In particular, these bills include explicit provisions regarding the management of the proposed monuments. Our concern is that these same provisions might not be present in any monuments designated under the Antiquities Act.

One of the overarching principles of federal resource conservation is that public lands should be managed in a way that promotes multiple uses. A balance between recreation, conservation, and development can be achieved if the legislative process is respected. Antiquities Act designations cannot create the Off-Highway Vehicle Recreation Areas and trails specified in the bills, nor can they guarantee protections for needed economic activities.

The greatest effects of monument designations will be felt locally, so it is imperative that our residents be allowed to participate and have their voices heard. For these reasons, we respectfully urge you not to circumvent the legislative process, and to ensure that any designations have robust local support.

On behalf of the entire Yucca Valley Town Council,

George Huntington  
Mayor, Town of Yucca Valley

## Attachment 4

### Bill Comparison Summary

## Conservation Acts Comparison

Bill Title	<b>FEINSTEIN BILL</b> <b>California Desert Conservation and Recreation Act</b>	<b>COOK BILL</b> <b>California Minerals, Off-road Recreation and Conservation Act</b>
Mojave Trails	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-Designates 965,000 acres of Mojave Trails as a National Monument.</li> <li>-The monument would be closed to renewable energy development.</li> <li>-Permits the construction of transmission lines to facilitate the development of renewable energy in adjacent sites.</li> <li>-Provides solar energy companies with potential projects currently proposed inside the monument boundaries to relocate to federal solar energy zones being developed by the Department of the Interior.</li> <li>-No new mining would be allowed, although existing operations could continue.</li> <li>-Off-Highway Vehicles would continue to be allowed on designated routes and trails, although the routes and trails are not explicitly denoted in the bill or on the map.</li> <li>-Establishes an advisory committee to develop the management plan comprised of representatives from local, state and federal government, conservation and recreation groups, and local Native American tribes.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-Designates 965,000 acres of Mojave Trails as a Special Management Area (SMA).</li> <li>-The SMA would be closed to renewable energy development.</li> <li>-Permits the construction of transmission lines to facilitate the development of renewable energy in adjacent sites.</li> <li>-Provides solar energy companies with potential projects currently proposed inside the monument boundaries to relocate to federal solar energy zones being developed by the Department of the Interior.</li> <li>-New mining would be allowed, although permitted mining could never exceed 10% of the total acreage of the Special Management Area. Land donated to the federal government for conservation purposes since 1995 would also be protected.</li> <li>-Existing mining would also be protected and allowed to continue.</li> <li>-It would explicitly designate over 1,200 miles of roads and trails for Off-Highway Vehicle use.</li> <li>-Includes "no-net loss" language for trails and roads to prevent closures.</li> <li>-It would include language consolidating the environmental reviews for the trestle bridges on Route 66.</li> <li>-The management of the Mojave Trails SMA would be modeled on the management for Vinagre Wash SMA.</li> </ul>

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<p>Sand to Snow National Monument</p>	<p>-Sand to Snow National Monument (Approximately 141,000 acres) would be established.</p> <p>-It would include private land north of Highway 62 where a gun club is located.</p> <p>-It includes a parcel of land owned by the city of Banning in its wilderness area.</p>	<p>-Sand to Snow National Monument (Approximately 140,000 acres) would be established.</p> <p>-It would exclude private land north of Highway 62 where the gun club is located.</p> <p>-It would also exclude the parcel owned by the city of Banning.</p> <p>-It would include language preventing the Monument designation from interfering with the construction of a radio tower in the Morongo Gorge (although the project would still have to comply with existing law).</p> <p>-It would provide for land swaps that would ensure access to private inholdings.</p>
<p>Wilderness</p>	<p><b>Six new BLM wilderness areas would be designated (250,380 acres):</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-Awawatz Mountains (87,700 acres)</li> <li>-Golden Valley (7,690 acres)</li> <li>-Kingston Range (53,320 acres)</li> <li>-Soda Mountains (79,900 acres)</li> <li>-Grass Valley (13,890 acres)</li> <li>-Great Falls Basin (7,870 acres)</li> </ul> <p><b>Six new wilderness areas within Death Valley National Park would be designated:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-North Eureka Valley (11,496 acres)</li> <li>-Ibex (23,650 acres)</li> <li>-Panamint Valley (4,807 acres)</li> <li>-Warm Springs (10,485 acres)</li> <li>-Axe Head (8,638 acres)</li> <li>-Bowling Alley (32,520 acres)</li> </ul> <p><b>One wilderness area is expanded in the San Bernardino National Forest (7,100 acres).</b></p>	<p><b>Six new BLM wilderness areas would be designated (249,090 acres):</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-Awawatz Mountains (91,800 acres)</li> <li>-Golden Valley (1,260 acres)</li> <li>-Kingston Range (53,320 acres)</li> <li>-Soda Mountains (79,980 acres)</li> <li>-Malpais Mesa (14,810 acres)</li> <li>-Great Falls Basin (7,920 acres)</li> </ul> <p><b>Six new wilderness areas within Death Valley National Park would be designated:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-North Eureka Valley (11,496 acres)</li> <li>-Ibex (23,650 acres)</li> <li>-Panamint Valley (4,807 acres)</li> <li>-Warm Springs (10,485 acres)</li> <li>-Axe Head (8,638 acres)</li> <li>-Bowling Alley (28,923 acres)</li> </ul> <p><b>One wilderness is expanded in the San Bernardino National Forest (5,570 Acres).</b></p>

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<p>Wilderness Study Area Release</p>	<p><b>Approximately 120,000 Acres of Wilderness Study Area would be released across 6 areas:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-Cady Mountains</li> <li>-Kingston Range</li> <li>-Avawatz Mountain</li> <li>-Death Valley 17</li> <li>-Great Falls Basin</li> <li>-Soda Mountains</li> </ul>	<p><b>Approximately 154,000 Acres of Wilderness Study Area would be released across 12 areas:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-Cady Mountains</li> <li>-Kingston Range</li> <li>-Avawatz Mountain</li> <li>-Soda Mountains</li> <li>-Great Falls Basin</li> <li>-Death Valley 17</li> <li>-White Mountains</li> <li>-Crater</li> <li>-Symmes Creek</li> <li>-Independence</li> <li>-Southern Inyo</li> <li>-Cerro Gordo</li> </ul>
<p>Off-Highway Vehicles</p>	<p>Feinstein’s bill would designate 5 Off-Highway Vehicle Recreation Areas:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-Spangler Hills</li> <li>-El Mirage</li> <li>-Stoddard Valley</li> <li>-Rasor</li> <li>-Dumont Dunes</li> </ul> <p>Two of these areas would have study areas for expansion:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-El Mirage (680 acres)</li> <li>-Spangler Hills (41,000 acres)</li> </ul> <p>Johnson Valley would be studied for expansion, but no specific area would be designated.</p>	<p>Cook’s bill would designate 6 <b>National</b> Off-Highway Vehicle Recreation Areas:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-Spangler Hills</li> <li>-El Mirage</li> <li>-Stoddard Valley</li> <li>-Rasor</li> <li>-Dumont Dunes</li> <li>-Johnson Valley</li> </ul> <p>Three of these areas would be expanded:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-El Mirage (680 acres)</li> <li>-Spangler Hills (41,000 acres)</li> <li>-Johnson Valley (19,393 acres)</li> </ul>
<p>Castle Mountain Mine</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-Adds 21,000 acres of the “Castle Mountain” area immediately to the Mojave National Preserve.</li> <li>-Adds the remaining 8,000 acres to the Mojave National Preserve after the completion of all mining as certified by the Secretary of the Interior or if the mine has not become operational within 10 years.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-Adds approximately 12,000 acres of the “Castle Mountain” area to the Mojave National Preserve immediately.</li> <li>-The remainder of the “Castle Mountain” area would be added after the completion of mining as certified by the Secretary of the Interior or if the mine has not become operational within 20 years.</li> </ul>
<p>Joshua Tree National Park</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-Adds approximately 4,500 acres to Joshua Tree National Park</li> <li>-Allows the park to acquire the Visitor Center in Joshua Tree.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-Adds approximately 4,500 acres to Joshua Tree National Park</li> <li>-Allows the park to acquire the visitor center in Joshua Tree.</li> </ul>

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	-Approximately 1,600 acres out of that would be Mojave Desert Land Trust Land donated to the park (Private lands becoming public).	-The BLM would be required to sell off approximately 1,600 acres of land before it could acquire the approximately 1,600 acres of Mojave Desert Land Trust Land or the visitor center. -This would prevent any net increase in Federal Land ownership.
Death Valley National Park	-Adds approximately 39,000 acres to Death Valley National Park.	-Adds approximately 35,000 acres to Death Valley National Park.
Wild, Scenic, and Recreational Rivers	Designates 5 Wild, Scenic, and Recreational Rivers: -Deep Creek -Holcomb Creek -Whitewater -Amargosa -Surprise Canyon	Designates 5 Wild, Scenic, and Recreational Rivers: -Deep Creek -Holcomb Creek -Whitewater -Amargosa -Surprise Canyon -Includes language requested by Inyo County ensuring continued access to the Chris Wicht Camp near Surprise Canyon.
Black Lava Butte/Flat Top Mesa	-Designates Black Lava Butte and Flat Top Mesa as an Area of Critical Environmental Concern.	-Designates Black Lava Butte and Flat Top Mesa as an Area of Critical Environmental Concern.
Vinagre Wash Special Management Area	-Designates the Vinagre Wash Special Management Area in Imperial County.	-Designates the Vinagre Wash Special Management Area in Imperial County. -Includes "no-net loss" language.
Land Conveyances/Transfers	-Transfers 3,500 acres to Imperial County for the Holtville Airport and 934 acres to California as part of the Anza Forest.	-Transfers 3,500 acres to Imperial County for the Holtville Airport -Transfers 934 acres to California as part of the Anza-Borrego Forest. -Transfers 4,600 acres to the City of Apple Valley for an OHV Park. -Transfers 11,000 acres to Imperial County for an OHV Park. -Transfers approximately 80 acres to the City of Twentynine Palms.
Native Groundwater Supplies	-Prohibits the Department of the Interior from processing rights-of-way applications for nearby projects that are likely to use	-No language.

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	more groundwater than is naturally restored to the local aquifer each year.	
Juniper Flats	-No Language	-Prohibits renewable energy development on approximately 28,000 acres of land at Juniper Flats.
Renewable Energy Permits	-Includes a title expediting renewable energy permitting procedures nationwide and establish a revenue sharing formula.	-No language.
Wildlife Management (Guzzlers)	-No language.	-Includes language to facilitate the installation of guzzlers for Bighorn Sheep.
Limitation on Antiquities Act	-No language.	-Includes language that would prevent the President from designating any national monuments on any land included in an OHV area, future park expansion, or special management area.
Prohibited Uses of Donated and Acquired Land	-Prohibits the use of donated or acquired land for development, mining, off-highway vehicle use, grazing, military training, or other surface disturbing activities within the California Desert Conservation Area. -Allows limited exceptions in cases where it is deemed in the public interest and comparable lands are purchased/donated as mitigation. -Authorizes the Secretary of the Interior to accept easements/deed restrictions on donated lands within the California Desert Conservation Area in the future.	-Authorizes the Secretary of the Interior to accept easements/deed restrictions on donated lands within the California Desert Conservation Area in the future. -The Mojave Trails SMA language includes a prohibition on mining on any lands donated for conservation purposes since 1995.
Tribal Uses and Interests	-Requires the Secretary to ensure access for tribal cultural activities within national parks, monuments, wilderness, and others designated within the bill. -Requires the Secretary to develop a cultural resources	-Requires the Secretary to ensure access for tribal cultural activities within national parks, monuments, wilderness, and others designated within the bill. -Requires the Secretary to develop a cultural resources

	management plan to protect a sacred tribal trail along the Colorado River between southern Nevada and the California-Baja border.	management plan to protect a sacred tribal trail along the Colorado River between southern Nevada and the California-Baja border.
Military Training Activities	-Ensures the right of the Department of Defense to conduct low-level overflights over wilderness, national parks, and national monuments.	-Ensures the right of the Department of Defense to conduct low-level overflights over wilderness, national parks, and national monuments.
Climate Change and Wildlife Corridors	-Requires the Department of the Interior to study the impact of climate change on California desert species migration, incorporate their results and recommendations into land use management plans, and consider the study's findings when making decisions granting rights of way for projects on public lands.	-No language
California State School Land	-Requires the Department of Interior to work with the state to complete the exchange of approximately 370,000 acres of state school lands located in the California desert over the next 10 years.	-Requires the Department of Interior to work with the state to complete the exchange of approximately 370,000 acres of state school lands located in the California desert over the next 10 years.
Alabama Hills National Scenic Area	-Designates 18,610 acres of BLM land as the Alabama Hills National Scenic Area. -Takes 132 acres of land into trust for the Long Pine Paiute-Shoshone reservation.	-Cook has this as a separate bill- HR 496.

## Attachment 5

H.R. 3668 Overview Map



Attachment 6

H.R. 3668 Text

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(Original Signature of Member)

114TH CONGRESS  
1ST SESSION

**H. R.**

To codify in law and expand certain off-highway vehicle recreation areas in the State of California, to designate as wilderness certain public lands in the State of California administered by the Bureau of Land Management, to expand the Death Valley National Park Wilderness and the San Gorgonio Wilderness in San Bernardino National Forest, to ensure the conservation and necessary management of wildlife in these wilderness areas, to establish the Mojave Trails Special Management Area in the State, and for other purposes

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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Mr. COOK introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee  
on \_\_\_\_\_

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**A BILL**

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*  
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE; TABLE OF CONTENTS.**

4 (a) SHORT TITLE.—This Act may be cited as the  
5 “California Minerals, Off-Road Recreation, and Conserva-  
6 tion Act”.

7 (b) TABLE OF CONTENTS.—The table of contents for  
8 this Act is as follows:

Sec. 1. Short title; table of contents.

**TITLE I—OFF-HIGHWAY VEHICLE RECREATION AREAS**

- Sec. 101. Purpose.
- Sec. 102. Statutory designation and expansion of off-highway vehicle recreation areas, San Bernardino County, California.
- Sec. 103. Administration.
- Sec. 104. Southern California Edison Company energy transport facilities and rights-of-way.
- Sec. 105. Pacific Gas and Electric Company utility facilities and rights-of-way.

**TITLE II—WILDERNESS**

- Sec. 201. Purpose.
- Sec. 202. Designation or expansion of wilderness areas in the State of California.
- Sec. 203. Management.
- Sec. 204. Release of wilderness study areas.
- Sec. 205. Treatment of cherry-stemmed roads.

**TITLE III—NATIONAL PARK SYSTEM ADDITIONS**

- Sec. 301. Death Valley National Park boundary revision.
- Sec. 302. Joshua Tree National Park boundary revision, visitor center, and sale of Federal land.
- Sec. 303. Mojave National Preserve boundary revision and related provisions.

**TITLE IV—DESIGNATION OF WILD, SCENIC, AND RECREATIONAL RIVERS**

- Sec. 401. Designation of wild, scenic, and recreational rivers.

**TITLE V—BLACK LAVA BUTTE AND FLAT TOP MESA**

- Sec. 501. Black Lava Butte and Flat Top Mesa Area of Critical Environmental Concern.

**TITLE VI—MOJAVE TRAILS SPECIAL MANAGEMENT AREA**

- Sec. 601. Definitions.

- Sec. 602. Mojave trails special management area.
- Sec. 603. Management.
- Sec. 604. Acquisition of land.
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1 **TITLE I—OFF-HIGHWAY VEHICLE**  
 2 **RECREATION AREAS**

3 **SEC. 101. PURPOSE.**

4 The purpose of this title is to designate in law certain  
 5 off-highway vehicle recreation areas currently designated  
 6 administratively by the Secretary of the Interior as Na-  
 7 tional Off-Highway Vehicle Recreation Areas in order to  
 8 preserve and enhance the recreational opportunities within

1 the California Desert Conservation Area, including oppor-  
2 tunities for off-highway vehicle recreation, while con-  
3 serving the wildlife and other natural resources of the  
4 Conservation Area.

5 **SEC. 102. STATUTORY DESIGNATION AND EXPANSION OF**  
6 **OFF-HIGHWAY VEHICLE RECREATION AREAS,**  
7 **SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY, CALIFORNIA.**

8 (a) STATUTORY DESIGNATION.—In accordance with  
9 the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976  
10 (43 U.S.C. 1701 et seq.) and resource management plans  
11 developed under this title, and subject to valid rights, the  
12 following public lands within the California Desert Con-  
13 servation Area in San Bernardino County, California, are  
14 designated as National Off-Highway Vehicle Recreation  
15 Areas:

16 (1) DUMONT DUNES OFF-HIGHWAY VEHICLE  
17 RECREATION AREA.—Certain public lands com-  
18 prising approximately 7,630 acres, as generally de-  
19 picted on the map entitled “Dumont Dunes Pro-  
20 posed National OHV Recreation Area” and dated  
21 June 29, 2015, which corresponds to the boundaries  
22 of an administratively designated off-highway vehicle  
23 recreation area and shall be known as the Dumont  
24 Dunes National Off-Highway Vehicle Recreation  
25 Area.

1           (2) EL MIRAGE OFF-HIGHWAY VEHICLE RECRE-  
2           ATION AREA.—Certain public lands comprising ap-  
3           proximately 15,610 acres, as generally depicted on  
4           the map entitled “El Mirage Proposed National  
5           OHV Recreation Area” and dated January 8, 2015,  
6           which expands the boundaries of an administratively  
7           designated off-highway vehicle recreation area and  
8           shall be known as the El Mirage National Off-High-  
9           way Vehicle Recreation Area.

10          (3) RASOR OFF-HIGHWAY VEHICLE RECRE-  
11          ATION AREA.—Certain public lands comprising ap-  
12          proximately 23,910 acres, as generally depicted on  
13          the map entitled “Rasor Proposed National OHV  
14          Recreation Area” and dated February 15, 2015,  
15          which corresponds to the boundaries of an adminis-  
16          tratively designated off-highway vehicle recreation  
17          area and shall be known as the Rasor National Off-  
18          Highway Vehicle Recreation Area.

19          (4) SPANGLER HILLS OFF-HIGHWAY VEHICLE  
20          RECREATION AREA.—Certain public lands com-  
21          prising approximately 93,610 acres, as generally de-  
22          picted on the map entitled “Spangler Hills Proposed  
23          National OHV Recreation Area” and dated May 27,  
24          2015, which expands the boundaries of an adminis-  
25          tratively designated off-highway vehicle recreation

1 area and shall be known as the Spangler Hills Na-  
2 tional Off-Highway Vehicle Recreation Area.

3 (5) STODDARD VALLEY OFF-HIGHWAY VEHICLE  
4 RECREATION AREA.—Certain public lands com-  
5 prising approximately 40,110 acres, as generally de-  
6 picted on the map entitled “Stoddard Valley Pro-  
7 posed National OHV Recreation Area” and dated  
8 February 18, 2015, which corresponds to the bound-  
9 aries of an administratively designated off-highway  
10 vehicle recreation area and shall be known as the  
11 Stoddard Valley National Off-Highway Vehicle  
12 Recreation Area.

13 (b) REDESIGNATION AND EXPANSION OF JOHNSON  
14 VALLEY OFF-HIGHWAY VEHICLE RECREATION AREA.—

15 (1) IN GENERAL.—The Johnson Valley Off-  
16 Highway Vehicle Recreation Area designated by sec-  
17 tion 2945 of the Military Construction Authorization  
18 Act for Fiscal Year 2014 (division B of Public Law  
19 113–66; 127 Stat. 1038)—

20 (A) is hereby redesignated as the Johnson  
21 Valley National Off-Highway Vehicle Recreation  
22 Area; and

23 (B) is expanded to include all of the land  
24 depicted as the “Proposed National Off High-  
25 way Vehicle Recreation Area Additions” on the

1 map entitled “Johnson Valley Proposed Na-  
2 tional OHV Recreation Area” and dated April  
3 23, 2015.

4 (2) CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.—

5 (A) DESIGNATION.—Section 2945 of the  
6 Military Construction Authorization Act for  
7 Fiscal Year 2014 (division B of Public Law  
8 113–66; 127 Stat. 1038) is amended—

9 (i) in the section heading, by inserting  
10 “**NATIONAL**” after “**VALLEY**”;

11 (ii) in subsection (a), by inserting  
12 “National” after “Valley” in the matter  
13 preceding paragraph (1); and

14 (iii) in subsections (b), (c), and (d),  
15 by inserting “National” after “Valley”  
16 each place it appears.

17 (B) CROSS REFERENCE.—Section  
18 2942(c)(3) of the Military Construction Author-  
19 ization Act for Fiscal Year 2014 (division B of  
20 Public Law 113–66; 127 Stat. 1037) is amend-  
21 ed by inserting “National” after “Valley”.

22 (3) RELATION TO AUTHORIZED NAVY USE.—  
23 The redesignation of the Johnson Valley Off-High-  
24 way Vehicle Recreation Area as the Johnson Valley  
25 National Off-Highway Vehicle Recreation Area does

1 not alter or interfere with the rights and obligations  
2 of the Navy regarding the use of portions of the  
3 Recreation Area as provided in subtitle C of title  
4 XXIX of the Military Construction Authorization  
5 Act for Fiscal Year 2014 (division B of Public Law  
6 113–66; 127 Stat. 1034).

7 (4) REFERENCES.—Any reference in any law,  
8 regulation, document, record, map, or other paper of  
9 the United States to the Johnson Valley Off-High-  
10 way Vehicle Recreation Area is deemed to be a ref-  
11 erence to the Johnson Valley National Off-Highway  
12 Vehicle Recreation Area.

13 (c) MAPS AND DESCRIPTIONS.—

14 (1) PREPARATION AND SUBMISSION.—As soon  
15 as practicable after the date of enactment of this  
16 Act, the Secretary of the Interior shall file a map  
17 and legal description of the National Off-Highway  
18 Vehicle Recreation Areas designated by subsection  
19 (a) and (b) with—

20 (A) the Committee on Natural Resources  
21 of the House of Representatives; and

22 (B) the Committee on Energy and Natural  
23 Resources of the Senate.

24 (2) LEGAL EFFECT.—The map and legal de-  
25 scriptions of the National Off-Highway Vehicle

1 Recreation Areas filed under paragraph (1) shall  
2 have the same force and effect as if included in this  
3 Act, except that the Secretary may correct errors in  
4 the map and legal descriptions.

5 (3) PUBLIC AVAILABILITY.—Each map and  
6 legal description filed under paragraph (1) shall be  
7 filed and made available for public inspection in the  
8 appropriate offices of the Bureau of Land Manage-  
9 ment.

10 **SEC. 103. ADMINISTRATION.**

11 (a) APPLICABLE LAWS.—The Secretary of the Inte-  
12 rior shall administer the National Off-Highway Vehicle  
13 Recreation Areas designated by subsections (a) and (b)  
14 of section 102 in accordance with—

15 (1) this title;

16 (2) the Federal Land Policy and Management  
17 Act of 1976 (43 U.S.C. 1701 et seq.); and

18 (3) any other applicable laws (including regula-  
19 tions).

20 (b) MANAGEMENT PLAN.—

21 (1) IN GENERAL.—As soon as practicable, but  
22 not later than three years after the date of enact-  
23 ment of this Act , the Secretary of the Interior  
24 shall—

1 (A) amend existing resource management  
2 plans applicable to the land designated as a Na-  
3 tional Off-Highway Vehicle Recreation Areas  
4 under subsection (a) or (b) of section 102; or

5 (B) develop new management plans for  
6 such National Off-Highway Vehicle Recreation  
7 Areas.

8 (2) REQUIREMENTS.—All new or amended  
9 plans under paragraph (1) shall be designed to pre-  
10 serve and enhance safe off-highway vehicle and other  
11 recreational opportunities within the applicable Na-  
12 tional Off-Highway Vehicle Recreation Area con-  
13 sistent with—

14 (A) the purpose of this title; and

15 (B) any applicable laws (including regula-  
16 tions).

17 (3) INTERIM PLANS.—Pending completion of a  
18 new management plan under subsection (b)(2), the  
19 existing resource management plans shall govern the  
20 use of the applicable National Off-Highway Vehicle  
21 Recreation Area.

22 (c) USE OF THE LAND.—

23 (1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of the Inte-  
24 rior shall continue to authorize, maintain, and en-  
25 hance the recreational uses of the National Off-

1 Highway Vehicle Recreation Areas designated by  
2 subsections (a) and (b) of section 102, including off-  
3 highway recreation, hiking, camping, hunting, moun-  
4 tain biking, sightseeing, rockhounding, and horse-  
5 back riding, as long as the recreational use is con-  
6 sistent with this title and any other applicable law.

7 (2) OFF-HIGHWAY VEHICLE AND OFF-HIGHWAY  
8 RECREATION.—To the extent consistent with appli-  
9 cable Federal law (including regulations) and this  
10 title, any authorized recreation activities and use  
11 designations in effect on the date of enactment of  
12 this Act and applicable to the National Off-Highway  
13 Vehicle Recreation Areas designated by subsections  
14 (a) and (b) of section 102 shall continue, including  
15 casual off-highway vehicular use, racing, competitive  
16 events, rock crawling, training, and other forms of  
17 off-highway recreation.

18 (3) WILDLIFE GUZZLERS.—Wildlife guzzlers  
19 shall be allowed in the National Off-Highway Vehicle  
20 Recreation Areas designated by subsections (a) and  
21 (b) of section 102 in accordance with—

22 (A) applicable Bureau of Land Manage-  
23 ment guidelines; and

24 (B) the laws of the State of California.

25 (4) PROHIBITED USES.—

1 (A) IN GENERAL.—Commercial develop-  
2 ment (including development of energy facili-  
3 ties, but excluding energy transport facilities,  
4 rights-of-way, and related telecommunication  
5 facilities) shall be prohibited in the National  
6 Off-Highway Vehicle Recreation Areas des-  
7 ignated by subsections (a) and (b) of section  
8 102 if the Secretary determines that the devel-  
9 opment is incompatible with the purpose of this  
10 title.

11 (B) EXCEPTION FOR TEMPORARY PER-  
12 MITTED VENDORS.—Subparagraph (A) does not  
13 prohibit a commercial vendor from establishing,  
14 pursuant to a temporary permit, a site in the  
15 National Off-Highway Vehicle Recreation Areas  
16 for the purpose of providing accessories and  
17 other support for off-highway vehicles and vehi-  
18 cles used for accessing the area.

19 **SEC. 104. SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA EDISON COMPANY EN-**  
20 **ERGY TRANSPORT FACILITIES AND RIGHTS-**  
21 **OF-WAY.**

22 (a) EFFECT OF TITLE.—Nothing in this title—

23 (1) terminates—

24 (A) any right-of-way issued, granted, or  
25 permitted to Southern California Edison Com-

1           pany (including any predecessor or successor in  
2           interest or assign) as of the date of the enact-  
3           ment of this Act that is located on land in-  
4           cluded in the National Off-Highway Vehicle  
5           Recreation Areas designated by subsections (a)  
6           and (b) of section 102; or

7                   (B) the customary operation, maintenance,  
8           upgrade, repair, relocation within such a right-  
9           of-way, replacement, or other authorized energy  
10          transport facility activities (including the use of  
11          any mechanized vehicle, helicopter, and other  
12          aerial device) within such a right-of-way;

13                   (2) affects the application, siting, route selec-  
14          tion, right-of-way acquisition, or construction of the  
15          Coolwater-Lugo transmission project, as may be ap-  
16          proved by the California Public Utilities Commission  
17          and the Bureau of Land Management; or

18                   (3) prohibits the upgrading or replacement of  
19          any Southern California Edison Company—

20                           (A) energy transport facility, including  
21          such an energy transport facility known on the  
22          date of enactment of this Act as—

23                                   (i) Gale-PS 512, Inyokern-McGen-  
24                                   Searles, Downs-Inyokern-McGen-Searles,  
25                                   Lugo-Mohave, Eldorado-Lugo, Lugo-Pis-

1                   gah No. 1, and Lugo-Pisgah No. 2 trans-  
2                   mission lines or rights-of-way; or

3                   (ii) Patio, Jack Ranch, and Kenworth  
4                   distribution circuits or rights-of-way; or

5                   (B) energy transport facility in a right-of-  
6                   way issued, granted, or permitted by the Sec-  
7                   retary of the Interior adjacent to the energy  
8                   transport facility referred to in subparagraph  
9                   (A).

10           (b) PLANS FOR ACCESS.—The Secretary of the Inte-  
11 rior, in consultation with the Southern California Edison  
12 Company, shall publish plans for regular and emergency  
13 access by the Southern California Edison Company to the  
14 rights-of-way of the Company by the date that is one year  
15 after the later of—

16                   (1) the date of enactment of this Act; and

17                   (2) the date of issuance of a new energy trans-  
18 port facility right-of-way within the National Off-  
19 Highway Vehicle Recreation Areas designated by  
20 subsections (a) and (b) of section 102.

21 **SEC. 105. PACIFIC GAS AND ELECTRIC COMPANY UTILITY**  
22 **FACILITIES AND RIGHTS-OF-WAY.**

23           (a) EFFECT OF TITLE.—Nothing in this title—

24                   (1) terminates—

1 (A) any right-of-way issued, granted, or  
2 permitted to Pacific Gas and Electric Company  
3 (including any predecessor or successor in inter-  
4 est or assign) as of the date of the enactment  
5 of this Act that is located on land included in  
6 the Spangler Hills National Off-Highway Vehi-  
7 cle Recreation Area; or

8 (B) the customary operation, maintenance,  
9 upgrade, repair, relocation within such a right-  
10 of-way, replacement, or other authorized activi-  
11 ties (including the use of any mechanized vehi-  
12 cle, helicopter, and other aerial device) within  
13 such a right-of-way; or

14 (2) prohibits the upgrading or replacement of  
15 any—

16 (A) utility facilities of the Pacific Gas and  
17 Electric Company, including those utility facili-  
18 ties known on the date of enactment of this Act  
19 as—

20 (i) Gas Transmission Line 311 or  
21 rights-of-way; or

22 (ii) Gas Transmission Line 372 or  
23 rights-of-way; or

24 (B) utility facilities of the Pacific Gas and  
25 Electric Company in rights-of-way issued,

1 granted, or permitted by the Secretary of the  
2 Interior adjacent to a utility facility referred to  
3 in subparagraph (A).

4 (b) **PLANS FOR ACCESS.**—Not later than one year  
5 after the date of enactment of this Act or the issuance  
6 of a new utility facility right-of-way within the Spangler  
7 Hills National Off-Highway Vehicle Recreation Area,  
8 whichever is later, the Secretary of the Interior, in con-  
9 sultation with the Pacific Gas and Electric Company, shall  
10 publish plans for regular and emergency access by the Pa-  
11 cific Gas and Electric Company to the rights-of-way of the  
12 Pacific Gas and Electric Company.

## 13 **TITLE II—WILDERNESS**

### 14 **SEC. 201. PURPOSE.**

15 The purpose of this title is—

16 (1) to designate or expand in law certain wil-  
17 derness areas in the California Desert Conservation  
18 Area; and

19 (2) to ensure the conservation and necessary  
20 management of wildlife and other natural resources  
21 in the Conservation Area.

### 22 **SEC. 202. DESIGNATION OR EXPANSION OF WILDERNESS**

#### 23 **AREAS IN THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA.**

24 (a) **DESIGNATION OR EXPANSION OF WILDERNESS**  
25 **IN CALIFORNIA DESERT CONSERVATION AREA.**—In ac-

1 cordance with the Wilderness Act (16 U.S.C. 1131 et seq.)  
2 and sections 601 and 603 of the Federal Land Policy and  
3 Management Act of 1976 (43 U.S.C. 1781, 1782), the fol-  
4 lowing public lands in the State of California are des-  
5 ignated as wilderness and either included as part of an  
6 existing wilderness area or made a new component of the  
7 National Wilderness Preservation System:

8           (1) AVAWATZ MOUNTAINS WILDERNESS.—Cer-  
9           tain land in the California Desert Conservation Area  
10           administered by the Bureau of Land Management  
11           comprising approximately 91,800 acres, as generally  
12           depicted on the map entitled “Avawatz Mountains  
13           Wilderness Proposed Wilderness” and dated June  
14           30, 2015, to be known as the Avawatz Mountains  
15           Wilderness.

16           (2) GOLDEN VALLEY WILDERNESS.—Certain  
17           land in the California Desert Conservation Area ad-  
18           ministered by the Bureau of Land Management  
19           comprising approximately 1,260 acres, as generally  
20           depicted on the map entitled “Golden Valley Pro-  
21           posed Wilderness Additions” and dated March 17,  
22           2015, which shall be incorporated in, and shall be  
23           considered to be a part of, the Golden Valley Wilder-  
24           ness designated by section 102(23) of the California

1 Desert Protection Act of 1994 (Public Law 104–  
2 433; 16 U.S.C. 1132 note).

3 (3) KINGSTON RANGE WILDERNESS.—Certain  
4 land in the California Desert Conservation Area ad-  
5 ministered by the Bureau of Land Management  
6 comprising approximately 53,320 acres, as generally  
7 depicted on the map entitled “Kingston Range Pro-  
8 posed Wilderness Additions” and dated February  
9 18, 2015, which shall be incorporated in, and shall  
10 be considered to be a part of, the Kingston Range  
11 Wilderness designated by section 102(32) of the  
12 California Desert Protection Act of 1994 (Public  
13 Law 104–433; 16 U.S.C. 1132 note).

14 (4) SODA MOUNTAINS WILDERNESS.—Certain  
15 land in the California Desert Conservation Area ad-  
16 ministered by the Bureau of Land Management  
17 comprising approximately 79,980 acres, as generally  
18 depicted on the map entitled “Soda Mountains Pro-  
19 posed Wilderness” and dated February 18, 2015, to  
20 be known as the Soda Mountains Wilderness.

21 (5) MALPAIS MESA WILDERNESS.—Certain land  
22 in the California Desert Conservation Area adminis-  
23 tered by the Bureau of Land Management com-  
24 prising approximately 14,810 acres, as generally de-  
25 picted on the map entitled “Malpais Mesa Proposed

1 Wilderness Additions” and dated September 11,  
2 2015, which shall be incorporated in, and shall be  
3 considered to be a part of, the Malpais Mesa Wilder-  
4 ness designated by section 102(35) of the California  
5 Desert Protection Act of 1994 (Public Law 104–  
6 433; 16 U.S.C. 1132 note).

7 (6) GREAT FALLS BASIN WILDERNESS.—

8 (A) DESIGNATION.—Certain land in the  
9 California Desert Conservation Area adminis-  
10 tered by the Bureau of Land Management com-  
11 prising approximately 7,920 acres, as generally  
12 depicted on the map entitled “Great Falls  
13 Basin Proposed Wilderness” and dated August  
14 5, 2015, to be known as the Great Falls Basin  
15 Wilderness.

16 (B) LIMITATION.—Designation of the wil-  
17 derness under subparagraph (A) shall not es-  
18 tablish a Class I Airshed under the Clean Air  
19 Act (42 U.S.C. 7401 et seq.)

20 (b) EXPANSION OF DEATH VALLEY NATIONAL PARK  
21 WILDERNESS.—In accordance with the Wilderness Act  
22 (16 U.S.C. 1131 et seq.) and sections 601 and 603 of the  
23 Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976 (43  
24 U.S.C. 1781, 1782), the following land in the State of  
25 California is designated as wilderness and included as part

1 of an existing wilderness area of the National Wilderness  
2 Preservation System:

3           (1) DEATH VALLEY NATIONAL PARK WILDER-  
4           NESS ADDITIONS-NORTH EUREKA VALLEY.—Certain  
5           land in the California Desert Conservation Area ad-  
6           ministered by the Director of the National Park  
7           Service, comprising approximately 11,496 acres, as  
8           generally depicted on the map entitled “Death Valley  
9           National Park Proposed Wilderness Area-North Eu-  
10          reka Valley”, numbered 143/100,082D, and dated  
11          August 2015, which shall be considered to be a part  
12          of the Death Valley National Park Wilderness.

13           (2) DEATH VALLEY NATIONAL PARK WILDER-  
14           NESS ADDITIONS-IBEX.—Certain land in the Cali-  
15           fornia Desert Conservation Area administered by the  
16           Director of the National Park Service comprising  
17           approximately 23,650 acres, as generally depicted on  
18           the map entitled “Death Valley National Park Pro-  
19           posed Wilderness Area-Ibex”, numbered 143/  
20           100,081C, and dated October 7, 2014, which shall  
21           be considered to be a part of the Death Valley Na-  
22           tional Park Wilderness.

23           (3) DEATH VALLEY NATIONAL PARK WILDER-  
24           NESS ADDITIONS-PANAMINT VALLEY.—Certain land  
25           in the California Desert Conservation Area adminis-

1       tered by the Director of the National Park Service,  
2       comprising approximately 4,807 acres, as generally  
3       depicted on the map entitled “Death Valley National  
4       Park Proposed Wilderness Area-Panamint Valley”,  
5       numbered 143/100,083C, and dated October 7,  
6       2014, which shall be considered to be a part of the  
7       Death Valley National Park Wilderness.

8               (4) DEATH VALLEY NATIONAL PARK WILDER-  
9       NESS ADDITIONS-WARM SPRINGS.—Certain land in  
10       the California Desert Conservation Area adminis-  
11       tered by the Director of the National Park Service,  
12       comprising approximately 10,485 acres, as generally  
13       depicted on the map entitled “Death Valley National  
14       Park Proposed Wilderness Area-Warm Spring Can-  
15       yon/Galena Canyon”. Numbered 143/100,084D, and  
16       dated August 2015, which shall be considered to be  
17       a part of the Death Valley National Park Wilder-  
18       ness.

19               (5) DEATH VALLEY NATIONAL PARK WILDER-  
20       NESS ADDITIONS-AXE HEAD.—Certain land in the  
21       California Desert Conservation Area administered by  
22       the Director of the National Park Service, com-  
23       prising approximately 8,638 acres, as generally de-  
24       picted on the map entitled “Death Valley National  
25       Park Proposed Wilderness Area-Axe Head”, num-

1 bered 143/100,085C, and dated October 7, 2014,  
2 which shall be considered to be a part of the Death  
3 Valley National Park Wilderness.

4 (6) DEATH VALLEY NATIONAL PARK WILDER-  
5 NESS ADDITIONS-BOWLING ALLEY.—Certain land in  
6 the California Desert Conservation Area adminis-  
7 tered by the Director of the National Park Service,  
8 comprising approximately 28,923 acres, as generally  
9 depicted on the map entitled “Death Valley National  
10 Park Proposed Park Expansion and Wilderness”,  
11 numbered 143/128,606, and dated May 14, 2015,  
12 which shall be considered to be a part of the Death  
13 Valley National Park Wilderness.

14 (c) EXPANSION OF SAN GORGONIO WILDERNESS.—

15 (1) DESIGNATION.—In accordance with the  
16 Wilderness Act (16 U.S.C. 1131 et seq.), certain  
17 land in San Bernardino National Forest in the State  
18 of California, comprising approximately 5,570 acres,  
19 as generally depicted on the map entitled “Proposed  
20 Sand to Snow National Monument” and dated Au-  
21 gust 4, 2015, is designated as wilderness and in-  
22 cluded as part of the San Gorgonio Wilderness of  
23 the National Wilderness Preservation System.

24 (2) FIRE MANAGEMENT AND RELATED ACTIVI-  
25 TIES.—

1           (A) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Agri-  
2           culture may carry out such activities in the wil-  
3           derness designated by paragraph (1) as are nec-  
4           essary for the control of fire, insects, and dis-  
5           ease, in accordance with section 4(d)(1) of the  
6           Wilderness Act (16 U.S.C. 1133(d)(1)) and  
7           House Report 98–40 of the 98th Congress.

8           (B) FUNDING PRIORITIES.—Nothing in  
9           this subsection limits the provision of any fund-  
10          ing for fire or fuel management in the wilder-  
11          ness designated by paragraph (1).

12          (C) REVISION AND DEVELOPMENT OF  
13          LOCAL FIRE MANAGEMENT PLANS.—As soon as  
14          practicable after the date of the enactment of  
15          this Act, the Secretary of Agriculture shall  
16          amend the local fire management plans that  
17          apply to the wilderness designated by para-  
18          graph (1).

19          (D) ADMINISTRATION.—In accordance  
20          with subparagraph (A) and other applicable  
21          Federal law, to ensure a timely and efficient re-  
22          sponse to fire emergencies in the wilderness  
23          designated by paragraph (1), the Secretary of  
24          Agriculture shall—

1 (i) not later than one year after the  
2 date of the enactment of this Act, establish  
3 agency approval procedures (including ap-  
4 propriate delegations of authority to the  
5 Forest Supervisor) for responding to fire  
6 emergencies in the wilderness designated  
7 by paragraph (1); and

8 (ii) enter into agreements with appro-  
9 priate State or local firefighting agencies  
10 relating to the wilderness.

11 (d) MAPS; LEGAL DESCRIPTIONS.—

12 (1) IN GENERAL.—As soon as practicable after  
13 the date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary of  
14 the Interior (and, with respect to the wilderness des-  
15 ignated by subsection (c), the Secretary of Agri-  
16 culture) (in this title referred to as the “Secretary  
17 concerned”) shall file a map and legal description of  
18 each wilderness area and wilderness addition des-  
19 ignated by this section with—

20 (A) the Committee on Natural Resources  
21 of the House of Representatives; and

22 (B) the Committee on Energy and Natural  
23 Resources of the Senate.

24 (2) FORCE OF LAW.—A map and legal descrip-  
25 tion filed under paragraph (1) shall have the same

1 force and effect as if included in this Act, except  
2 that the Secretary concerned may correct errors in  
3 the maps and legal descriptions.

4 (3) PUBLIC AVAILABILITY.—Each map and  
5 legal description filed under paragraph (1) shall be  
6 filed and made available for public inspection in the  
7 appropriate office of the Secretary concerned.

8 **SEC. 203. MANAGEMENT.**

9 (a) ADMINISTRATION.—Subject to valid existing  
10 rights, the land designated as wilderness or as a wilder-  
11 ness addition by section 202 shall be administered by the  
12 Secretary concerned in accordance with this title and the  
13 Wilderness Act (16 U.S.C. 1131 et seq.), except that any  
14 reference in that Act to the effective date shall be consid-  
15 ered to be a reference to the date of the enactment of  
16 this Act.

17 (b) COOPERATIVE MANAGEMENT AGREEMENT WITH  
18 CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND WILDLIFE.—  
19 Not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment  
20 of this Act, the Secretary of the Interior shall enter into  
21 a cooperative management agreement with the California  
22 Department of Fish and Wildlife for the purposes of man-  
23 aging wilderness areas in the California Desert Conserva-  
24 tion Area to ensure the conservation and necessary man-  
25 agement of wildlife and other natural resources in the

1 Conservation Area. Such cooperative agreement shall in-  
2 clude and ensure necessary wildlife water development and  
3 maintenance as considered necessary by the California De-  
4 partment of Fish and Wildlife.

5 (c) CERTAIN WATER DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS AU-  
6 THORIZED.—Nothing in this title or the Wilderness Act  
7 (16 U.S.C. 1131 et seq.) shall have the effect of prohib-  
8 iting the placement or maintenance of water development  
9 projects on the land designated as wilderness or as a wil-  
10 derness addition by section 202 for the purpose of the con-  
11 servation or management of wildlife.

12 (d) AGENCY APPROVAL PROCEDURES.—Not later  
13 than one year after the date of the enactment of this Act,  
14 the Secretary concerned shall establish agency approval  
15 procedures for the maintenance of water development  
16 projects and other wildlife management activities on the  
17 land designated as wilderness or as a wilderness addition  
18 by section 202 .

19 (e) NO EFFECT ON ADJACENT LAND.—

20 (1) NO BUFFER ZONES OR REGULATION.—

21 Nothing in this title—

22 (A) creates any protective perimeter or  
23 buffer zone around land designated as wilder-  
24 ness or as a wilderness addition by section 202;  
25 or

1 (B) requires additional regulation of activi-  
2 ties on land outside the boundary of the land  
3 designated as wilderness or as a wilderness ad-  
4 dition by such section.

5 (2) ACTIVITIES OUTSIDE WILDERNESS  
6 AREAS.—The fact that an activity (including mili-  
7 tary activities) or use on land outside the boundary  
8 of the land designated as wilderness or as a wilder-  
9 ness addition by section 202 can be seen, heard, or  
10 detected within the wilderness area shall not pre-  
11 clude or restrict the activity or use outside the  
12 boundary of the wilderness area.

13 (f) NO EFFECT ON CERTAIN PERMITTING PRO-  
14 CEEDINGS.—

15 (1) IN GENERAL.—In any permitting pro-  
16 ceeding (including a review under the National Envi-  
17 ronmental Policy Act of 1969 (42 U.S.C. 4321 et  
18 seq.)) conducted with respect to a project described  
19 in paragraph (2) that is formally initiated through  
20 a notice in the Federal Register before December  
21 31, 2013, the consideration of any visual, noise, or  
22 other impacts of the project on land designated as  
23 wilderness or as a wilderness addition by section 202  
24 shall be conducted based on the status of the land  
25 before designation as wilderness.

1           (2) DESCRIPTION OF PROJECTS.—A project re-  
2           ferred to in paragraph (1) is a renewable energy  
3           project or associated energy transport facility  
4           project—

5                   (A) for which the Bureau of Land Man-  
6                   agement has received a right-of-way use appli-  
7                   cation on or before the date of enactment of  
8                   this Act; and

9                   (B) that is located outside the boundary of  
10                  land designated as wilderness or as a wilderness  
11                  addition by section 202.

12          (g) NO EFFECT ON MILITARY OPERATIONS.—Noth-  
13          ing in this Act alters any authority of the Secretary of  
14          Defense to conduct any military operations at desert in-  
15          stallations, facilities, and ranges of the State of California  
16          authorized under any other provision of law.

17          (h) NO EFFECT ON ENERGY TRANSPORT FACILI-  
18          TIES.—In the case of land designated as wilderness or as  
19          a wilderness addition by section 202, nothing in this title  
20          affects any land, interest in land, or customary operation,  
21          maintenance, repair, or replacement activity carried out  
22          on, over, or under land or within a right-of-way, including  
23          access to such right-of-way, granted to, owned by, or con-  
24          trolled by Southern California Edison Company, Pacific  
25          Gas and Electric Company, or Southern California Gas

1 Company pursuant to law or legal right so long as the  
2 activity is conducted in a manner that minimizes the im-  
3 pact on wilderness resources.

4 **SEC. 204. RELEASE OF WILDERNESS STUDY AREAS.**

5 (a) **FINDING AND DIRECTION.**—Congress finds and  
6 directs that the Bureau of Land Management land within  
7 any portion of a wilderness study area described in sub-  
8 section (b) that is not designated as a wilderness area or  
9 wilderness addition by section 202 or any other Act en-  
10 acted before the date of enactment of this Act—

11 (1) has been adequately studied for wilderness  
12 character and wilderness designation pursuant to  
13 sections 201 and 603 of the Federal Land Policy  
14 and Management Act of 1976 (43 U.S.C. 1711 and  
15 1782); and

16 (2) is no longer subject to any requirement per-  
17 taining to the management of wilderness, wilderness  
18 character, wilderness study areas, or areas of envi-  
19 ronmental concern.

20 (b) **DESCRIPTION OF STUDY AREAS.**—The study  
21 areas referred to in subsection (a) are the following:

22 (1) Cady Mountains Wilderness Study Area

23 (2) Kingston Range Wilderness Study Area.

24 (3) Avawatz Mountain Wilderness Study Area.

25 (4) Soda Mountains Wilderness Study Area.

- 1 (5) Great Falls Basin Wilderness Study Area.
- 2 (6) White Mountains Wilderness Study Area.
- 3 (7) Crater Mountain Wilderness Study Area.
- 4 (8) Symmes Creek Wilderness Study Area.
- 5 (9) Independence Creek Wilderness Study Area.
- 6 (10) Southern Inyo Wilderness Study Area.
- 7 (11) Cerro Gordo Wilderness Study Area.
- 8 (12) Death Valley 17 Wilderness Study Area.

9 (c) RELEASE AND SUBSEQUENT MANAGEMENT.—  
10 Any public land described in subsection (a) that is not des-  
11 ignated as wilderness by this title—

12 (1) is no longer subject to section 603(c) of the  
13 Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976  
14 (43 U.S.C. 1782(c));

15 (2) shall be managed in accordance with—

16 (A) land management plans adopted under  
17 section 202 of the Federal Land Policy and  
18 Management Act of 1976 (43 U.S.C. 1712);  
19 and

20 (B) cooperative conservation agreements in  
21 existence on the date of enactment of this Act;  
22 and

23 (3) shall be subject to the Endangered Species  
24 Act of 1973 (16 U.S.C. 1531 et seq.).

1 **SEC. 205. TREATMENT OF CHERRY-STEMMED ROADS.**

2 (a) **DEFINITION OF CHERRY-STEMMED ROAD.**—In  
3 this section, the term “cherry-stemmed road” means a  
4 road or trail that is excluded from a wilderness area or  
5 wilderness addition designated by section 202 by a non-  
6 wilderness corridor having designated wilderness on both  
7 sides, as generally depicted on the maps described in such  
8 section.

9 (b) **PROHIBITION ON CLOSURE OR TRAVEL RESTRIC-**  
10 **TIONS ON CHERRY-STEMMED ROADS.**—The Secretary  
11 concerned shall not—

12 (1) close any cherry-stemmed road that is open  
13 to the public as of the date of the enactment of this  
14 Act;

15 (2) prohibit motorized access on a cherry-  
16 stemmed road that is open to the public for motor-  
17 ized access as of the date of the enactment of this  
18 Act; or

19 (3) prohibit mechanized access on a cherry-  
20 stemmed road that is open to the public for mecha-  
21 nized access as of the date of the enactment of this  
22 Act.

23 (c) **RESOURCE PROTECTION OR PUBLIC SAFETY EX-**  
24 **CEPTIONS.**—Subsection (b) shall not apply to a cherry-  
25 stemmed road if the Secretary concerned determines that  
26 a closure or traffic restriction of the cherry-stemmed road

1 is necessary for purposes of significant resource protection  
2 or public safety.

3 **TITLE III—NATIONAL PARK**  
4 **SYSTEM ADDITIONS**

5 **SEC. 301. DEATH VALLEY NATIONAL PARK BOUNDARY RE-**  
6 **VISION.**

7 (a) IN GENERAL.—The boundary of Death Valley  
8 National Park is adjusted to include—

9 (1) the approximately 28,923 acres of Bureau  
10 of Land Management land in San Bernardino Coun-  
11 ty, California, abutting the southern end of the  
12 Death Valley National Park that lies between Death  
13 Valley National Park to the north and Ft. Irwin  
14 Military Reservation to the south and which runs  
15 approximately 34 miles from west to east, as de-  
16 picted on the map entitled “Death Valley National  
17 Park Proposed Avawatz Mountains Wilderness with  
18 Proposed Park Expansion”, numbered 143/128,605,  
19 and dated May 14, 2015; and

20 (2) the approximately 6,369 acres of Bureau of  
21 Land Management land in Inyo County, California,  
22 located in the northeast area of Death Valley Na-  
23 tional Park that is within, and surrounded by, land  
24 under the jurisdiction of the Director of the Na-  
25 tional Park Service, as depicted on the map entitled

1 “Death Valley National Park Proposed Boundary  
2 Addition-Crater”, numbered 143/100,079C, and  
3 dated October 7, 2014.

4 (b) AVAILABILITY OF MAP.—The maps described in  
5 paragraphs (1) and (2) of subsection (a) shall be on file  
6 and available for public inspection in the appropriate of-  
7 fices of the National Park Service.

8 (c) ADMINISTRATION.—

9 (1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of the Inte-  
10 rior (referred to in this title as the “Secretary”)  
11 shall administer any land added to Death Valley Na-  
12 tional Park under subsection (a)—

13 (A) as part of Death Valley National Park;  
14 and

15 (B) in accordance with applicable laws (in-  
16 cluding regulations).

17 (2) MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING WITH  
18 INYO COUNTY.—Not later than 180 days after the  
19 date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary shall  
20 enter into a memorandum of understanding with  
21 Inyo County, California, to permit operationally fea-  
22 sible, ongoing access and use (including, but not lim-  
23 ited to, material storage as well as excavation) to  
24 gravel pits in existence as of that date along Saline  
25 Valley Road within Death Valley National Park for

1 road maintenance and repairs in accordance with ap-  
2 plicable laws (including regulations).

3 (d) SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA EDISON COMPANY EN-  
4 ERGY TRANSPORT FACILITIES AND RIGHTS-OF-WAY.—

5 (1) IN GENERAL.—Nothing in this section ter-  
6 minates—

7 (A) any right-of-way issued, granted, or  
8 permitted to the Southern California Edison  
9 Company (including any predecessor or suc-  
10 cessor in interest or assign) as of the date of  
11 the enactment of this Act that is located on  
12 land described in paragraphs (1) and (2) of  
13 subsection (a); or

14 (B) the customary operation, maintenance,  
15 upgrade, repair, relocation within such a right-  
16 of-way, replacement, or other authorized energy  
17 transport facility activities in such a right-of-  
18 way, including, at a minimum, the use of  
19 mechanized vehicles, helicopters, or other aerial  
20 devices.

21 (2) UPGRADES AND REPLACEMENTS.—Nothing  
22 in this section prohibits the upgrading or replace-  
23 ment of—

24 (A) Southern California Edison Company  
25 energy transport facilities; or

1 (B) an energy transport facility in rights-  
2 of-way issued, granted, or permitted by the Sec-  
3 retary adjacent to Southern California Edison's  
4 energy transport facilities within Death Valley  
5 National Park.

6 (3) PUBLICATION OF PLANS.—Not later than  
7 one year after the date of enactment of this Act or  
8 the date of the issuance of a new energy transport  
9 facility right-of-way within Death Valley National  
10 Park, whichever is earlier, the Secretary, in con-  
11 sultation with the Southern California Edison Com-  
12 pany, shall publish plans for regular and emergency  
13 access by the Southern California Edison Company  
14 to the rights-of-way of the Southern California Edi-  
15 son Company within Death Valley National Park.

16 **SEC. 302. JOSHUA TREE NATIONAL PARK BOUNDARY REVI-**  
17 **SION, VISITOR CENTER, AND SALE OF FED-**  
18 **ERAL LAND.**

19 Title IV of the California Desert Protection Act of  
20 1994 (Public Law 103–433) is amended by adding at the  
21 end the following new sections:

22 **“SEC. 408. JOSHUA TREE NATIONAL PARK BOUNDARY REVI-**  
23 **SION.**

24 “(a) IN GENERAL.—The boundary of the Joshua  
25 Tree National Park is adjusted to include the 2,879 acres

1 of land managed by Director of the Bureau of Land Man-  
2 agement that are contiguous at several different places to  
3 the northern boundaries of Joshua Tree National Park in  
4 the northwest section of the Park, as depicted on the map  
5 entitled 'Joshua Tree National Park Proposed Boundary  
6 Addition', numbered 156/100,077, and dated August  
7 2009.

8       “(b) ADDITIONAL LANDS TO BE ACQUIRED.—The  
9 Secretary may acquire the 1,639 acres of land from the  
10 Mojave Desert Land Trust that are contiguous at several  
11 different places to the northern boundaries of Joshua Tree  
12 National Park in the northwest section of the Park, as  
13 depicted on the map entitled 'Mojave Desert Land Trust  
14 National Park Service Additions', numbered 156/126,376,  
15 and dated September 2014. After such lands are acquired  
16 by the Secretary, the boundary of the Joshua Tree Na-  
17 tional Park shall be adjusted to include those lands.

18       “(c) AVAILABILITY OF MAPS.—The map described in  
19 subsection (a) and the map depicting the 25 acres de-  
20 scribed in subsection (d)(2) shall be on file and available  
21 for public inspection in the appropriate offices of the Na-  
22 tional Park Service.

23       “(d) ADMINISTRATION.—

24               “(1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary shall admin-  
25 ister any land added to the Joshua Tree National

1 Park under subsection (a) and the additional land  
2 described in paragraph (2)—

3 “(A) as part of Joshua Tree National  
4 Park; and

5 “(B) in accordance with applicable laws  
6 (including regulations).

7 “(2) DESCRIPTION OF ADDITIONAL LAND.—The  
8 additional land referred to in paragraph (1) is the  
9 25 acres of land—

10 “(A) depicted on the map entitled ‘Joshua  
11 Tree National Park Boundary Adjustment  
12 Map’, numbered 156/80,049, and dated April 1,  
13 2003;

14 “(B) added to Joshua Tree National Park  
15 by the notice of the Department of the Interior  
16 of August 28, 2003 (68 Fed. Reg. 51799); and

17 “(C) more particularly described as lots  
18 26, 27, 28, 33, and 34 in sec. 34, T. 1 N., R.  
19 8 E., San Bernardino Meridian.

20 “(e) SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA EDISON COMPANY EN-  
21 ERGY TRANSPORT FACILITIES AND RIGHTS-OF-WAY.—

22 “(1) IN GENERAL.—Nothing in this section ter-  
23 minates—

24 “(A) any right-of-way issued, granted, or  
25 permitted to Southern California Edison Com-

1           pany (including any predecessor or successor in  
2           interest or assign) as of the date of the enact-  
3           ment of this Act that is located on land de-  
4           scribed in subsections (a) and (b); or

5           “(B) the customary operation, mainte-  
6           nance, upgrade, repair, relocation within such a  
7           right-of-way, replacement, or other authorized  
8           energy transport facility activities (including the  
9           use of any mechanized vehicle, helicopter, and  
10          other aerial device) within such a right-of-way.

11          “(2) UPGRADES AND REPLACEMENTS.—Noth-  
12          ing in this section prohibits the upgrading or re-  
13          placement of—

14                 “(A) Southern California Edison Company  
15                 energy transport facilities, including the energy  
16                 transport facilities referred to as the Jellystone,  
17                 Burnt Mountain, Whitehorn, Allegra, and Utah  
18                 distribution circuits rights-of-way; or

19                 “(B) an energy transport facility in rights-  
20                 of-way issued, granted, or permitted by the Sec-  
21                 retary adjacent to Southern California Edison’s  
22                 energy transport facilities within Joshua Tree  
23                 National Park.

24          “(3) PUBLICATION OF PLANS.—Not later than  
25          the date that is one year after the date of enactment

1 of this section or the issuance of a new energy trans-  
2 port facility right-of-way within the Joshua Tree Na-  
3 tional Park, whichever is earlier, the Secretary, in  
4 consultation with the Southern California Edison  
5 Company, shall publish plans for regular and emer-  
6 gency access by the Southern California Edison  
7 Company to the rights-of-way of the Southern Cali-  
8 fornia Edison Company within Joshua Tree Na-  
9 tional Park.

10 **“SEC. 409. VISITOR CENTER.**

11 “(a) IN GENERAL.—Subject to subsection (d), the  
12 Secretary may acquire not more than 5 acres of land and  
13 interests in land, and improvements on the land and inter-  
14 ests, outside the boundaries of Joshua Tree National  
15 Park, in the unincorporated village of Joshua Tree, for  
16 the purpose of operating a visitor center. The land and  
17 facilities so acquired may include the property owned (as  
18 of the date of enactment of this section) by the Joshua  
19 Tree National Park Association and commonly referred to  
20 as the ‘Joshua Tree National Park Visitor Center’.

21 “(b) BOUNDARY.—Upon acquisition of the land au-  
22 thorized for acquisition by subsection (a), the Secretary  
23 shall modify the boundary of Joshua Tree National Park  
24 to include the land acquired under this section as a non-  
25 contiguous parcel.

1           “(c) ADMINISTRATION.—Land and facilities acquired  
2 under this section shall be administered by the Secretary  
3 as part of Joshua Tree National Park.

4           “(d) AUTHORIZED ACQUISITION METHODS.—Land  
5 and facilities may be acquired under this section only with  
6 the consent of the owner, by donation, purchase with do-  
7 nated or appropriated funds, or exchange.”.

8 **SEC. 303. MOJAVE NATIONAL PRESERVE BOUNDARY REVI-**  
9 **SION AND RELATED PROVISIONS.**

10          (a) IMMEDIATE ADDITIONS.—The boundary of the  
11 Mojave National Preserve is adjusted to include the fol-  
12 lowing:

13           (1) The approximately 14,750 acres of Bureau  
14 of Land Management land that is surrounded by the  
15 Mojave National Preserve to the northwest, west,  
16 southwest, south, and southeast, and by the Nevada  
17 State line on the northeast boundary, as depicted as  
18 the “Mojave National Preserve Additions” on the  
19 map entitled “Mojave National Preserve Proposed  
20 Additions”, numbered 170/129,826, and dated Sep-  
21 tember 2015.

22           (2) The 25 acres of Bureau of Land Manage-  
23 ment land in Baker, California, as depicted on the  
24 map entitled “Mojave National Preserve Proposed

1 Boundary Addition”, numbered 170/100,199, and  
2 dated August 2009.

3 (b) FUTURE MOJAVE NATIONAL PRESERVE ADDI-  
4 TIONS.—The boundary of the Mojave National Preserve  
5 shall be adjusted to include the approximately 13,250  
6 acres of Bureau of Land Management land depicted as  
7 “Future Mojave National Preserve Additions” on the map  
8 entitled “Mojave National Preserve Proposed Additions”,  
9 numbered 170/129,826, and dated September 2015, upon  
10 the earlier of the following:

11 (1) The termination of all mining and mining-  
12 related activities involving Castle Mountain Mine  
13 and the completion of all reclamation in response to  
14 such activities, as determined by the Secretary of the  
15 Interior.

16 (2) The end of the first period of 20 consecu-  
17 tive years occurring after the date of the enactment  
18 of this Act during which no legally permissible com-  
19 mercial mining activities have occurred pursuant to  
20 a plan of development for the Castle Mountain Mine  
21 approved by the Bureau of Land Management.

22 (c) AVAILABILITY OF MAPS.—The maps described in  
23 subsections (a) and (b) shall be on file and available for  
24 public inspection in the appropriate offices of the National  
25 Park Service.

1 (d) ADMINISTRATION.—

2 (1) IN GENERAL.—Except as otherwise pro-  
3 vided in this section, the Secretary of the Interior  
4 shall administer any land added to Mojave National  
5 Preserve under this section—

6 (A) as part of the Mojave National Pre-  
7 serve; and

8 (B) in accordance with applicable laws (in-  
9 cluding regulations).

10 (2) MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING WITH  
11 CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND WILD-  
12 LIFE.—Not later than 180 days after the date of the  
13 enactment of this Act, the Secretary of the Interior  
14 shall enter into a memorandum of understanding  
15 with the California Department of Fish and Wildlife  
16 to permit operationally feasible, ongoing access to  
17 the land added to Mojave National Preserve under  
18 this section for the placement and maintenance of  
19 water development projects as considered necessary  
20 for wildlife conservation.

21 (e) PROTECTION OF EXISTING RIGHTS.—

22 (1) EFFECT ON VALID EXISTING RIGHTS.—  
23 Nothing in this section shall affect valid existing  
24 rights or preclude, or prevent or inhibit mining or  
25 mining-related activities (including water develop-

1       ment) authorized under any Bureau of Land Man-  
2       agement approved plan of development, throughout  
3       all phases of mining including completion of final  
4       reclamation, for the lands described in subsections  
5       (a)(1) and (b).

6           (2) EFFECT ON PRIVATE PROPERTY RIGHTS.—  
7       Nothing in this section shall affect any private prop-  
8       erty right (including a water development right)  
9       within the boundaries of the Mojave National Pre-  
10      serve, as adjusted by this section.

11           (3) EFFECT ON CASTLE MOUNTAIN MINE  
12      RIGHTS AND OPERATIONS.—

13           (A) IN GENERAL.—Nothing in this section  
14      shall impair existing rights relating to the Cas-  
15      tle Mountain Mine, nor shall anything in this  
16      title create or impose any additional regulatory  
17      or administrative requirements relating to the  
18      permitting, development, and operation of all  
19      phases of the Castle Mountain Mine.

20           (B) PIPELINE OR WELL.—Nothing in  
21      chapter 1007 of title 54, United States Code  
22      (formerly known as the Mining in the National  
23      Parks Act of 1976), the California Desert Pro-  
24      tection Act of 1994 (Public Law 103-433), the  
25      implementing regulations of such laws, or any

1 other Federal law or regulation shall constitute  
2 a bar to the lawful issuance of any right, enti-  
3 tlement, or approval necessary for the location  
4 and use of any pipeline or well necessary for  
5 Castle Mountain Mining Company to conduct  
6 continued mining operations.

7 (f) SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA EDISON COMPANY EN-  
8 ERGY TRANSPORT FACILITIES AND RIGHTS-OF-WAY.—

9 (1) IN GENERAL.—Nothing in this section ter-  
10 minates—

11 (A) any right-of-way issued, granted, or  
12 permitted to the Southern California Edison  
13 Company (including any predecessor or suc-  
14 cessor in interest or assign) as of the date of  
15 the enactment of this Act that is located on  
16 land described in subsections (a) and (b); or

17 (B) the customary operation, maintenance,  
18 upgrade, repair, relocation within such a right-  
19 of-way, replacement, or other authorized energy  
20 transport facility activities in such a right-of-  
21 way, including, at a minimum, the use of  
22 mechanized vehicles, helicopters, or other aerial  
23 devices.

1           (2) UPGRADES AND REPLACEMENTS.—Nothing  
2 in this section prohibits the upgrading or replace-  
3 ment of—

4           (A) Southern California Edison Company  
5 energy transport facilities; or

6           (B) an energy transport facility in rights-  
7 of-way issued, granted, or permitted by the Sec-  
8 retary adjacent to Southern California Edison's  
9 energy transport facilities within the Mojave  
10 National Preserve.

11          (3) PUBLICATION OF PLANS.—Not later than  
12 one year after the date of enactment of this Act or  
13 the date of the issuance of a new energy transport  
14 facility right-of-way within the Mojave National Pre-  
15 serve, whichever is earlier, the Secretary of the Inte-  
16 rior, in consultation with the Southern California  
17 Edison Company, shall publish plans for regular and  
18 emergency access by the Southern California Edison  
19 Company to the rights-of-way of the Southern Cali-  
20 fornia Edison Company within the Mojave National  
21 Preserve.

22          (g) NEW RIGHTS-OF-WAY.—

23           (1) RETAINED BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT  
24 AUTHORITY.—Consideration of any right-of-way ap-  
25 plication within lands described in subsection (a)(1)

1 for the purpose of providing water resources nec-  
2 essary for the operation of the Castle Mountain  
3 Mine shall remain within the jurisdiction and au-  
4 thority of the Bureau of Land Management,  
5 throughout the development of all phases of the Cas-  
6 tle Mountain Mine.

7 (2) CONSIDERATION OF APPLICATIONS.—The  
8 Director of the Bureau of Land Management shall  
9 consider any proposed plan of development, modi-  
10 fications to the plan, and associated right-of-way ap-  
11 plications for the Castle Mountain Mine in accord-  
12 ance with the Federal Land Policy and Management  
13 Act of 1976 (43 U.S.C. 1701 et seq.) and any other  
14 laws (including regulations) applicable to the land  
15 described in subsection (b) prior to the date of en-  
16 actment of this Act.

17 (3) EXPIRATION OF AUTHORITY.—The author-  
18 ity of the Director of the Bureau of Land Manage-  
19 ment described in this subsection shall terminate at  
20 the end of the first period of 20 consecutive years  
21 occurring after the date of the enactment of this Act  
22 during which no legally permissible commercial min-  
23 ing activities have occurred pursuant to a plan of de-  
24 velopment for the Castle Mountain Mine approved  
25 by the Bureau of Land Management.

1 (4) TREATMENT OF NEW RIGHTS-OF-WAY.—

2 Any new right-of-way approved by the Bureau of  
3 Land Management under this subsection shall be  
4 considered a valid existing right-of-way only if such  
5 right-of-way is included in an approved plan of de-  
6 velopment for Castle Mountain Mine.

7 (5) RIGHTS-OF-WAY FOR WATER ACCESS.—Fol-

8 lowing any review required under the National Envi-  
9 ronmental Policy Act of 1969 (42 U.S.C. 4321 et  
10 seq.) and other applicable laws and regulations, the  
11 National Park Service and all other Federal agencies  
12 with jurisdiction, shall consider and approve—

13 (A) the application for and receipt of any  
14 rights-of-way, other necessary approvals and en-  
15 titlements, or both to access and traverse exist-  
16 ing lands within the Mojave National Preserve  
17 in order to access water sources located in wa-  
18 tersheds outside of the Preserve; and

19 (B) the application and establishment of  
20 underground waterways throughout the Pre-  
21 serve.

22 (h) FUTURE WATER FACILITIES.—

23 (1) SEARCH FOR ALTERNATIVE WATER  
24 SOURCES.—Subject to paragraphs (2) and (3), Cas-  
25 tle Mountain Mining Company shall have the right

1 to conduct reconnaissance and drilling within the  
2 lands described in subsection (a)(1) to identify po-  
3 tential alternative sources of water for development  
4 of all phases of the Castle Mountain Mine.

5 (2) RESPONSE TO FINDING WATER SUPPLIES.—

6 If adequate water supplies are identified for the Cas-  
7 tle Mountain Mine that are in excess of existing  
8 water rights in the Mojave National Preserve, Castle  
9 Mountain Mining Company may propose the location  
10 of new pipelines, including possible underground  
11 pipelines, and well sites, as appropriate, to the Sec-  
12 retary of the Interior and all other Federal agencies  
13 with jurisdiction. The approval of any new pipeline  
14 or well site location proposed by Castle Mountain  
15 Mining Company under this paragraph shall be sub-  
16 ject to review under the National Environmental  
17 Policy Act of 1969 (42 U.S.C. 4321 et seq.) and  
18 other applicable laws and regulations.

19 (3) CONCLUSION.—If approval of a new pipe-  
20 line or well site location is obtained under paragraph  
21 (2), Castle Mountain Mining Company obtains any  
22 necessary entitlements from the State of California  
23 for use of the water resources, and the combination  
24 of new pipelines and well sites will provide Castle  
25 Mountain Mining Company with adequate water

1 supplies for development of all phases of the Castle  
2 Mountain Mine, Castle Mountain will then relinquish  
3 and quitclaim to the United States any and all inter-  
4 ests in its pipeline and well site in existence as of  
5 the date of the enactment of this Act.

6 **TITLE IV—DESIGNATION OF**  
7 **WILD, SCENIC, AND REC-**  
8 **REATIONAL RIVERS**

9 **SEC. 401. DESIGNATION OF WILD, SCENIC, AND REC-**  
10 **REATIONAL RIVERS.**

11 Section 3(a) of the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act (16  
12 U.S.C. 1274(a)) is amended—

13 (1) in paragraph (196), by striking subpara-  
14 graph (A) and inserting the following:

15 “(A)(i) The approximately 1.4-mile seg-  
16 ment of the Amargosa River in the State of  
17 California, from the private property boundary  
18 in sec. 19, T. 22 N., R. 7 E., to 100 feet down-  
19 stream of Highway 178, to be administered by  
20 the Secretary of the Interior as a scenic river  
21 as an addition to the wild and scenic river seg-  
22 ments of the Amargosa River on publication by  
23 the Secretary of a notice in the Federal Reg-  
24 ister that sufficient inholdings within the  
25 boundaries of the segments have been acquired

1 as scenic easements or in fee title to establish  
2 a manageable addition to those segments.

3 “(ii) The approximately 6.1-mile segment  
4 of the Amargosa River in the State of Cali-  
5 fornia, from 100 feet downstream of the State  
6 Highway 178 crossing to 100 feet upstream of  
7 the Tecopa Hot Springs Road crossing, to be  
8 administered by the Secretary of the Interior as  
9 a scenic river.”; and

10 (2) by adding at the end the following:

11 “(213) SURPRISE CANYON CREEK, CALI-  
12 FORNIA.—

13 “(A) IN GENERAL.—The following seg-  
14 ments of Surprise Canyon Creek in the State of  
15 California, to be administered by the Secretary  
16 of the Interior:

17 “(i) The approximately 5.3 miles of  
18 Surprise Canyon Creek from the con-  
19 fluence of Frenchman’s Canyon and Water  
20 Canyon to 100-feet upstream of Chris  
21 Wicht Camp, as a wild river.

22 “(ii) The approximately 1.8 miles of  
23 Surprise Canyon Creek from 100 feet up-  
24 stream of Chris Wicht Camp to the south-

1                   ern boundary of sec. 14, T. 21 N., R. 44  
2                   E., as a recreational river.

3                   “(B) EFFECT ON HISTORIC MINING STRUC-  
4                   TURES.—Nothing in this paragraph affects the  
5                   historic mining structures associated with the  
6                   former Panamint Mining District.

7                   “(C) EFFECT ON SURPRISE CANYON  
8                   ROAD.—Nothing in this paragraph shall be con-  
9                   strued—

10                   “(i) to restrict continued access to  
11                   Chris Wicht Camp along Surprise Canyon  
12                   Road; or

13                   “(ii) to prevent Inyo County, Cali-  
14                   fornia, from maintaining and repairing  
15                   Surprise Canyon Road, up to the boundary  
16                   of the wild river 100-feet upstream of  
17                   Chris Wicht Camp, in accordance with ap-  
18                   plicable laws and regulations.

19                   “(214) DEEP CREEK, CALIFORNIA.—

20                   “(A) IN GENERAL.—The following seg-  
21                   ments of Deep Creek in the State of California,  
22                   to be administered by the Secretary of Agri-  
23                   culture:

24                   “(i) The approximately 6.5-mile seg-  
25                   ment from 0.125 mile downstream of the

1 Rainbow Dam site in sec. 33, T. 2 N., R.  
2 2 W., to 0.25- miles upstream of the Road  
3 3N34 crossing, as a wild river.

4 “(ii) The 0.5-mile segment from 0.25  
5 mile upstream of the Road 3N34 crossing  
6 to 0.25 mile downstream of the Road  
7 3N34 crossing, as a scenic river.

8 “(iii) The 2.5-mile segment from 0.25  
9 miles downstream of the Road 3 N. 34  
10 crossing to 0.25 miles upstream of the  
11 Trail 2W01 crossing, as a wild river.

12 “(iv) The 0.5-mile segment from 0.25  
13 miles upstream of the Trail 2W01 crossing  
14 to 0.25 mile downstream of the Trail  
15 2W01 crossing, as a scenic river.

16 “(v) The 10-mile segment from 0.25  
17 miles downstream of the Trail 2W01 cross-  
18 ing to the upper limit of the Mojave dam  
19 flood zone in sec. 17, T. 3 N., R. 3 W., as  
20 a wild river.

21 “(vi) The 11-mile segment of Hol-  
22 comb Creek from 100 yards downstream of  
23 the Road 3N12 crossing to .25 miles down-  
24 stream of Holcomb Crossing, as a rec-  
25 reational river.

1                   “(vii) The 3.5-mile segment of the  
2                   Holcomb Creek from 0.25 miles down-  
3                   stream of Holcomb Crossing to the Deep  
4                   Creek confluence, as a wild river.

5                   “(B) EFFECT ON SKI OPERATIONS.—Noth-  
6                   ing in this paragraph affects—

7                   “(i) the operations of the Snow Valley  
8                   Ski Resort; or

9                   “(ii) the State regulation of water  
10                  rights and water quality associated with  
11                  the operation of the Snow Valley Ski Re-  
12                  sort.

13                  “(215) WHITEWATER RIVER, CALIFORNIA.—  
14                  The following segments of the Whitewater River in  
15                  the State of California, to be administered by the  
16                  Secretary of Agriculture and the Secretary of the In-  
17                  terior, acting jointly:

18                  “(A) The 5.8-mile segment of the North  
19                  Fork Whitewater River from the source of the  
20                  River near Mt. San Gorgonio to the confluence  
21                  with the Middle Fork, as a wild river.

22                  “(B) The 6.4-mile segment of the Middle  
23                  Fork Whitewater River from the source of the  
24                  River to the confluence with the South Fork, as  
25                  a wild river.

1           “(C) The 1-mile segment of the South  
2           Fork Whitewater River from the confluence of  
3           the River with the East Fork to the section line  
4           between sections 32 and 33, T. 1 S., R. 2 E.,  
5           as a wild river.

6           “(D) The 1-mile segment of the South  
7           Fork Whitewater River from the section line be-  
8           tween sections 32 and 33, T. 1 S., R. 2 E., to  
9           the section line between sections 33 and 34, T.  
10          1 S., R. 2 E., as a recreational river.

11          “(E) The 4.9-mile segment of the South  
12          Fork Whitewater River from the section line be-  
13          tween sections 33 and 34, T. 1 S., R. 2 E., to  
14          the confluence with the Middle Fork, as a wild  
15          river.

16          “(F) The 5.4-mile segment of the main  
17          stem of the Whitewater River from the con-  
18          fluence of the South and Middle Forks to the  
19          San Gorgonio Wilderness boundary, as a wild  
20          river.

21          “(G) The 3.6-mile segment of the main  
22          stem of the Whitewater River from the San  
23          Gorgonio Wilderness boundary to .25 miles up-  
24          stream of the southern boundary of section 35,  
25          T. 2 S., R. 3 E., as a recreational river.”

1       **TITLE V—BLACK LAVA BUTTE**  
2                   **AND FLAT TOP MESA**

3       **SEC. 501. BLACK LAVA BUTTE AND FLAT TOP MESA AREA**  
4                   **OF CRITICAL ENVIRONMENTAL CONCERN.**

5           (a) **DESIGNATION.**—There is established the Black  
6 Lava Butte and Flat Top Mesa Area of Critical Environ-  
7 mental Concern (referred to in this section as the “covered  
8 area”) within the California Desert Conservation Area  
9 under the Bureau of Land Management comprising ap-  
10 proximately 6,350 acres as generally depicted on the map  
11 entitled “Proposed Black Lava Butte and Flat Top Mesa  
12 ACEC” and dated March 2, 2015.

13          (b) **ADMINISTRATION.**—The Secretary of the Interior  
14 shall administer the covered area to preserve the geologi-  
15 cal, biological, cultural, and archeological resources within  
16 the covered area.

17          (c) **WITHDRAWAL.**—Subject to valid existing rights,  
18 the Federal land and interests in Federal land included  
19 within the covered area are withdrawn from—

20               (1) all forms of entry, appropriation, or disposal  
21               under the public land laws;

22               (2) location, entry, and patent under the United  
23               States mining laws; and

24               (3) disposition under all laws pertaining to min-  
25               eral and geothermal leasing and mineral materials.

1 (d) PROHIBITION ON RENEWABLE ENERGY GENERA-  
2 TION FACILITIES.—Development of renewable energy gen-  
3 eration facilities (excluding rights-of-way or facilities for  
4 the transmission of energy and telecommunication facili-  
5 ties and infrastructure) is prohibited within the covered  
6 area.

7 **TITLE VI—MOJAVE TRAILS**  
8 **SPECIAL MANAGEMENT AREA**

9 **SEC. 601. DEFINITIONS.**

10 In this title:

11 (1) MANAGEMENT AREA.—The term “Manage-  
12 ment Area” means the Mojave Trails Special Man-  
13 agement Area.

14 (2) MAP.—The term “map” means the map en-  
15 titled “Proposed Mojave Trails Special Management  
16 Area” and dated September 30, 2015.

17 (3) ENERGY TRANSPORT FACILITY.—

18 (A) IN GENERAL.—The term “energy  
19 transport facility” means any facility used for  
20 the operation, maintenance, transmission, dis-  
21 tribution, or transportation of electricity or nat-  
22 ural gas.

23 (B) INCLUSIONS.—The term “energy  
24 transport facility” includes—

1 (i) electric and gas transmission and  
2 distribution facilities;

3 (ii) telecommunications facilities; and

4 (iii) appurtenant equipment owned or  
5 used by a public or municipal utility com-  
6 pany or water district.

7 (4) MECHANIZED VEHICLE.—The term “mecha-  
8 nized vehicle” means a motorized or mechanized ve-  
9 hicle or equipment used by a public or municipal  
10 utility company or water district to construct, oper-  
11 ate, maintain, repair, or upgrade electricity, natural  
12 gas, telecommunications, or water infrastructure.

13 (5) PUBLIC-UTILITY COMPANY.—The term  
14 “public-utility company” has the meaning given the  
15 term in section 1262 of the Public Utility Holding  
16 Company Act of 2005 (42 U.S.C. 16451).

17 (6) PUBLIC LANDS.—The term “public lands”  
18 has the meaning given that term in section 103 of  
19 the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of  
20 1976 (43 U.S.C. 1702).

21 (7) SECRETARY.—The term “Secretary” means  
22 the Secretary of the Interior.

23 **SEC. 602. MOJAVE TRAILS SPECIAL MANAGEMENT AREA.**

24 (a) ESTABLISHMENT.—There is established the Mo-  
25 jave Trails Special Management Area in the State of Cali-

1 fornia, to be managed by the Barstow Field Office and  
2 the Needles Field Office of the Bureau of Land Manage-  
3 ment.

4 (b) PURPOSE.—The purpose of the Management  
5 Area is—

6 (1) to preserve and maintain the nationally sig-  
7 nificant biological, cultural, recreational, geological,  
8 educational, historic, scenic, and scientific values—

9 (A) in the Central and Eastern Mojave  
10 Desert; and

11 (B) along historic Route 66; and

12 (2) to secure the opportunity for present and  
13 future generations to experience and enjoy the mag-  
14 nificent vistas, wildlife, land forms, and natural and  
15 cultural resources of the Management Area; and

16 (3) to provide public recreational use of the  
17 Management Area, including motorized vehicle use  
18 on designated roads and trails; and

19 (4) to provide access to mineral resources for  
20 mining and economic development.

21 (c) BOUNDARIES.—The Management Area shall con-  
22 sist of the public lands in San Bernardino County, Cali-  
23 fornia, comprising approximately 965,000 acres, as gen-  
24 erally depicted on the map.

25 (d) MAP; LEGAL DESCRIPTION.—

1           (1) IN GENERAL.—As soon as practicable, but  
2 not later than three years, after the date of enact-  
3 ment of this Act, the Secretary shall submit a map  
4 and legal description of the Management Area to—

5                   (A) the Committee on Natural Resources  
6 of the House of Representatives; and

7                   (B) the Committee on Energy and Natural  
8 Resources of the Senate.

9           (2) EFFECT.—The map and legal description  
10 submitted under paragraph (1) shall have the same  
11 force and effect as if included in this Act, except  
12 that the Secretary may correct any errors in the  
13 map and legal description.

14           (3) AVAILABILITY.—Copies of the map sub-  
15 mitted under paragraph (1) shall be on file and  
16 available for public inspection in—

17                   (A) the Office of the Director of the Bu-  
18 reau of Land Management; and

19                   (B) the appropriate office of the Bureau of  
20 Land Management in the State of California.

21 **SEC. 603. MANAGEMENT.**

22           (a) CERTAIN ACTIVITIES AUTHORIZED.—The Sec-  
23 retary shall allow hiking, camping, hunting, trapping, fish-  
24 ing, and sightseeing and the use of motorized vehicles,

1 mountain bikes, and horses on designated routes in the  
2 Management Area in a manner that—

3 (1) is consistent with the purpose of the Man-  
4 agement Area;

5 (2) ensures public health and safety; and

6 (3) is consistent with applicable law.

7 (b) OFF-HIGHWAY VEHICLE USE.—

8 (1) IN GENERAL.—Except as otherwise pro-  
9 vided in this subsection and subject to all other ap-  
10 plicable laws, the use of off-highway vehicles shall be  
11 permitted on routes in the Management Area gen-  
12 erally depicted on the map.

13 (2) CLOSURE.—Subject to paragraph (3), the  
14 Secretary may temporarily close or permanently re-  
15 route a portion of a route described in paragraph (1)  
16 or opened pursuant to paragraph (4)—

17 (A) to prevent, or allow for restoration of,  
18 resource damage;

19 (B) to protect tribal cultural resources, in-  
20 cluding the resources identified in the tribal cul-  
21 tural resources management survey conducted  
22 under subsection (g);

23 (C) to address public safety concerns; or

24 (D) as otherwise required by law.

1           (3) NO NET LOSS.—Except in the case of the  
2 temporary closure of a route due to an emergency,  
3 before any routes described in paragraph (1) are  
4 closed, the Secretary should open new routes pursu-  
5 ant to paragraph (4) to ensure that there is no net  
6 loss in the total mileage of open routes in the Man-  
7 agement Area available for off-highway vehicle use.

8           (4) DESIGNATION OF ADDITIONAL ROUTES.—  
9 During the three-year period beginning on the date  
10 of enactment of this Act, the Secretary—

11           (A) shall accept petitions from the public  
12 regarding additional routes for off-highway ve-  
13 hicles in the Management Area; and

14           (B) may designate additional routes that  
15 the Secretary determines—

16           (i) would provide significant or unique  
17 recreational opportunities; and

18           (ii) are consistent with the purposes  
19 of the Management Area.

20           (c) MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING WITH CALI-  
21 FORNIA DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND WILDLIFE.—Not  
22 later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of  
23 this Act, the Secretary shall enter into a memorandum  
24 of understanding with the California Department of Fish  
25 and Wildlife to permit operationally feasible, ongoing ac-

1 cess to the Management Area for the placement and main-  
2 tenance of water development projects as considered nec-  
3 essary for wildlife conservation.

4 (d) HUNTING, TRAPPING, AND FISHING.—

5 (1) IN GENERAL.—Except as provided in para-  
6 graph (2), the Secretary shall permit hunting, trap-  
7 ping, and fishing within the Management Area in  
8 accordance with applicable Federal and State laws  
9 (including regulations).

10 (2) TRAPPING.—No amphibians or reptiles may  
11 be collected within the Management Area, except  
12 for—

13 (A) scientific purposes;

14 (B) the removal of an invasive species; or

15 (C) identification/medical purposes in re-  
16 sponse to a snakebite.

17 (3) REGULATIONS.—The Secretary, after con-  
18 sultation with the California Department of Fish  
19 and Wildlife, may designate zones in which, and es-  
20 tablish periods during which, hunting, trapping, and  
21 fishing shall not be allowed in the Management Area  
22 for reasons of public safety, administration, resource  
23 protection, or public use and enjoyment.

24 (e) GRAZING.—

1           (1) IN GENERAL.—Nothing in this title termi-  
2 nates any valid existing grazing permit within the  
3 Management Area.

4           (2) EFFECT ON BLAIR PERMIT.—Nothing in  
5 this title affects the Lazy Daisy grazing permit (per-  
6 mittee number 9076) on land included in the Man-  
7 agement Area including the transfer of title to the  
8 grazing permit to the Secretary or to a private  
9 party.

10          (3) PERMIT RETIREMENT.—The Secretary may  
11 acquire base property and associated grazing per-  
12 mits within the Management Area for purposes of  
13 permanently retiring the permit if—

14           (A) the permittee is a willing seller;

15           (B) the permittee and Secretary reach an  
16 agreement concerning the terms and conditions  
17 of the acquisition; and

18           (C) termination of the allotment would fur-  
19 ther the purposes of the Management Area de-  
20 scribed in section 602(b).

21 (f) NEW MINING.—

22          (1) OPEN TO MINING.—The Management Area  
23 will remain—

24           (A) open to location, entry, and patent  
25 under the public mining laws; and

1 (B) subject to the mineral leasing and min-  
2 eral materials laws.

3 (2) LIMITATIONS.—New mining will not be per-  
4 mitted on—

5 (A) any land within the Management Area  
6 donated to the United States for conservation  
7 purposes since January 1, 1995; or

8 (B) more than 10 percent of the total acre-  
9 age of the Management Area.

10 (g) ACCESS TO STATE AND PRIVATE LAND.—

11 (1) ACCESS.—The Secretary shall provide ade-  
12 quate access to each owner of non-Federal land or  
13 interests in non-Federal land within the boundary of  
14 the Management Area to ensure the reasonable  
15 maintenance, use, and enjoyment of the land or in-  
16 terest by the owner.

17 (2) SURVEY OF EXISTING MOTORIZED ACCESS  
18 ROUTES.—Not later than two years after enactment  
19 of this title, the Secretary shall consult with the  
20 owners of all non-Federal land within the boundary  
21 of the Monument to inventory all existing motorized  
22 access routes to private parcels existing as of the  
23 date of enactment of this title.

1           (3) PROHIBITION ON CLOSING MOTORIZED AC-  
2           CESS ROUTES.—The Secretary shall not close or  
3           deny use of any routes inventoried in paragraph (2).

4           (4) PUBLIC SAFETY EXCEPTION.—Subject to  
5           paragraph (5), the Secretary may temporarily or  
6           permanently reroute a portion of a route inventoried  
7           in paragraph (2) to address public safety concerns.

8           (5) NO LET LOSS OF ACCESS.—Except in the  
9           case of temporary closure of a route due to an emer-  
10          gency, before any route inventoried in paragraph (2)  
11          is closed, the Secretary must open a new motorized  
12          access route to private parcels impacted by the clo-  
13          sure.

14          (h) LIMITATIONS ON COMMERCIAL ENTERPRISES.—

15           (1) IN GENERAL.—Except as provided in para-  
16           graphs (2) and (3), or as required for the customary  
17           operation, maintenance, upgrade, expansion, or de-  
18           velopment of energy transport facilities within cor-  
19           ridors or rights-of-way described in subsection (g),  
20           no commercial enterprises shall be authorized within  
21           the boundary of the Management Area after the  
22           date of enactment of this Act.

23           (2) ADDITIONAL EXCEPTIONS AUTHORIZED BY  
24           SECRETARY.—The Secretary may authorize excep-  
25           tions to paragraph (1) if the Secretary determines

1       that the commercial enterprise would further the  
2       purposes described in section 602(b).

3           (3) EXCEPTIONS.—This subsection does not  
4       apply to the following:

5           (A) Energy transport facilities that are  
6       owned or operated by a utility subject to regula-  
7       tion by the Federal Government or a State gov-  
8       ernment or a State utility with a service obliga-  
9       tion (as those terms may be defined in section  
10      217 of the Federal Power Act (16 U.S.C.  
11      824q)).

12          (B) Mining.

13          (C) Commercial vehicular touring enter-  
14      prises within the Management Area that oper-  
15      ate on designated routes.

16          (D) Holders of permits for commercial en-  
17      terprises, such as touring, wildlife viewing, or  
18      guiding for profit, within the Management  
19      Area, regardless of whether the permit is issued  
20      before, on, or after the date of the enactment  
21      of this Act.

22          (E) Commercial operations that take place  
23      on non-Federal land within the boundary of the  
24      Management Area.

1 (i) RIGHTS-OF-WAY AND ENERGY TRANSPORT FA-  
2 CILITIES.—

3 (1) IN GENERAL.—Subject to paragraph (2),  
4 nothing in this title precludes, prevents, or inhibits  
5 the following activities within rights-of-way or cor-  
6 ridors in existence in the Management Area as of  
7 the date of the enactment of this Act:

8 (A) Use of mechanized vehicles.

9 (B) Customary operation.

10 (C) Maintenance.

11 (D) Construction.

12 (E) Incidental uses.

13 (F) Upgrades or expansion.

14 (G) Relocation within the right-of-way.

15 (H) Replacement.

16 (I) Development of energy transport facili-  
17 ties.

18 (2) LIMITATION.—The activities described in  
19 paragraph (1) shall be conducted in a manner that  
20 minimizes the impact of the activities on Manage-  
21 ment Area resources.

22 (3) RIGHTS-OF-WAY.—The Secretary shall, to  
23 the maximum extent practicable—

24 (A) permit rights-of-way and corridor  
25 alignments that best protect the values and re-

1 sources of the Management Area described in  
2 section 602(b); and

3 (B) ensure that—

4 (i) existing rights-of-way and utility  
5 corridors within the Management Area are  
6 fully utilized before authorizing any new or  
7 expanded utility right-of-way or corridor;  
8 and

9 (ii) no economically, technically, or le-  
10 gally feasible alternative exists outside the  
11 Management Area before authorizing a  
12 new or expanded energy transport facility  
13 right-of-way or corridor within the Man-  
14 agement Area.

15 (4) EFFECT ON EXISTING FACILITIES AND  
16 RIGHTS-OF-WAY.—

17 (A) IN GENERAL.—Nothing in this section  
18 terminates or limits any valid right-of-way with-  
19 in the Management Area in existence as of the  
20 date of enactment of this Act (including the  
21 customary operation, maintenance, repair, relo-  
22 cation within an existing right-of-way, or re-  
23 placement of energy transport facilities within  
24 an existing right-of-way), or other authorized

1 right-of-way, including a right-of-way described  
2 in subparagraph (B).

3 (B) INCLUSIONS.—A right-of-way referred  
4 to in subparagraph (A) includes, but is not lim-  
5 ited to—

6 (i) a right-of-way issued, granted, or  
7 permitted to—

8 (I) the Southern California Edi-  
9 son Company or any predecessors,  
10 successors, or assigns of the Southern  
11 California Edison Company, which are  
12 referred to as of the date of enact-  
13 ment of this Act as Lugo-Mohave, El-  
14 dorado-Lugo, Cima-Eldorado-Pisgah 1  
15 and 2, and Lugo-Pisgah 1 and 2  
16 transmission line rights-of-way, Hec-  
17 tor, Lava, Sheephole, and Danby dis-  
18 tribution circuit rights-of-way, and  
19 any rights-of-way affiliated with the  
20 Camino Substation;

21 (II) the Pacific Gas and Electric  
22 Company or any predecessors, succes-  
23 sors, or assigns of the Pacific Gas and  
24 Electric Company, which are referred

1 to as Gas Transmission Lines 300A,  
2 300B, 311, and 372 rights-of-way;

3 (III) the Southern California Gas  
4 Company or any predecessors, succes-  
5 sors, or assigns of the Southern Cali-  
6 fornia Gas Company, which are re-  
7 ferred to as Gas Transmission Lines  
8 235, 3000, and 6916 rights-of-way;

9 (IV) the Celeron Pipeline Com-  
10 pany and the All American Pipeline  
11 Company by Right-of-Way Grant No.  
12 CA 14013 from the Bureau of Land  
13 Management; and

14 (ii) a right-of-way authorization issued  
15 on the expiration of an existing right-of-  
16 way authorization described in clause (i).

17 (C) PUBLICATION OF PLANS.—Not later  
18 than one year after the date of enactment of  
19 this Act, the Secretary, in consultation with the  
20 Southern California Edison Company, the Pa-  
21 cific Gas and Electric Company, the Southern  
22 California Gas Company, and the Metropolitan  
23 Water District of Southern California, shall  
24 publish plans for regular and emergency access

1 by such utilities to the respective rights-of-way  
2 of those utilities within the Management Area.

3 (5) UPGRADING AND EXPANSION OF EXISTING  
4 RIGHTS-OF-WAY.—Nothing in this subsection pro-  
5 hibits the upgrading (including the construction, re-  
6 location, or replacement within an existing right-of-  
7 way) or expansion of an existing energy transport  
8 facility for the purpose of increasing the trans-  
9 mission capacity of the energy transport facility or  
10 for providing energy storage consistent with require-  
11 ments of the California Public Utilities Commission,  
12 or the Federal or State agency with regulatory au-  
13 thority over those actions, in—

14 (A) existing rights-of-way or corridors  
15 within the Management Area; or

16 (B) a right-of-way issued, granted, or per-  
17 mitted by the Secretary that is contiguous or  
18 adjacent to existing energy transport facility  
19 rights-of-way, including existing Southern Cali-  
20 fornia Edison Company, Pacific Gas and Elec-  
21 tric Company, and Southern California Gas  
22 Company energy transport facility rights-of-  
23 way.

24 (6) INTERSTATE 40 TRANSPORTATION COR-  
25 RIDOR.—For purposes of utility rights-of-way under

1       this subsection, the Secretary shall consider the  
2       Interstate 40 transportation corridor to be equiva-  
3       lent to a utility right-of-way corridor in existence as  
4       of the date of the enactment of this Act.

5               (7) NEW RIGHTS-OF-WAY.—

6               (A) IN GENERAL.—Except as authorized in  
7       subparagraph (B), any new right-of-way within  
8       the Management Area shall—

9                       (i) only be permitted—

10                               (I) in an energy corridor that is  
11                               designated as of the date of enact-  
12                               ment of this Act; or

13                               (II) as an expansion of an energy  
14                               corridor described in subclause (I);  
15                               and

16                               (ii) require compliance with the Na-  
17                               tional Environmental Policy Act of 1969  
18                               (42 U.S.C. 4321 et seq.).

19               (B) APPROVAL.—A new right-of-way, or  
20       expansion of an existing energy corridor, au-  
21       thorized by subparagraph (A) shall only be ap-  
22       proved if the Secretary, in consultation with ap-  
23       plicable Federal and State agencies, determines  
24       that the new right-of-way or expansion of an  
25       existing corridor is consistent with—

- 1 (i) this title;
- 2 (ii) other applicable laws;
- 3 (iii) the purposes of the Management
- 4 Area described in section 602(b); and
- 5 (iv) the management plan for the
- 6 Management Area.

7 (j) OVERFLIGHTS.—Nothing in this title or the man-  
8 agement plan restricts or precludes—

9 (1) overflights (including low-level overflights)  
10 of military, commercial, and general aviation aircraft  
11 that can be seen or heard within the Management  
12 Area;

13 (2) the designation or creation of new units of  
14 special use airspace;

15 (3) the establishment of military flight training  
16 routes over the Management Area; or

17 (4) the use (including takeoff and landing) of  
18 helicopters and other aerial devices to construct or  
19 maintain energy transport facilities.

20 (k) WITHDRAWAL.—Subject to valid existing rights,  
21 all Federal land within the Management Area is with-  
22 drawn from—

23 (1) all forms of entry, appropriation, or disposal  
24 under the public land laws; and

1           (2) right-of-way, leasing, or disposition under  
2           all laws relating to solar, wind, and geothermal en-  
3           ergy.

4           (1) PROHIBITION ON RENEWABLE ENERGY GENERA-  
5           TION FACILITIES.—Development of renewable energy gen-  
6           eration facilities (excluding rights-of-way or facilities for  
7           the transmission of energy and telecommunication facili-  
8           ties and infrastructure) is prohibited within the Manage-  
9           ment Area.

10          (m) NO BUFFERS.—The establishment of the Man-  
11          agement Area shall not—

12           (1) create a protective perimeter or buffer zone  
13           around the Management Area; or

14           (2) restrict, preclude, limit, or prevent uses or  
15           activities outside the Management Area that are per-  
16           mitted under other applicable laws, even if the uses  
17           or activities are prohibited within the Management  
18           Area.

19          (n) NOTICE OF AVAILABLE ROUTES.—The Secretary  
20          shall ensure that visitors to the Management Area have  
21          access to adequate notice relating to the availability of des-  
22          ignated routes in the Management Area through—

23           (1) the placement of appropriate signage along  
24           the designated routes;

1           (2) the distribution of maps, safety education  
2 materials, and other information that the Secretary  
3 determines to be appropriate; and

4           (3) restoration of areas that are not designated  
5 as open routes, including vertical mulching.

6           (o) STEWARDSHIP.—In consultation with Indian  
7 tribes and other interested persons, the Secretary shall de-  
8 velop a program to provide opportunities for monitoring  
9 and stewardship of the Management Area to minimize en-  
10 vironmental impacts and prevent resource damage from  
11 recreational use, including volunteer assistance with—

12           (1) route signage;

13           (2) restoration of closed routes;

14           (3) protection of Management Area resources;

15           and

16           (4) recreation education.

17           (p) PROTECTION OF TRIBAL CULTURAL RE-  
18 SOURCES.—Not later than two years after the date of en-  
19 actment of this Act, the Secretary, in accordance with  
20 chapter 2003 of title 54, United States Code, and any  
21 other applicable law, shall—

22           (1) prepare and complete a tribal cultural re-  
23 sources survey of the Management Area; and

24           (2) consult with the Fort Mojave Indian Tribe,  
25 the Colorado River Indian Tribes, the Chemehuevi

1 Indian Tribe, the San Manuel Band of Serrano Mis-  
2 sion Indians, and other Indian tribes with historic or  
3 cultural ties to land within, or adjacent to, the Man-  
4 agement Area regarding the management of portions  
5 of the Management Area containing sacred sites or  
6 cultural importance to the Indian tribes on the de-  
7 velopment and implementation of the tribal cultural  
8 resources survey under paragraph (1).

9 (q) PROTECTION OF PROPERTY RIGHTS.—

10 (1) NO AFFECT ON NON-FEDERAL LAND.—The  
11 establishment of the Management Area does not af-  
12 fect—

13 (A) any land or interest in land held by the  
14 State of California, political subdivision of the  
15 State, or special district;

16 (B) any private property right (including a  
17 water development right) within or adjacent to  
18 the boundaries of the Management Area;

19 (C) any land, interest in land, or cus-  
20 tomary operation, maintenance, repair, or re-  
21 placement activity carried out on, over, or  
22 under land or within an existing right-of-way in  
23 the Management Area; or

24 (D) access to valid existing water rights  
25 and the operation and maintenance of water

1 conveyance structures associated with the water  
2 rights.

3 (2) NO NEW AUTHORITY.—Nothing in this title  
4 grants to the Secretary any authority on or over  
5 non-Federal land not already provided by law.

6 **SEC. 604. ACQUISITION OF LAND.**

7 (a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary may acquire for in-  
8 elusion in the Management Area any land or interests in  
9 land within the boundary of the Management Area owned  
10 by the State, units of local government, Indian tribes, non-  
11 profit organizations, private individuals, or any other land-  
12 owner only by—

13 (1) donation;

14 (2) exchange with a willing party; or

15 (3) purchase from a willing seller.

16 (b) USE OF EASEMENTS.—To the maximum extent  
17 practicable and only with the approval of the landowner,  
18 the Secretary may use permanent conservation easements  
19 to acquire an interest in land in the Management Area  
20 rather than acquiring fee simple title to the land.

21 (c) INCORPORATION OF ACQUIRED LAND AND INTER-  
22 ESTS IN LAND.—Any land or interest in land within the  
23 boundaries of the Management Area that is acquired by  
24 the United States after the date of enactment of this Act

1 shall be added to and administered as part of the Manage-  
2 ment Area.

3 (d) DONATED AND ACQUIRED LAND.—

4 (1) IN GENERAL.—All land within the boundary  
5 of the Management Area donated to the United  
6 States or acquired using amounts from the land and  
7 water conservation fund established under section  
8 200302 of title 54, United States Code, before, on,  
9 or after the date of enactment of this Act—

10 (A) shall be managed in accordance with  
11 section 603; and

12 (B) shall be managed consistent with the  
13 purposes of the Management Area described in  
14 section 602(b).

15 (2) EFFECT ON MANAGEMENT AREA.—Land  
16 within the boundary of the Management Area that  
17 is contiguous to land donated to the United States  
18 or acquired through purchase or exchange shall be  
19 managed in a manner consistent with conservation  
20 purposes, subject to applicable law.

21 **SEC. 605. RENEWABLE ENERGY RIGHT-OF-WAY APPLICA-**  
22 **TIONS.**

23 (a) IN GENERAL.—Applicants for rights-of-way for  
24 the development of solar energy facilities that have been  
25 terminated by the establishment of the Management Area

1 shall be granted the right of first refusal to apply for re-  
2 placement sites that—

3 (1) have not previously been encumbered by  
4 right-of-way applications; and

5 (2) are located within the Solar Energy Zones  
6 designated by the Solar Energy Programmatic Envi-  
7 ronmental Impact Statement of the Department of  
8 the Interior and the Department of Energy.

9 (b) ELIGIBILITY.—To be eligible for a right of first  
10 refusal under subsection (a), an applicant shall have, on  
11 or before December 1, 2009—

12 (1) submitted an application for a right-of-way  
13 to the Bureau of Land Management;

14 (2) completed a plan of development to develop  
15 a solar energy facility on land within the Manage-  
16 ment Area;

17 (3) submitted cost recovery funds to the Bu-  
18 reau of Land Management to assist with the costs  
19 of processing the right-of-way application;

20 (4) successfully submitted an application for an  
21 interconnection agreement with an electrical grid op-  
22 erator that is registered with the North American  
23 Electric Reliability Corporation; and

24 (5)(A) secured a power purchase agreement; or

1 (B) a financially and technically viable solar en-  
2 ergy facility project, as determined by the Director  
3 of the Bureau of Land Management.

4 (c) EQUIVALENT ENERGY PRODUCTION.—Each  
5 right-of-way for a replacement site granted under this sec-  
6 tion shall—

7 (1) authorize the same energy production at the  
8 replacement site as had been applied for at the site  
9 that had been the subject of the terminated applica-  
10 tion; and

11 (2) have—

12 (A) appropriate solar insolation and  
13 geotechnical attributes; and

14 (B) adequate access to existing trans-  
15 mission or feasible new transmission.

16 (d) EXISTING RIGHTS-OF-WAY APPLICATIONS.—  
17 Nothing in this section alters, affects, or displaces primary  
18 rights-of-way applications within the Solar Energy Study  
19 Areas unless the applications are otherwise altered, af-  
20 fected, or displaced as a result of the Solar Energy Pro-  
21 grammatic Environmental Impact Statement of the De-  
22 partment of the Interior and the Department of Energy.

23 (e) DEADLINES.—A right of first refusal granted  
24 under this section shall only be exercisable by the date  
25 that is 180 days after the date of enactment of this Act.

1 (f) EXPEDITED APPLICATION PROCESSING.—The  
2 Secretary shall expedite the review of replacement site ap-  
3 plications from eligible applicants, as described in sub-  
4 section (b).

5 **SEC. 606. EXPEDITED ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW PROCESS**  
6 **TO FACILITATE ROUTE 66 BRIDGE REPAIR**  
7 **AND REPLACEMENT WITHIN MANAGEMENT**  
8 **AREA.**

9 (a) PROGRAMMATIC ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW  
10 PROCESS.—Consistent with section 139 of title 23, United  
11 States Code, the Secretary of Transportation shall author-  
12 ize the use of a single programmatic environmental review  
13 process to cover all repair or replacement projects pro-  
14 posed for bridges of Route 66, also known as National  
15 Trails Highway, located within the Management Area.

16 (b) PRESERVATION OF PARKLANDS, REFUGES, AND  
17 HISTORIC SITES.—Section 138 of title 23, United States  
18 Code, and section 303 of title 49, United States Code,  
19 shall not apply to the bridge repair and replacement  
20 projects described in subsection (a).

21 (c) ENDANGERED SPECIES ACT.—The bridge repair  
22 and replacement projects described in subsection (a) are  
23 exempt from the biological survey and consultation re-  
24 quirements of the Endangered Species Act of 1973 (16  
25 U.S.C. 1531 et seq.).

1 (d) NATIONAL HISTORIC PRESERVATION REVIEW.—  
2 Section 306108 of title 54, United States Code, shall not  
3 apply to the bridge repair and replacement projects de-  
4 scribed in subsection (a).

5 (e) FEDERAL ACTIONS TO ADDRESS ENVIRON-  
6 MENTAL JUSTICE.—Executive Order No. 12898 (59 Fed-  
7 eral Register 7629; 42 U.S.C. 4321 note), as amended by  
8 Executive Order No. 12948 (60 Federal Register 6381),  
9 shall not apply to the bridge repair and replacement  
10 projects described in subsection (a).

## 11 TITLE VII—SAND TO SNOW 12 NATIONAL MONUMENT

### 13 SEC. 701. DEFINITIONS.

14 In this title:

15 (1) ENERGY TRANSPORT FACILITY.—

16 (A) IN GENERAL.—The term “energy  
17 transport facility” means any facility used for  
18 the operation, maintenance, transmission, dis-  
19 tribution, or transportation of electricity or nat-  
20 ural gas.

21 (B) INCLUSIONS.—The term “energy  
22 transport facility” includes—

23 (i) electric and gas transmission and  
24 distribution facilities;

25 (ii) telecommunications facilities; and

1 (iii) appurtenant equipment owned or  
2 used by a public or municipal utility com-  
3 pany or water district.

4 (2) MAP.—The term “map” means the map en-  
5 titled “Proposed Sand to Snow National Monument”  
6 and dated August 4, 2015.

7 (3) MECHANIZED VEHICLE.—The term “mecha-  
8 nized vehicle” means a motorized or mechanized ve-  
9 hicle or equipment used by a public or municipal  
10 utility company or water district to construct, oper-  
11 ate, maintain, repair, or upgrade electricity, natural  
12 gas, telecommunications, or water infrastructure.

13 (4) MONUMENT.—The term “Monument”  
14 means the Sand to Snow National Monument estab-  
15 lished by section 702(a).

16 (5) PUBLIC-UTILITY COMPANY.—The term  
17 “public-utility company” has the meaning given the  
18 term in section 1262 of the Public Utility Holding  
19 Company Act of 2005 (42 U.S.C. 16451).

20 (6) SECRETARIES.—The term “Secretaries”  
21 means the Secretary of the Interior and the Sec-  
22 retary of Agriculture, acting jointly.

23 **SEC. 702. SAND TO SNOW NATIONAL MONUMENT.**

24 (a) ESTABLISHMENT.—There is established in the  
25 State of California the Sand to Snow National Monument.

1 (b) PURPOSES.—The purposes of the Monument  
2 are—

3 (1) to preserve the nationally significant biologi-  
4 cal, cultural, educational, geological, historic, scenic,  
5 and recreational values at the convergence of the  
6 Mojave and Colorado Desert and the San  
7 Bernardino Mountains; and

8 (2) to secure the opportunity for present and  
9 future generations to experience and enjoy the mag-  
10 nificent vistas, wildlife, land forms, and natural and  
11 cultural resources of the Monument.

12 (c) BOUNDARIES.—

13 (1) IN GENERAL.—The Monument shall consist  
14 of the Federal land and Federal interests in land  
15 within the boundaries depicted on the map.

16 (2) DISTANCE FROM STATE HIGHWAYS.—In ac-  
17 cordance with the policy of the Bureau of Land  
18 Management, the boundaries of the Monument shall  
19 be set back not less than 300 feet from all State  
20 highways.

21 (d) MAP; LEGAL DESCRIPTIONS.—

22 (1) LEGAL DESCRIPTION.—As soon as prac-  
23 ticable after the date of enactment of this Act, the  
24 Secretaries shall submit to the Committee on Nat-  
25 ural Resources of the House of Representatives and

1 the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources of  
2 the Senate legal descriptions of the Monument,  
3 based on the map.

4 (2) CORRECTIONS.—The map and legal descrip-  
5 tions of the Monument shall have the same force  
6 and effect as if included in this title, except that the  
7 Secretaries may correct clerical and typographical  
8 errors in the map and legal descriptions.

9 (3) AVAILABILITY OF MAP.—The map shall be  
10 on file and available for public inspection in appro-  
11 priate offices of the Bureau of Land Management.

12 **SEC. 703. MANAGEMENT OF MONUMENT.**

13 (a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretaries shall—

14 (1) only allow uses of the Monument that—

15 (A) further the purposes described in sec-  
16 tion 702(b);

17 (B) are included in the management plan  
18 developed under subsection (g); and

19 (C) do not interfere with the energy trans-  
20 port facility rights-of-way authorized under sec-  
21 tion 704(e); and

22 (2) subject to valid existing rights, manage the  
23 Monument to protect the resources of the Monu-  
24 ment, in accordance with—

25 (A) this title;

1 (B) the Federal Land Policy and Manage-  
2 ment Act of 1976 (43 U.S.C. 1701 et seq.); and

3 (C) any other applicable provisions of law.

4 (b) COOPERATION AGREEMENTS.—

5 (1) GENERAL AUTHORITY.—Consistent with the  
6 management plan and authorities applicable to the  
7 Monument, the Secretaries may enter into coopera-  
8 tive agreements (including special use permits with  
9 any person (including educational institutions and  
10 Indian tribes)), for the purposes of interpreting, re-  
11 searching, and providing education on the resources  
12 of the Monument.

13 (2) MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING WITH  
14 CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND WILD-  
15 LIFE.—Not later than 180 days after the date of the  
16 enactment of this Act, the Secretaries shall enter  
17 into a memorandum of understanding with the Cali-  
18 fornia Department of Fish and Wildlife to permit  
19 operationally feasible, ongoing access to the Monu-  
20 ment for the placement and maintenance of water  
21 development projects as considered necessary for  
22 wildlife conservation.

23 (c) ADMINISTRATION OF SUBSEQUENTLY ACQUIRED  
24 LAND.—Any land or interest in land within the bound-  
25 aries of the Monument that is acquired by the Secretaries

1 after the date of enactment of this Act shall be managed  
2 by the Secretary concerned in accordance with this title.

3 (d) LIMITATIONS.—

4 (1) PROPERTY RIGHTS.—

5 (A) IN GENERAL.—The establishment of  
6 the Monument does not—

7 (i) affect—

8 (I) any land or interest in land  
9 held by the State, political subdivision  
10 of the State, or special district;

11 (II) any private property right  
12 (including a water development right)  
13 within the boundaries of the Monu-  
14 ment;

15 (III) any land, interest in land,  
16 or customary operation, maintenance,  
17 repair, or replacement activity carried  
18 out on, over, or under land or within  
19 a right-of-way granted to, owned by,  
20 or controlled by the Metropolitan  
21 Water District or the Southern Cali-  
22 fornia Edison Company pursuant to  
23 law or legal right (including the Act  
24 of June 18, 1932 (47 Stat. 324, chap-  
25 ter 270)) included in the Monument

1 and conducted in a manner that mini-  
2 mizes the impact on the resources of  
3 the Monument; or

4 (IV) access to valid existing  
5 water rights and the operation and  
6 maintenance of water conveyance  
7 structures associated with the water  
8 rights; or

9 (ii) grant to the Secretaries any au-  
10 thority on or over non-Federal land not al-  
11 ready provided by law.

12 (B) PLANS.—Not later than one year after  
13 the date of enactment of this Act, the Secre-  
14 taries, in consultation with the district and  
15 company referred to in subparagraph (A)(i)(III)  
16 shall publish plans for regular and emergency  
17 access to the land and rights-of-way owned or  
18 controlled by the company or district.

19 (2) AUTHORITY.—The authority of the Secre-  
20 taries under this title extends only to Federal land  
21 and Federal interests in land included in the Monu-  
22 ment.

23 (e) ADJACENT MANAGEMENT.—

1           (1) IN GENERAL.—Nothing in this title creates  
2           any protective perimeter or buffer zone around the  
3           Monument.

4           (2) ACTIVITIES OUTSIDE MONUMENT.—The  
5           fact that an activity or use on land outside the  
6           Monument can be seen or heard within the Monu-  
7           ment shall not preclude the activity or use outside  
8           the boundary of the Monument.

9           (3) NO ADDITIONAL REGULATION.—Nothing in  
10          this title requires additional regulation of activities  
11          on land outside the boundary of the Monument.

12          (f) AIR AND WATER QUALITY.—Nothing in this title  
13          affects the standards governing air or water quality out-  
14          side the boundary of the Monument.

15          (g) MANAGEMENT PLAN.—

16                (1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretaries shall—

17                    (A) not later than three years after the  
18                    date of enactment of this Act, complete a man-  
19                    agement plan for the conservation and protec-  
20                    tion of the Monument; and

21                    (B) on completion of the management  
22                    plan—

23                        (i) submit the management plan to—

1 (I) the Committee on Natural  
2 Resources of the House of Represent-  
3 atives; and

4 (II) the Committee on Energy  
5 and Natural Resources of the Senate;  
6 and

7 (ii) make the management plan avail-  
8 able to the public.

9 (2) INCLUSIONS.—The management plan shall  
10 include provisions that—

11 (A) provide for the conservation and pro-  
12 tection of the Monument;

13 (B) authorize the continued recreational  
14 uses of the Monument (including hiking, camp-  
15 ing, hunting, mountain biking, sightseeing, off-  
16 highway vehicle recreation on designated routes,  
17 rockhounding, sport shooting, and horseback  
18 riding), if the recreational uses are consistent  
19 with this title and any other applicable law;

20 (C) address the designation and mainte-  
21 nance of roads, trails, and paths in the Monu-  
22 ment and take into consideration—

23 (i) connecting trails within the Monu-  
24 ment to trails on other adjacent public  
25 land; and

1 (ii) establishing a trailhead at Cabot's  
2 Pueblo in the city of Desert Hot Springs,  
3 California;

4 (D) address regional fire management  
5 planning and coordination between the Director  
6 of the Bureau of Land Management, the Chief  
7 of the Forest Service, Riverside County, and  
8 San Bernardino County;

9 (E) address the establishment of a visitor  
10 center to serve the Monument and adjacent  
11 public land;

12 (F) provide for the maintenance of and ac-  
13 cess to energy transport facilities and rights-of-  
14 way within the Monument; and

15 (G) provide for the maintenance of and ac-  
16 cess to existing water conveyance systems and  
17 rights-of-way within the Monument.

18 (3) PREPARATION AND IMPLEMENTATION.—

19 (A) APPLICABLE LAW.—The Secretaries  
20 shall prepare and implement the management  
21 plan in accordance with the National Environ-  
22 mental Policy Act of 1969 (42 U.S.C. 4321 et  
23 seq.) and any other applicable laws.

1 (B) CONSULTATION.—In preparing and  
2 implementing the management plan, the Secre-  
3 taries shall periodically consult with—

4 (i) the advisory committee established  
5 under section 706;

6 (ii) interested private property owners  
7 and holders of valid rights located within  
8 the boundaries of the Monument; and

9 (iii) representatives of the San Manuel  
10 Band of Serrano Mission Indians, the  
11 Morongo Band of Mission Indians, and  
12 other Indian tribes with historic or cultural  
13 ties to land within, or adjacent to, the  
14 Monument regarding the management of  
15 portions of the Monument that are of cul-  
16 tural importance to the Indian tribes.

17 (4) INTERIM MANAGEMENT.—Except as other-  
18 wise prohibited by this Act, pending completion of  
19 the management plan for the Monument, the Secre-  
20 taries shall manage any Federal land and Federal  
21 interests in land within the boundary of the Monu-  
22 ment—

23 (A) in accordance with section 1.6D of the  
24 Bureau of Land Management manual num-  
25 bered 6220, dated July 13, 2012, and entitled

1           “National Monuments, National Conservation  
2           Areas, and Similar Designations”; and

3                   (B) consistent with the purposes of the  
4           Monument described in section 702(b).

5 **SEC. 704. USES OF MONUMENT.**

6       (a) **USE OF OFF-HIGHWAY MOTORIZED VEHICLES.**—

7           (1) **IN GENERAL.**—Except as necessary for ad-  
8       ministrative purposes or to respond to an emer-  
9       gency, the use of off-highway motorized vehicles in  
10      the Monument (including the use of off-highway mo-  
11      torized vehicles for commercial touring) shall be per-  
12      mitted only on designated routes, subject to all ap-  
13      plicable law and as authorized by the management  
14      plan.

15          (2) **INVENTORY.**—Not later than two years  
16      after the date of enactment of this Act, the Director  
17      of the Bureau of Land Management shall—

18                  (A) complete an inventory of all existing  
19                  routes in the Monument; and

20                  (B) designate routes concurrently with the  
21                  completion of the management plan.

22      (b) **HUNTING, TRAPPING, AND FISHING.**—

23                  (1) **IN GENERAL.**—Except as provided in para-  
24      graph (2), the Secretaries shall permit hunting,  
25      trapping, and fishing within the Monument in ac-

1 cordance with applicable Federal and State laws (in-  
2 cluding regulations) as of the date of enactment of  
3 this Act.

4 (2) TRAPPING.—No amphibians or reptiles may  
5 be collected within the Monument, except for—

6 (A) scientific purposes;

7 (B) the removal of an invasive species; or

8 (C) identification/medical purposes in re-  
9 sponse to a snakebite.

10 (3) REGULATIONS.—The Secretaries, after con-  
11 sultation with the California Department of Fish  
12 and Wildlife, may designate zones in which, and es-  
13 tablish periods during which, hunting, trapping, and  
14 fishing shall not be allowed in the Monument for  
15 reasons of public safety, administration, resource  
16 protection, or public use and enjoyment.

17 (c) ACCESS TO STATE AND PRIVATE LAND.—

18 (1) ACCESS.—The Secretaries shall provide ac-  
19 cess to each owner of non-Federal land or interests  
20 in non-Federal land within the boundary of the  
21 Monument to ensure the reasonable maintenance,  
22 use, and enjoyment of the land or interest by the  
23 owner.

24 (2) SURVEY OF EXISTING MOTORIZED ACCESS  
25 ROUTES.—Not later than two years after enactment

1 of this Act, the Secretaries shall consult with the  
2 owners of all non-Federal land within the boundary  
3 of the Monument to inventory all existing motorized  
4 access routes to private parcels existing as of the  
5 date of enactment of this Act.

6 (3) PROHIBITION ON CLOSING MOTORIZED AC-  
7 CESS ROUTES.—The Secretaries shall not close, re-  
8 strict, or deny use of any routes inventoried in para-  
9 graph (2).

10 (4) PUBLIC SAFETY EXCEPTION.—Subject to  
11 paragraph (5), the Secretaries may temporarily or  
12 permanently reroute a portion of a route inventoried  
13 in paragraph (2) to address public safety concerns.

14 (5) NO NET LOSS OF ACCESS.—Except in the  
15 case of temporary closure of a route due to an emer-  
16 gency, before any route inventoried in paragraph (2)  
17 is closed, the Secretaries must open a new motorized  
18 access route to private parcels impacted by the clo-  
19 sure.

20 (d) LIMITATIONS.—

21 (1) COMMERCIAL ENTERPRISES.—Except as  
22 provided in paragraphs (2) and (3), or as required  
23 for the customary operation, maintenance, upgrade,  
24 expansion, or development of energy transport facili-  
25 ties within the rights-of-way described in subsection

1 (e), no commercial enterprises shall be authorized  
2 within the boundary of the Monument after the date  
3 of enactment of this Act.

4 (2) AUTHORIZED EXCEPTIONS.—The Secre-  
5 taries may authorize exceptions to paragraph (1) if  
6 the Secretaries determine that the commercial enter-  
7 prises would further the purposes described in sec-  
8 tion 702(b).

9 (3) APPLICATION.—This subsection does not  
10 apply to the following:

11 (A) Energy transport facilities that are  
12 owned or operated by a utility subject to regula-  
13 tion by the Federal Government or a State gov-  
14 ernment or a State utility with a service obliga-  
15 tion (as those terms are defined in section 217  
16 of the Federal Power Act (16 U.S.C. 824q)).

17 (B) Commercial vehicular touring enter-  
18 prises within the Monument that operate on  
19 designated routes.

20 (C) Holders of permits for commercial en-  
21 terprises, such as touring, wildlife viewing, or  
22 guiding for profit, within the Monument, re-  
23 gardless of whether the permit is issued before,  
24 on, or after the date of the enactment of this  
25 Act.

1           (D) Commercial operations that take place  
2           on non-Federal land within the boundary of the  
3           Monument.

4           (e) ENERGY TRANSPORT FACILITIES AND RIGHTS-  
5 OF-WAY.—

6           (1) IN GENERAL.—Subject to paragraph (2),  
7           nothing in this Act precludes, prevents, or inhibits  
8           the use of mechanized vehicles or customary oper-  
9           ation, maintenance, upgrade, expansion, relocation  
10          within an existing right-of-way, replacement, or de-  
11          velopment of energy transport facilities within exist-  
12          ing rights-of-way located in the Monument.

13          (2) LIMITATION.—The activities described in  
14          paragraph (1) shall be conducted in a manner that  
15          minimizes the impact of the activities on Monument  
16          resources.

17          (3) RIGHTS-OF-WAY.—The Secretaries shall, to  
18          the maximum extent practicable—

19                (A) permit rights-of-way that best protect  
20                the values and resources of the Monument de-  
21                scribed in section 702(b); and

22                (B) ensure that—

23                       (i) existing rights-of-way within the  
24                       Monument are fully utilized before author-

1           izing any new or expanded utility right-of-  
2           way; and

3                   (ii) no economically, technically, or le-  
4                   gally feasible alternative exists outside the  
5                   Monument before authorizing a new or ex-  
6                   panded energy transport facility right-of-  
7                   way within the Monument.

8           (4) EFFECT ON EXISTING FACILITIES AND  
9           RIGHTS-OF-WAY.—

10                   (A) IN GENERAL.—Nothing in this section  
11                   terminates or limits any valid right-of-way with-  
12                   in the Monument in existence on the date of en-  
13                   actment of this Act (including the customary  
14                   operation, maintenance, repair, relocation with-  
15                   in an existing right-of-way, or replacement of  
16                   energy transport facilities within an existing  
17                   right-of-way), or other authorized right-of-way,  
18                   including a right-of-way described in subpara-  
19                   graph (B).

20                   (B) INCLUSIONS.—A right-of-way referred  
21                   to in subparagraph (A) includes—

22                           (i) a right-of-way issued, granted, or  
23                           permitted to the Southern California Edi-  
24                           son Company or any predecessors, succes-  
25                           sors, or assigns of the Southern California

1 Edison Company, which are referred to as  
2 the Devers-Hi Desert-Terawind-Yucca  
3 transmission line rights-of-way and  
4 Coachella, Skyborne, and Toll distribution  
5 circuit rights-of-way; and

6 (ii) a right-of-way authorization issued  
7 on the expiration of an existing right-of-  
8 way authorization described in clause (i).

9 (C) PUBLICATION OF PLANS.—Not later  
10 than one year after the date of enactment of  
11 this Act, the Secretaries, in consultation with  
12 the Southern California Edison Company, shall  
13 publish plans for regular and emergency access  
14 by the Southern California Edison Company to  
15 the rights-of-way of the Southern California  
16 Edison Company within the Monument.

17 (5) UPGRADING AND EXPANSION OF EXISTING  
18 RIGHTS-OF-WAY.—Nothing in this subsection pro-  
19 hibits the upgrading (including the construction, re-  
20 location, or replacement within an existing right-of-  
21 way) or expansion of an existing energy transport  
22 facility for the purpose of increasing the trans-  
23 mission capacity of the energy transport facility or  
24 for providing energy storage consistent with the re-

1       quirements of the California Public Utilities Com-  
2       mission in—

3               (A) existing rights-of-way within the  
4       Monument; or

5               (B) a right-of-way issued, granted, or per-  
6       mitted by the Secretaries that is contiguous or  
7       adjacent to existing energy transport facility  
8       rights-of-way, including existing Southern Cali-  
9       fornia Edison Sand to Snow energy transport  
10      facility rights-of-way.

11      (6) NEW RIGHTS-OF-WAY AND NEW USES.—

12              (A) IN GENERAL.—Except as authorized in  
13      subparagraph (B), any new rights-of-way or  
14      new uses within existing rights-of-way shall re-  
15      quire compliance with the National Environ-  
16      mental Policy Act of 1969 (42 U.S.C. 4321 et  
17      seq.).

18              (B) APPROVAL.—New rights-of-way shall  
19      only be approved if the Secretaries, in consulta-  
20      tion with applicable Federal and State agencies,  
21      determine that the new rights-of-way are con-  
22      sistent with—

23                      (i) this title;

24                      (ii) other applicable laws;

1 (iii) the purposes of the Monument  
2 described in section 702(b); and

3 (iv) the management plan for the  
4 Monument.

5 (f) OVERFLIGHTS.—Nothing in this title or the man-  
6 agement plan restricts or precludes—

7 (1) overflights (including low-level overflights)  
8 of military, commercial, and general aviation aircraft  
9 that can be seen or heard within the Monument;

10 (2) the designation or creation of new units of  
11 special use airspace;

12 (3) the establishment of military flight training  
13 routes over the Monument; or

14 (4) the use (including takeoff and landing) of  
15 helicopters and other aerial devices to construct or  
16 maintain energy transport facilities.

17 (g) WITHDRAWALS.—

18 (1) IN GENERAL.—Subject to this Act and valid  
19 existing rights and except as provided in paragraph  
20 (2), the Federal land and interests in Federal land  
21 included within the Monument are withdrawn  
22 from—

23 (A) all forms of entry, appropriation, or  
24 disposal under the public land laws;

1 (B) location, entry, and patent under the  
2 public land mining laws; and

3 (C) operation of the mineral leasing, geo-  
4 thermal leasing, and mineral materials laws.

5 (2) EXCHANGE.—Paragraph (1) does not apply  
6 to an exchange that the Secretaries determine would  
7 further the protective purposes of the Monument.

8 (h) PROHIBITION ON RENEWABLE ENERGY GENERA-  
9 TION FACILITIES.—Development of renewable energy gen-  
10 eration facilities (excluding rights-of-way or facilities for  
11 the transmission of energy and telecommunication facili-  
12 ties and infrastructure) is prohibited within the Monu-  
13 ment.

14 (i) ACCESS TO RENEWABLE ENERGY AND ENERGY  
15 TRANSPORT FACILITIES.—

16 (1) IN GENERAL.—On a determination by the  
17 Secretaries that no reasonable alternative access ex-  
18 ists and subject to paragraph (2), the Secretaries  
19 may allow new rights-of-way within the Monument  
20 to provide reasonable vehicular access to renewable  
21 energy project sites and appurtenant energy trans-  
22 port facilities outside the boundaries of the Monu-  
23 ment.

24 (2) RESTRICTIONS.—To the maximum extent  
25 practicable, the rights-of-way shall be designed and

1 sited to be consistent with the purposes of the  
2 Monument described in section 702(b).

3 **SEC. 705. ACQUISITION OF LAND.**

4 (a) **IN GENERAL.**—The Secretaries may acquire for  
5 inclusion in the Monument any land or interests in land  
6 within the boundary of the Monument owned by the State,  
7 units of local government, Indian tribes, nonprofit organi-  
8 zations, private individuals, or any other landowner only  
9 by—

10 (1) donation;

11 (2) exchange with a willing party; or

12 (3) purchase from a willing seller.

13 (b) **USE OF EASEMENTS.**—To the maximum extent  
14 practicable and only with the approval of the landowner,  
15 the Secretaries may use permanent conservation ease-  
16 ments to acquire an interest in land in the Monument  
17 rather than acquiring fee simple title to the land.

18 (c) **INCORPORATION OF ACQUIRED LAND AND INTER-**  
19 **ESTS IN LAND.**—Any land or interest in land within the  
20 boundaries of the Monument that is acquired by the  
21 United States after the date of enactment of this Act shall  
22 be added to and administered as part of the Monument.

23 (d) **DONATED AND ACQUIRED LAND.**—

24 (1) **IN GENERAL.**—All land within the boundary  
25 of the Monument donated to the United States or

1       acquired using amounts from the land and water  
2       conservation fund established under section 200302  
3       of title 54, United States Code, before, on, or after  
4       the date of enactment of this Act—

5               (A) is withdrawn from mineral entry; and

6               (B) shall be managed in accordance with  
7       sections 703 and 704 consistent with the pur-  
8       poses of the Monument described in section  
9       702(b).

10       (2) EFFECT ON MONUMENT.—Land within the  
11       boundary of the Monument that is contiguous to  
12       land donated to the United States or acquired  
13       through purchase or exchange shall be managed in  
14       a manner consistent with conservation purposes,  
15       subject to applicable law.

16       **SEC. 706. ADVISORY COMMITTEE.**

17       (a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretaries shall establish an  
18       advisory committee for the Monument, the purpose of  
19       which is to advise the Secretaries with respect to the prep-  
20       aration and implementation of the management plan re-  
21       quired by section 703(g).

22       (b) MEMBERSHIP.—To the maximum extent prac-  
23       ticable, the advisory committee shall include the following  
24       members, to be appointed by the Secretaries:

1 (1) A representative with expertise in natural  
2 science and research selected from a regional institu-  
3 tion of higher education or research.

4 (2) A representative of the Department of De-  
5 fense.

6 (3) A representative of the California Natural  
7 Resources Agency.

8 (4) A representative of each of San Bernardino  
9 and Riverside Counties, California.

10 (5) A representative of each of the cities of  
11 Banning, Desert Hot Springs and Yucca Valley,  
12 California.

13 (6) A representative of the San Manuel Band of  
14 Serrano Mission Indians.

15 (7) A representative of the Morongo Band of  
16 Mission Indians.

17 (8) A representative of the Friends of Big  
18 Morongo Preserve.

19 (9) A representative of The Wildlands Conser-  
20 vancy.

21 (10) A representative of the Coachella Valley  
22 Mountains Conservancy.

23 (11) A representative of the San Gorgonio Wil-  
24 derness Association.

1 (12) A representative of the Morongo Valley  
2 Community Services District.

3 (13) A representative of organizations relating  
4 to each of the following recreational activities:

5 (A) Off-highway vehicles.

6 (B) Hunting.

7 (C) Rockhounding.

8 (14) A representative of the Southern Cali-  
9 fornia Edison Company.

10 (15) A representative of the Metropolitan Water  
11 District.

12 (16) A representative of Banning Heights Mu-  
13 tual Water Company.

14 (17) A representative of the Society for the  
15 Conservation of Bighorn Sheep.

16 (18) A representative of the Bighorn Sheep  
17 Preservation Group.

18 (c) TERMS.—

19 (1) IN GENERAL.—In appointing members  
20 under subsection (b), the Secretaries shall appoint 1  
21 primary member and 1 alternate member who meets  
22 the qualifications described in each of those para-  
23 graphs.

24 (2) VACANCY.—

1           (A) PRIMARY MEMBER.—A vacancy on the  
2           advisory committee with respect to a primary  
3           member shall be filled by the applicable alter-  
4           nate member.

5           (B) ALTERNATE MEMBER.—The Secre-  
6           taries shall appoint a new alternate member in  
7           the event of a vacancy with respect to an alter-  
8           nate member of the advisory committee.

9           (3) TERMINATION.—

10          (A) IN GENERAL.—The term of all mem-  
11          bers of the advisory committee shall terminate  
12          on the termination of the advisory committee  
13          under subsection (g).

14          (B) NEW ADVISORY COMMITTEE.—The  
15          Secretaries may establish a new advisory com-  
16          mittee on the termination of the advisory com-  
17          mittee under subsection (g) to provide ongoing  
18          recommendations on the management of the  
19          Monument.

20          (d) QUORUM.—A quorum of the advisory committee  
21          shall consist of a majority of the primary members.

22          (e) CHAIRPERSON AND PROCEDURES.—

23                (1) IN GENERAL.—The advisory committee  
24          shall select a chairperson and vice chairperson from

1 among the primary members of the advisory com-  
2 mittee.

3 (2) DUTIES.—The chairperson and vice chair-  
4 person selected under paragraph (1) shall establish  
5 any rules and procedures for the advisory committee  
6 that the chairperson and vice-chairperson determine  
7 to be necessary or desirable.

8 (f) SERVICE WITHOUT COMPENSATION.—Members  
9 of the advisory committee shall serve without pay.

10 (g) TERMINATION.—The advisory committee shall  
11 cease to exist on—

12 (1) the date on which the management plan is  
13 officially adopted by the Secretaries; or

14 (2) such later date as the Secretaries may  
15 specify.

16 **SEC. 707. WIRELESS COMMUNICATIONS FACILITIES.**

17 Nothing in this title shall be construed to affect, re-  
18 strict, or prevent the installation of wireless communica-  
19 tions facilities in the Monument within the area depicted  
20 as “Morongo Gorge” on the map.

1 **TITLE VIII—LAND CONVEY-**  
2 **ANCES, WITHDRAWALS, AND**  
3 **RELATED PROVISIONS**

4 **SEC. 801. RELEASE OF FEDERAL REVERSIONARY LAND IN-**  
5 **TERESTS.**

6 (a) **DEFINITIONS.**—In this section:

7 (1) **1932 ACT.**—The term “1932 Act” means  
8 the Act of June 18, 1932 (47 Stat. 324, chapter  
9 270).

10 (2) **DISTRICT.**—The term “District” means the  
11 Metropolitan Water District of Southern California.

12 (b) **RELEASE.**—Subject to valid existing claims per-  
13 fected prior to the effective date of the 1932 Act and the  
14 reservation of minerals set forth in the 1932 Act, the Sec-  
15 retary of the Interior shall release, convey, or otherwise  
16 quitclaim to the District, in a form recordable in local  
17 county records, and subject to the approval of the District,  
18 after consultation and without monetary consideration, all  
19 right, title, and remaining interest of the United States  
20 in and to the land that was conveyed to the District pursu-  
21 ant to the 1932 Act or any other law authorizing convey-  
22 ance subject to restrictions or reversionary interests re-  
23 tained by the United States, on request by the District.

1 (c) TERMS AND CONDITIONS.—A conveyance author-  
2 ized by subsection (b) shall be subject to the following  
3 terms and conditions:

4 (1) The District shall cover, or reimburse the  
5 Secretary of the Interior for, the costs incurred by  
6 the Secretary to make the conveyance, including title  
7 searches, surveys, deed preparation, attorneys' fees,  
8 and similar expenses.

9 (2) By accepting the conveyances, the District  
10 agrees to indemnify and hold harmless the United  
11 States with regard to any boundary dispute relating  
12 to any parcel conveyed under this section.

13 **SEC. 802. CALIFORNIA STATE SCHOOL LAND.**

14 Section 707 of the California Desert Protection Act  
15 of 1994 (16 U.S.C. 410aaa-77) is amended—

16 (1) in subsection (a)—

17 (A) in the first sentence—

18 (i) by striking “Upon request of the  
19 California State Lands Commission (here-  
20 inafter in this section referred to as the  
21 ‘Commission’), the Secretary shall enter  
22 into negotiations for an agreement” and  
23 inserting the following:

24 “(1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary shall nego-  
25 tiate in good faith to reach an agreement with the

1 California State Lands Commission (referred to in  
2 this section as the ‘Commission’); and

3 (ii) by inserting “, national monu-  
4 ments,” after “more of the wilderness  
5 areas”; and

6 (B) in the second sentence, by striking  
7 “The Secretary shall negotiate in good faith to”  
8 and inserting the following:

9 “(2) AGREEMENT.—To the maximum extent  
10 practicable, not later than 10 years after the date of  
11 enactment of this title, the Secretary shall”;

12 (2) in subsection (b)(1), by inserting “, national  
13 monuments,” after “wilderness areas”; and

14 (3) in subsection (c), by adding at the end the  
15 following:

16 “(5) SPECIAL DEPOSIT FUND ACCOUNT.—

17 “(A) IN GENERAL.—Assembled land ex-  
18 changes may be used to carry out this section  
19 through the sale of surplus Federal property  
20 and subsequent acquisitions of State school  
21 land.

22 “(B) RECEIPTS.—Past and future receipts  
23 from the sale of property described in sub-  
24 section (a), less any costs incurred related to

1 the sale, shall be deposited in a Special Deposit  
2 Fund Account established in the Treasury.

3 “(C) USE.—Funds accumulated in the  
4 Special Deposit Fund Account may be used by  
5 the Secretary, without an appropriation, to ac-  
6 quire State school lands or interest in the land  
7 consistent with this section.”.

8 **SEC. 803. JUNIPER FLATS.**

9 Development of renewable energy generation facilities  
10 (excluding rights-of-way or facilities for the transmission  
11 of energy and telecommunication facilities and infrastruc-  
12 ture) is prohibited on the approximately 28,000 acres of  
13 Federal land generally depicted as “BLM Land With-  
14 drawn from Energy Development and Power Generation”  
15 on the map entitled “Juniper Flats” and dated September  
16 21, 2015.

17 **SEC. 804. LAND EXCHANGE, SAN GORGONIO WILDERNESS,**  
18 **CALIFORNIA DESERT CONSERVATION AREA,**  
19 **BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT, AND SAN**  
20 **BERNARDINO NATIONAL FOREST, CALI-**  
21 **FORNIA.**

22 (a) FOREST SERVICE EXCHANGE AUTHORIZED.—  
23 The Secretary of Agriculture may convey to Stephen  
24 Mascaro (in this section referred to as the “recipient”),  
25 all right, title, and interest of the United States in and

1 to a parcel of National Forest System land within San  
2 Bernardino National Forest in the State of California,  
3 consisting of approximately 638 acres, as depicted on the  
4 map titled “Proposed Sand to Snow National Monument  
5 Forest Service Land Exchange” and dated June 10, 2015,  
6 in exchange for a parcel of private land consisting of ap-  
7 proximately 632 acres, as also depicted on such map.

8 (b) BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT EXCHANGE  
9 AUTHORIZED.—The Secretary of the Interior may convey  
10 to the recipient all right, title, and interest of the United  
11 States in and to a parcel of public land within the San  
12 Gorgonio Wilderness of the California Desert Conserva-  
13 tion Area in the State of California, consisting of approxi-  
14 mately 645 acres, as depicted on the map titled “Proposed  
15 Sand to Snow National Monument Bureau of Land Man-  
16 agement Land Exchange” and dated June 23, 2015, in  
17 exchange for a parcel of private land consisting of approxi-  
18 mately 953 acres, as also depicted on such map.

19 (c) EXISTING RIGHTS.—The conveyance of the Fed-  
20 eral land under this section shall be subject to valid exist-  
21 ing rights.

22 (d) EXCHANGE PROCESS.—The Secretaries shall  
23 carry out the land exchanges authorized by this section  
24 in the manner provided in section 206 of the Federal Land  
25 Policy and Management Act of 1976 (43 U.S.C. 1716)

1 and subject to the terms and conditions of such section  
2 and regulations promulgated to implement such section.

3 (e) MAPS AND LEGAL DESCRIPTIONS.—

4 (1) REQUIRED.—As soon as practicable after  
5 completion of the land exchange authorized by sub-  
6 section (a), the Secretary of Agriculture shall file  
7 with the Committee on Natural Resources of the  
8 House of Representatives and the Committee on En-  
9 ergy and Natural Resources of the Senate a map  
10 and legal description of the Federal land and private  
11 land exchanged under such subsection. As soon as  
12 practicable after completion of the land exchange au-  
13 thorized by subsection (b), the Secretary of the Inte-  
14 rior shall file with such committees a map and legal  
15 description of the Federal land and private land ex-  
16 changed under such subsection.

17 (2) FORCE AND EFFECT.—The maps and legal  
18 descriptions filed under paragraph (1) shall have the  
19 same force and effect as if included in this Act, ex-  
20 cept that the Secretary concerned may correct cler-  
21 ical and typographical errors in a map and descrip-  
22 tion.

23 (3) PUBLIC INSPECTION.—The maps and legal  
24 descriptions shall be on file and available for public

1 inspection in the appropriate offices of the Secretary  
2 concerned.

3 **SEC. 805. CONVEYANCE FOR APPLE VALLEY OFF-HIGHWAY**  
4 **VEHICLE RECREATION AREA.**

5 (a) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

6 (1) TOWN.—The term “Town” means the town  
7 of Apple Valley, California.

8 (2) MAP.—The term “Map” means the map en-  
9 titled “Conveyance to Town of Apple Valley” and  
10 dated June 1, 2015.

11 (b) CONVEYANCE OF FEDERAL LAND TO TOWN.—

12 (1) CONVEYANCE REQUIRED.—Within five  
13 years after the date of the enactment of this Act, the  
14 Secretary of the Interior shall convey to the Town,  
15 without consideration, all right, title, and interest of  
16 the United States in and to the surface estate of ap-  
17 proximately 4,630 acres of land depicted on the Map  
18 as “Proposed Conveyance Area”.

19 (2) EXISTING RIGHTS AND MINERAL ESTATE.—  
20 The conveyance under this subsection—

21 (A) is subject to valid existing rights; and

22 (B) does not include the mineral estate.

23 (c) USE OF CONVEYED LAND.—

24 (1) IN GENERAL.—The land conveyed under  
25 subsection (b) may be used by the Town for any

1 public purpose authorized in paragraph (2), con-  
2 sistent with the Act of June 14, 1926 (commonly  
3 known as the Recreation and Public Purposes Act;  
4 43 U.S.C. 869 et seq.).

5 (2) AUTHORIZED PURPOSES.—The purposes of  
6 the conveyance under subsection (b) are to permit  
7 the Town to use the conveyed land—

8 (A) to provide a suitable location for the  
9 establishment of a centralized off-road vehicle  
10 recreation park;

11 (B) to provide the public with opportuni-  
12 ties for off-road vehicle recreation, including a  
13 location for races, competitive events, training  
14 and other commercial services that directly sup-  
15 port a centralized off-road vehicle recreation  
16 area and Town park; and

17 (C) to provide a designated area and facili-  
18 ties that would discourage unauthorized use of  
19 off-highway vehicles in areas that have been  
20 identified by the Federal Government, the State  
21 of California, or the County as containing envi-  
22 ronmentally sensitive land.

23 (3) DISPOSAL PROHIBITED.—The land con-  
24 veyed under subsection (b) may not be disposed of

1 by the Town without the approval of the Secretary  
2 of the Interior.

3 (d) TEMPORARY REVERSIONARY INTEREST.—During  
4 the five-year period beginning on the date of the convey-  
5 ance of the land under subsection (b), if the Secretary of  
6 the Interior determines that the Town has disposed of the  
7 conveyed land in violation of subsection (c)(3) or has failed  
8 to establish the off-road vehicle recreation park, title to  
9 the land shall revert to the United States, at the option  
10 of the Secretary. At the end of the five-year period, the  
11 Secretary shall release the reversionary interest.

12 (e) DESIGNATION OF APPLE VALLEY OFF-HIGHWAY  
13 VEHICLE RECREATION AREA.—The land identified on the  
14 Map as “Proposed Conveyance Area” and conveyed under  
15 this section shall be known and designated as the “Apple  
16 Valley Off-Highway Vehicle Recreation Area”.

17 (f) MANAGEMENT PLAN.—The Secretary may de-  
18 velop a special management plan for the Apple Valley Off-  
19 Highway Vehicle Recreation Area to enhance the safe use  
20 of off-highway vehicles for recreational purposes.

21 **SEC. 806. CONVEYANCE TO CITY OF TWENTYNINE PALMS,**  
22 **CALIFORNIA.**

23 (a) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

24 (1) CITY.—The term “City” means the City of  
25 Twentynine Palms, California.

1           (2) MAP.—The term “Map” means the map en-  
2           titled “Proposed Conveyance to Twentynine Palms”  
3           and dated September 18, 2015.

4           (b) CONVEYANCE OF FEDERAL LAND TO CITY.—

5           (1) CONVEYANCE REQUIRED.—Within one year  
6           after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Sec-  
7           retary of the Interior shall convey to the City, with-  
8           out consideration, all right, title, and interest of the  
9           United States in and to the surface estate of the  
10          land depicted on the Map as “Proposed Conveyance  
11          to Twentynine Palms”.

12          (2) EXISTING RIGHTS AND MINERAL ESTATE.—

13          The conveyance under this subsection—

14                  (A) is subject to valid existing rights; and

15                  (B) does not include the mineral estate.

16   **SEC. 807. CONVERSION OF VALID, EXISTING RIGHTS.**

17          (a) CONTINUITY OF USE.—Any person claiming in  
18          good faith to have valid, existing rights to lands to be ex-  
19          changed or conveyed in this Act, including but not limited  
20          to Southern California Edison Company, Pacific Gas and  
21          Electric Company, and Southern California Gas Company,  
22          may continue to exercise such rights to the same extent  
23          that the rights were exercised before the date of the enact-  
24          ment of this Act until the Secretary of the Interior or the  
25          Secretary of Agriculture, depending on jurisdiction over

1 the lands involved, makes a determination on applications  
2 submitted under subsection (b)(2) or the applications are  
3 deemed to be granted under subsection (c)(2).

4 (b) NOTICE AND APPLICATIONS.—Consistent with  
5 sections 2800 through 2880 of title 43, Code of Federal  
6 Regulations, as soon as practicable after the date of the  
7 enactment of this Act and prior to any exchange or con-  
8 veyance of lands under this Act, the Secretary of the Inte-  
9 rior or the Secretary of Agriculture, depending on jurisdic-  
10 tion over the lands involved, shall provide written notice  
11 to any person that claims to have valid, existing rights,  
12 such as a management agreement, easement, or other  
13 right-of-way, to lands to be exchanged or conveyed that—

14 (1) the lands are to be exchanged or conveyed;

15 and

16 (2) the person claiming the valid, existing  
17 rights has 60 days to submit an application to the  
18 Secretary concerned requesting that the valid, exist-  
19 ing rights be converted to a long-term easement or  
20 other right-of-way.

21 (c) DETERMINATION.—

22 (1) DETERMINATION REQUIRED; DEADLINE.—

23 The Secretary of the Interior or the Secretary of Ag-  
24 riculture, depending on jurisdiction over the lands  
25 involved, shall grant or deny an application sub-

1       mitted under subsection (b)(2) before the end of the  
2       180-day period beginning on the date on which the  
3       application is received. The Secretary's determina-  
4       tion shall be considered a final action.

5           (2) EFFECT OF FAILURE TO MEET DEAD-  
6       LINE.—If the Secretary of the Interior or the Sec-  
7       retary of Agriculture fails to make the required de-  
8       termination on an application under paragraph (1)  
9       before the end of the period specified in such para-  
10      graph, that application shall be deemed to be grant-  
11      ed. The Secretary concerned shall take such steps as  
12      may be necessary to convert the valid, existing rights  
13      to a long-term easement or other right-of-way.

## 14       **TITLE IX—MISCELLANEOUS** 15       **PROVISIONS**

### 16      **SEC. 901. TRIBAL USES AND INTERESTS.**

17       (a) DEFINITION.—In this section, the term “des-  
18      ignated area” means any land designated as wilderness,  
19      a special management area, a wild or scenic river, an area  
20      of critical environmental concern, a national monument,  
21      or an addition to a unit of the National Park System  
22      under this Act.

23       (b) ACCESS.—The Secretary of the Interior shall en-  
24      sure that members of Indian tribes have access to des-  
25      ignated areas for traditional cultural and religious pur-

1 poses, consistent with applicable law, including Public Law  
2 95–341 (commonly known as the American Indian Reli-  
3 gious Freedom Act; 42 U.S.C. 1996).

4 (c) TEMPORARY CLOSURE.—

5 (1) IN GENERAL.—In accordance with applica-  
6 ble law, including Public Law 95–341 (commonly  
7 known as the American Indian Religious Freedom  
8 Act; 42 U.S.C. 1996), and subject to paragraph (2),  
9 the Secretary of the Interior, on request of an In-  
10 dian tribe or Indian religious community, shall tem-  
11 porarily close to general public use any portion of a  
12 designated area to protect the privacy of traditional  
13 cultural and religious activities in the designated  
14 area by members of the Indian tribe or Indian reli-  
15 gious community.

16 (2) LIMITATION.—In closing a portion of a des-  
17 igned area under paragraph (1), the Secretary  
18 shall limit the closure to the smallest practicable  
19 area for the minimum period necessary for the tradi-  
20 tional cultural and religious activities.

21 (d) TRIBAL CULTURAL RESOURCES MANAGEMENT  
22 PLAN.—

23 (1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than two years  
24 after the date of enactment of this Act, the Sec-  
25 retary of the Interior shall develop and implement a

1 tribal cultural resources management plan to iden-  
2 tify, protect, and conserve cultural resources of In-  
3 dian tribes associated with the Xam Kwatchan Trail  
4 network extending from Avikwaame (Spirit Moun-  
5 tain, Nevada) to Avikwial (Pilot Knob, California).

6 (2) CONSULTATION.—The Secretary shall con-  
7 sult on the development and implementation of the  
8 tribal cultural resources management plan under  
9 paragraph (1) with—

10 (A) each of—

- 11 (i) the Chemehuevi Indian Tribe;
- 12 (ii) the Hualapai Tribal Nation;
- 13 (iii) the Fort Mojave Indian Tribe;
- 14 (iv) the Colorado River Indian Tribes;
- 15 (v) the Quechan Indian Tribe; and
- 16 (vi) the Cocopah Indian Tribe; and

17 (B) the Advisory Council on Historic Pres-  
18 ervation.

19 (3) RESOURCE PROTECTION.—The tribal cul-  
20 tural resources management plan developed under  
21 paragraph (1) shall be—

22 (A) based on a completed tribal cultural  
23 resources survey; and

24 (B) include procedures for identifying, pro-  
25 tecting, and preserving petroglyphs, ancient

1 trails, intaglios, sleeping circles, artifacts, and  
2 other resources of cultural, archaeological, or  
3 historical significance in accordance with all ap-  
4 plicable laws and policies, including—

5 (i) chapter 2003 of title 54, United  
6 States Code;

7 (ii) Public Law 95–341 (commonly  
8 known as the American Indian Religious  
9 Freedom Act; 42 U.S.C. 1996);

10 (iii) the Archaeological Resources Pro-  
11 tection Act of 1979 (16 U.S.C. 470aa et  
12 seq.);

13 (iv) the Native American Graves Pro-  
14 tection and Repatriation Act (25 U.S.C.  
15 3001 et seq.); and

16 (v) Public Law 103–141 (commonly  
17 known as the Religious Freedom Restora-  
18 tion Act of 1993; 42 U.S.C. 2000bb et  
19 seq.).

20 (e) WITHDRAWAL.—Subject to valid existing rights,  
21 all Federal land within the area administratively with-  
22 drawn and known as the “Indian Pass Withdrawal Area”  
23 is permanently withdrawn from—

24 (1) all forms of entry, appropriation, or disposal  
25 under the public land laws;

- 1           (2) location, entry, and patent under the mining
- 2           laws; and
- 3           (3) right-of-way leasing and disposition under
- 4           all laws relating to minerals or solar, wind, or geo-
- 5           thermal energy.

6 **SEC. 902. MILITARY ACTIVITIES.**

7           Nothing in this Act—

- 8           (1) restricts or precludes Department of De-
- 9           fense motorized access by land or air—

- 10                   (A) to respond to an emergency within a
- 11                   wilderness area or wilderness addition des-
- 12                   ignated by this Act; or

- 13                   (B) to control access to the emergency site;

- 14           (2) prevents nonmechanized military training
- 15           activities previously conducted on the public lands
- 16           designated as a wilderness area or wilderness addi-
- 17           tion by this Act that are consistent with—

- 18                   (A) the Wilderness Act (16 U.S.C. 1131 et
- 19                   seq.); and

- 20                   (B) all applicable laws (including regula-
- 21                   tions);

- 22           (3) restricts, precludes, limits, or prevents low-
- 23           level overflights of military aircraft over a wilderness
- 24           area or wilderness addition designated by this Act,
- 25           the Mojave Trails Special Management Area, a

1 Monument created by this Act, or an off-highway ve-  
2 hicle recreation area established by this Act, includ-  
3 ing military overflights that can be seen or heard  
4 within the designated areas;

5 (4) restricts, precludes, limits, or prevents flight  
6 testing and evaluation in the areas described in  
7 paragraph (3); or

8 (5) restricts, precludes, limits, or prevents the  
9 designation or creation of new units of special use  
10 airspace, or the establishment of military flight  
11 training routes, over the areas described in para-  
12 graph (3).

13 **SEC. 903. DEED RESTRICTIONS ON DONATED LAND WITHIN**  
14 **THE CALIFORNIA DESERT CONSERVATION**  
15 **AREA.**

16 Effective beginning on the date of enactment of this  
17 Act, within the California Desert Conservation Area, the  
18 Secretary of the Interior may—

19 (1) accept deed restrictions requested by land-  
20 owners for land donated to, or otherwise acquired  
21 by, the United States; and

22 (2) consistent with existing rights, create deed  
23 restrictions, easements, or other third-party rights  
24 relating to any public land determined by the Sec-  
25 retary to be necessary—

1 (A) to fulfill the mitigation requirements  
2 resulting from the development of renewable re-  
3 sources or to otherwise support the development  
4 of renewable resources; or

5 (B) to satisfy the conditions of—

6 (i) a habitat conservation plan or gen-  
7 eral conservation plan established pursuant  
8 to section 10 of the Endangered Species  
9 Act of 1973 (16 U.S.C. 1539); or

10 (ii) a natural communities conserva-  
11 tion plan approved by the State.

12 **SEC. 904. WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT.**

13 (a) **IN GENERAL.**—Nothing in this Act shall affect  
14 or diminish the jurisdiction of the California Department  
15 of Fish and Wildlife with respect to fish and wildlife man-  
16 agement or conservation, including the regulation of hunt-  
17 ing, fishing, and trapping, with respect to any wilderness,  
18 special management area, or national monument des-  
19 ignated by this Act.

20 (b) **MANAGEMENT ACTIVITIES.**—

21 (1) **IN GENERAL.**—In furtherance of the pur-  
22 poses and principles of the Wilderness Act, manage-  
23 ment activities to maintain or restore fish and wild-  
24 life populations and the habitats to support such  
25 populations shall be permitted on lands designated

1 as wilderness by this Act when consistent with wild-  
2 life conservation objectives of the California Depart-  
3 ment of Fish and Wildlife in accordance with appro-  
4 priate policies such as those set forth in Appendix  
5 B of House Report 101-405, including the occa-  
6 sional and temporary use of motorized vehicles, me-  
7 chanical equipment, and aircraft when such use will  
8 enhance the existence of or promote healthy, viable,  
9 and more naturally distributed wildlife populations  
10 as determined by the California Department of Fish  
11 and Wildlife, which holds the public trust responsi-  
12 bility for wildlife conservation and that would en-  
13 hance wilderness values and accomplish those pur-  
14 poses with the minimum impact necessary to reason-  
15 ably accomplish the task.

16 (2) APPLICABILITY TO ADDITIONAL LANDS.—  
17 This subsection also shall apply to each of those wil-  
18 derness areas established by the California Desert  
19 Protection Act of 1994, including wilderness areas  
20 established within the Mojave National Preserve,  
21 and any public lands that were transferred to the  
22 units of the National Park System known as Death  
23 Valley National Park and Joshua Tree National  
24 Park to increase the size of those units.

1 (c) EXISTING ACTIVITIES.—Consistent with section  
2 4(d)(1) of the Wilderness Act (16 U.S.C. 1133(d)) and  
3 in accordance with appropriate policies such as those set  
4 forth in Appendix B of House Report 101–405, the Cali-  
5 fornia Department of Fish and Wildlife and its agents  
6 shall have the authority to continue to use aircraft and  
7 other motorized equipment, including helicopters, to sur-  
8 vey, capture, transplant, monitor, and provide water for  
9 wildlife populations, including bighorn sheep.

10 (d) WILDLIFE WATER DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS.—

11 (1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of the Inte-  
12 rior shall authorize additional structures and facili-  
13 ties, as well as the continued presence of existing  
14 anthropomorphic structures and facilities, for wild-  
15 life water development projects where determined  
16 necessary to benefit wildlife by the California De-  
17 partment of Fish and Wildlife in the wilderness  
18 areas and the national monuments created by this  
19 Act.

20 (2) APPLICABILITY TO ADDITIONAL LANDS.—

21 This subsection shall also apply to those wilderness  
22 areas established by the California Desert Protection  
23 Act of 1994, as well as in those expanded areas of  
24 Death Valley National Park and Joshua Tree Na-  
25 tional Park that formerly were administered by the

1 Bureau of Land Management, and to the national  
2 monuments and all special management areas estab-  
3 lished by this Act and within the Mojave National  
4 Preserve if—

5 (A) the structures and facilities will en-  
6 hance, as determined by the California Depart-  
7 ment of Fish and Wildlife, the wilderness values  
8 or values of the national monuments or special  
9 management areas, as the case may be, by pro-  
10 moting healthy, viable and more naturally dis-  
11 tributed wildlife populations; and

12 (B) the visual impacts of the structures  
13 and facilities on the areas are minimized.

14 **SEC. 905. LIMITATION ON EXTENSION OR ESTABLISHMENT**  
15 **OF NATIONAL MONUMENTS.**

16 (a) **DEFINITION.**—In this section, the term “des-  
17 ignated area” means any land designated as an off-high-  
18 way vehicle recreation area under title I, a special manage-  
19 ment area under title VI or VII, or a future addition to  
20 Mojave National Preserve under section 303.

21 (b) **LIMITATION.**—No extension or establishment of  
22 any national monument that would include any designated  
23 area may be undertaken by the President under section  
24 320301 of title 54, United States Code (commonly known

1 as the Antiquities Act of 1906) except by express author-  
2 ization of Congress.

3 **SEC. 906. CATEGORICAL EXCLUSION FOR EASTERN INYO**  
4 **COUNTY BROADBAND CORRIDOR.**

5 Notwithstanding any other provision of law, a project  
6 to install and operate a fiberoptic cable by Inyo County,  
7 California, along a route generally depicted on the map  
8 entitled "Proposed Eastern Inyo Broadband Corridor"  
9 and dated September 28, 2015 shall be eligible for a cat-  
10 egorical exclusion (as defined in section 1508.4 of title 40,  
11 Code of Federal Regulations) for purposes of the National  
12 Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (42 U.S.C. 4321 et  
13 seq.).

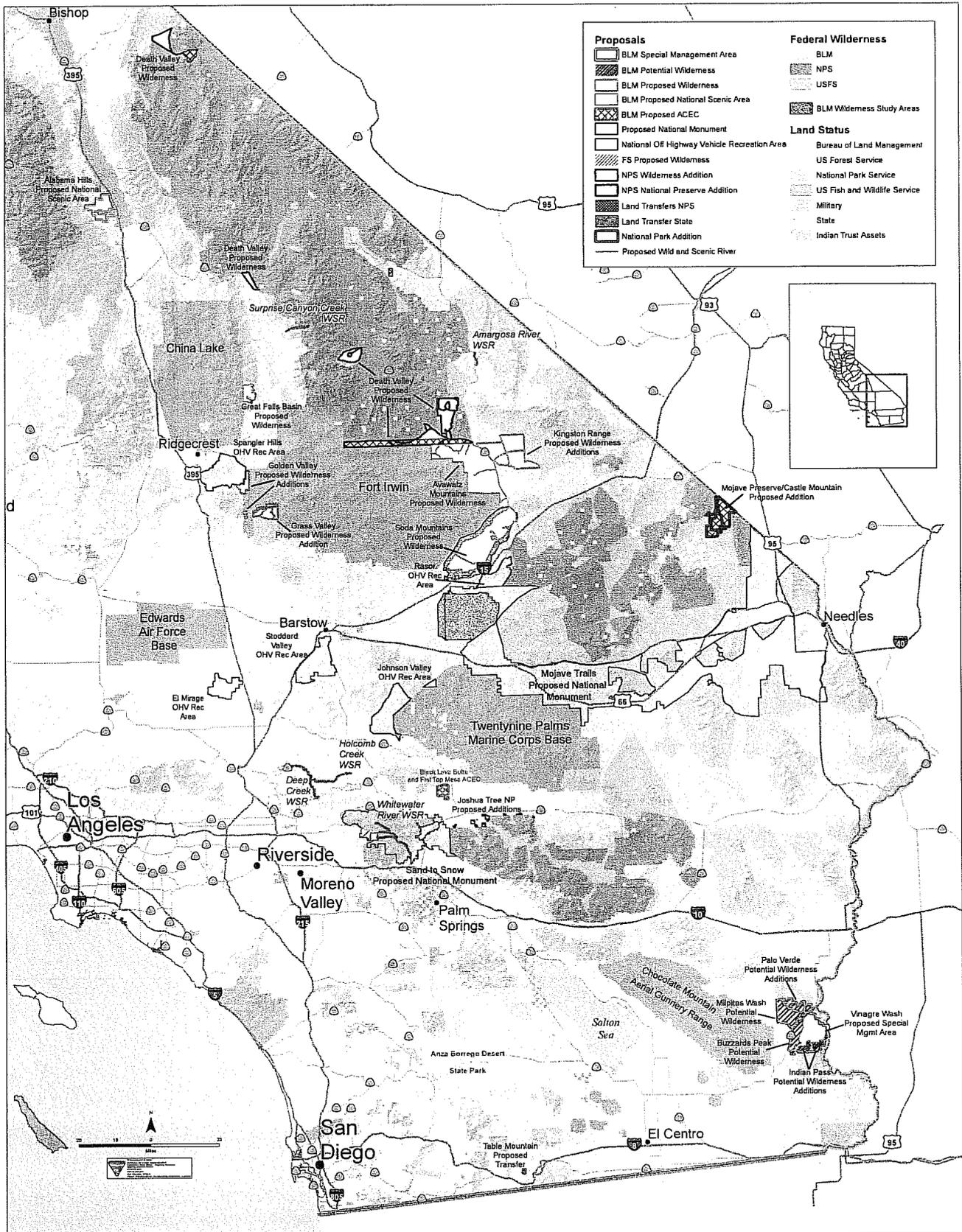
## Attachment 7

S. 414 Overview Map

# 2015 California Desert Protection Act Overview

## February 4, 2015

This map prepared at the request of Senator Dianne Feinstein



## Attachment 8

S. 414 Text

114TH CONGRESS  
1ST SESSION

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To provide for conservation, enhanced recreation opportunities, and development of renewable energy in the California Desert Conservation Area, and for other purposes.

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IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

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Mrs. FEINSTEIN (for herself and Mrs. BOXER) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on

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**A BILL**

To provide for conservation, enhanced recreation opportunities, and development of renewable energy in the California Desert Conservation Area, and for other purposes.

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*  
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE; TABLE OF CONTENTS.**

4 (a) **SHORT TITLE.**—This Act may be cited as the  
5 “California Desert Conservation and Recreation Act of  
6 2015”.

7 (b) **TABLE OF CONTENTS.**—The table of contents of  
8 this Act is as follows:

Sec. 1. Short title; table of contents.

## TITLE I—CALIFORNIA DESERT CONSERVATION AND RECREATION

Sec. 101. California Desert conservation and recreation.

Sec. 102. Visitor center.

Sec. 103. California State school land.

Sec. 104. Designation of wild and scenic rivers.

Sec. 105. Conforming amendments.

## TITLE II—DEVELOPMENT OF RENEWABLE ENERGY ON PUBLIC LAND

Sec. 201. Definitions.

Sec. 202. Disposition of revenues.

1 **TITLE I—CALIFORNIA DESERT**  
 2 **CONSERVATION AND RECRE-**  
 3 **ATION**

4 **SEC. 101. CALIFORNIA DESERT CONSERVATION AND**  
 5 **RECREATION.**

6 Public Law 103–433 (16 U.S.C. 410aaa et seq.) is  
 7 amended by adding at the end the following:

8 **“TITLE XIII—MOJAVE TRAILS**  
 9 **NATIONAL MONUMENT**

10 **“SEC. 1301. DEFINITIONS.**

11 “In this title:

12 “(1) ENERGY TRANSPORT FACILITY.—

13 “(A) IN GENERAL.—The term ‘energy  
 14 transport facility’ means any facility used for  
 15 the operation, maintenance, transmission, dis-  
 16 tribution, or transportation of electricity or nat-  
 17 ural gas.

18 “(B) INCLUSIONS.—The term ‘energy  
 19 transport facility’ includes—

1                   “(i) electric and gas transmission and  
2                   distribution facilities;

3                   “(ii) telecommunications facilities; and

4                   “(iii) appurtenant equipment owned  
5                   or used by a public or municipal utility  
6                   company or water district.

7                   “(2) MAP.—The term ‘map’ means the map en-  
8                   titled ‘Proposed Mojave Trails National Monument’  
9                   and dated January 14, 2015.

10                  “(3) MECHANIZED VEHICLE.—The term  
11                  ‘mechanized vehicle’ means a motorized or mecha-  
12                  nized vehicle or equipment used by a public or mu-  
13                  nicipal utility company or water district to construct,  
14                  operate, maintain, repair, or upgrade electricity, nat-  
15                  ural gas, telecommunications, or water infrastruc-  
16                  ture.

17                  “(4) MONUMENT.—The term ‘Monument’  
18                  means the Mojave Trails National Monument estab-  
19                  lished by section 1302(a).

20                  “(5) PUBLIC-UTILITY COMPANY.—The term  
21                  ‘public-utility company’ has the meaning given the  
22                  term in section 1262 of the Public Utility Holding  
23                  Company Act of 2005 (42 U.S.C. 16451).

1 **“SEC. 1302. MOJAVE TRAILS NATIONAL MONUMENT.**

2 “(a) **ESTABLISHMENT.**—There is established in the  
3 State the Mojave Trails National Monument.

4 “(b) **PURPOSES.**—The purposes of the Monument  
5 are—

6 “(1) to preserve the nationally significant bio-  
7 logical, cultural, recreational, geological, educational,  
8 historic, scenic, and scientific values—

9 “(A) in the Central and Eastern Mojave  
10 Desert; and

11 “(B) along historic Route 66; and

12 “(2) to secure the opportunity for present and  
13 future generations to experience and enjoy the mag-  
14 nificent vistas, wildlife, land forms, and natural and  
15 cultural resources of the Monument.

16 “(c) **BOUNDARIES.**—The Monument shall consist of  
17 the Federal land and Federal interests in land within the  
18 boundaries depicted on the map.

19 “(d) **MAP; LEGAL DESCRIPTIONS.**—

20 “(1) **LEGAL DESCRIPTION.**—As soon as prac-  
21 ticable after the date of enactment of this title, the  
22 Secretary shall submit to the Committee on Natural  
23 Resources of the House of Representatives and the  
24 Committee on Energy and Natural Resources of the  
25 Senate legal descriptions of the Monument, based on  
26 the map.

1           “(2) CORRECTIONS.—The map and legal de-  
2           scriptions of the Monument shall have the same  
3           force and effect as if included in this title, except  
4           that the Secretary may correct clerical and typo-  
5           graphical errors in the map and legal descriptions.

6           “(3) AVAILABILITY OF MAP.—The map shall be  
7           on file and available for public inspection in the ap-  
8           propriate offices of the Bureau of Land Manage-  
9           ment.

10   **“SEC. 1303. MANAGEMENT OF MONUMENT.**

11           “(a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary shall—

12                   “(1) only allow uses of the Monument that—

13                           “(A) further the purposes described in sec-  
14                           tion 1302(b);

15                           “(B) are included in the management plan  
16                           developed under subsection (g); and

17                           “(C) do not interfere with the energy  
18                           transport facility rights-of-way or corridors au-  
19                           thorized under section 1304(f); and

20                   “(2) subject to valid rights, manage the Monu-  
21                   ment to protect the resources of the Monument, in  
22                   accordance with—

23                           “(A) this Act;

1                   “(B) the Federal Land Policy and Man-  
2                   agement Act of 1976 (43 U.S.C. 1701 et seq.);  
3                   and

4                   “(C) any other applicable provisions of law.

5           “(b) COOPERATION AGREEMENTS; GENERAL AU-  
6 THORITY.—Consistent with the management plan and au-  
7 thorities applicable to the Monument, the Secretary may  
8 enter into cooperative agreements (including special use  
9 permits with any person (including educational institu-  
10 tions and Indian tribes)), for the purposes of interpreting,  
11 researching, and providing education on the resources of  
12 the Monument.

13           “(c) ADMINISTRATION OF SUBSEQUENTLY AC-  
14 QUIRED LAND.—Any land or interest in land within the  
15 boundaries of the Monument that is acquired by the Sec-  
16 retary after the date of enactment of this title shall be  
17 managed by the Secretary in accordance with this title.

18           “(d) LIMITATIONS.—

19                   “(1) PROPERTY RIGHTS.—

20                           “(A) IN GENERAL.—The establishment of  
21                   the Monument does not—

22                                   “(i) affect—

23   “(I) any land or interests in land  
24   held by the State, political subdivision  
25   of the State, or special district;

1                   “(II) any private property right  
2                   (including a water development right)  
3                   within the boundaries of the Monu-  
4                   ment; or

5                   “(III) any land or interests in  
6                   land or customary operation, mainte-  
7                   nance, repair, or replacement activity  
8                   carried out on, over, or under land or  
9                   within a right-of-way granted to,  
10                  owned by, or controlled by the Metro-  
11                  politan Water District, Southern Cali-  
12                  fornia Edison Company, or Pacific  
13                  Gas and Electric Company pursuant  
14                  to law or legal right (including the  
15                  Act of June 18, 1932 (47 Stat. 324,  
16                  chapter 270)) that is included in the  
17                  Monument and conducted in a man-  
18                  ner that minimizes the impact on re-  
19                  sources of the Monument; or

20                  “(ii) grant to the Secretary any au-  
21                  thority on or over non-Federal land not al-  
22                  ready provided by law.

23                  “(B) PUBLICATION OF PLANS.—Not later  
24                  than 1 year after the date of enactment of this  
25                  title, the Secretary, in consultation with the

1 utility companies and district referred to in sub-  
2 paragraph (A)(i)(III), shall publish plans for  
3 regular and emergency access to the land and  
4 rights-of-way within the ownership or control of  
5 the applicable utility company or district.

6 “(2) AUTHORITY.—The authority of the Sec-  
7 retary under this title extends only to Federal land  
8 and Federal interests in land included in the Monu-  
9 ment.

10 “(e) ADJACENT MANAGEMENT.—

11 “(1) IN GENERAL.—Nothing in this title creates  
12 any protective perimeter or buffer zone around the  
13 Monument.

14 “(2) ACTIVITIES OUTSIDE MONUMENT.—The  
15 fact that an activity or use on land outside the  
16 Monument can be seen or heard within the Monu-  
17 ment shall not preclude the activity or use outside  
18 the boundary of the Monument.

19 “(3) NO ADDITIONAL REGULATION.—Nothing  
20 in this title requires additional regulation of activi-  
21 ties on land outside the boundary of the Monument.

22 “(f) AIR AND WATER QUALITY.—Nothing in this title  
23 affects the standards governing air or water quality out-  
24 side the boundary of the Monument.

25 “(g) MANAGEMENT PLAN.—

1           “(1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary shall—

2                   “(A) not later than 3 years after the date  
3 of enactment of this title, complete a manage-  
4 ment plan for the conservation and protection  
5 of the Monument; and

6                   “(B) on completion of the management  
7 plan—

8                           “(i) submit the management plan  
9 to—

10                                   “(I) the Committee on Natural  
11 Resources of the House of Represent-  
12 atives; and

13                                   “(II) the Committee on Energy  
14 and Natural Resources of the Senate;  
15 and

16                                   “(ii) make the management plan  
17 available to the public.

18           “(2) INCLUSIONS.—The management plan shall  
19 include provisions that—

20                   “(A) provide for the conservation and pro-  
21 tection of the Monument;

22                   “(B) authorize the continued recreational  
23 uses of the Monument (including hiking, camp-  
24 ing, hunting, mountain biking, sightseeing, off-  
25 highway vehicle recreation on designated routes,

1 rockhounding, and horseback riding), if the rec-  
2 reational uses are consistent with this section  
3 and any other applicable law;

4 “(C) address the need for and, as nec-  
5 essary, establish plans for, the installation, con-  
6 struction, and maintenance of energy transport  
7 facility rights-of-way within the Monument, in-  
8 cluding provisions that require that the activi-  
9 ties be conducted in a manner that minimizes  
10 the impact on Monument resources (including  
11 resources relating to the ecological, cultural,  
12 historic, and scenic viewshed of the Monument),  
13 in accordance with any other applicable law;

14 “(D) address the designation and mainte-  
15 nance of roads, trails, and paths in the Monu-  
16 ment;

17 “(E) address regional fire management  
18 planning and coordination between the Director  
19 of the Bureau of Land Management, the Direc-  
20 tor of the National Park Service, and San  
21 Bernardino County;

22 “(F) address the establishment of a visitor  
23 center to serve the Monument and adjacent  
24 public land; and

1           “(G) provide for the maintenance of, and  
2 access to, energy transport facilities and rights-  
3 of-way within the Monument.

4           “(3) PREPARATION AND IMPLEMENTATION.—

5           “(A) APPLICABLE LAW.—The Secretary  
6 shall prepare and implement the management  
7 plan in accordance with the National Environ-  
8 mental Policy Act of 1969 (42 U.S.C. 4321 et  
9 seq.) and any other applicable laws.

10           “(B) CONSULTATION.—In preparing and  
11 implementing the management plan, the Sec-  
12 retary shall periodically consult with—

13           “(i) the advisory committee estab-  
14 lished under section 1306;

15           “(ii) interested private property own-  
16 ers and holders of valid rights located  
17 within the boundaries of the Monument;  
18 and

19           “(iii) representatives of the Fort Mo-  
20 jave Indian Tribe, the Colorado River In-  
21 dian Tribes, the Chemehuevi Indian Tribe,  
22 and other Indian tribes with historic or  
23 cultural ties to land within, or adjacent to,  
24 the Monument regarding the management  
25 of portions of the Monument containing

1           sacred sites or cultural importance to the  
2           Indian tribes.

3           “(4) INTERIM MANAGEMENT.—Except as other-  
4           wise provided in this Act, pending completion of the  
5           management plan for the Monument, the Secretary  
6           shall manage any Federal land and Federal interests  
7           in land within the boundary of the Monument—

8           “(A) in accordance with section 1.6D of  
9           the Bureau of Land Management manual num-  
10          bered 6220, dated July 13, 2012, and entitled  
11          ‘National Monuments, National Conservation  
12          Areas, and Similar Designations’; and

13          “(B) consistent with the purposes of the  
14          Monument described in section 1302(b).

15   **“SEC. 1304. USES OF MONUMENT.**

16          “(a) USE OF OFF-HIGHWAY MOTORIZED VEHI-  
17          CLES.—

18          “(1) IN GENERAL.—Except as necessary for ad-  
19          ministrative purposes or to respond to an emer-  
20          gency, the use of off-highway motorized vehicles in  
21          the Monument (including the use of off-highway mo-  
22          torized vehicles for commercial touring) shall be per-  
23          mitted only on designated routes, subject to all ap-  
24          plicable law and as authorized by the management  
25          plan.

1           “(2) INVENTORY.—Not later than 2 years after  
2           the date of enactment of this title, the Director of  
3           the Bureau of Land Management shall—

4                   “(A) complete an inventory of all existing  
5           routes in the Monument; and

6                   “(B) designate routes concurrently with  
7           completion of the management plan.

8           “(b) HUNTING, TRAPPING, AND FISHING.—

9                   “(1) IN GENERAL.—Except as provided in para-  
10          graph (2), the Secretary shall permit hunting, trap-  
11          ping, and fishing within the Monument in accord-  
12          ance with applicable Federal and State laws (includ-  
13          ing regulations) in effect as of the date of enactment  
14          of this title.

15                  “(2) TRAPPING.—No amphibians or reptiles  
16          may be collected within the Monument, except for—

17                          “(A) scientific purposes; or

18                          “(B) the removal of an invasive species.

19                  “(3) REGULATIONS.—The Secretary, after con-  
20          sultation with the California Department of Fish  
21          and Wildlife, may designate zones in which, and es-  
22          tablish periods during which, hunting, trapping, and  
23          fishing shall not be allowed in the Monument for  
24          reasons of public safety, administration, resource  
25          protection, or public use and enjoyment.

1 “(c) GRAZING.—

2 “(1) IN GENERAL.—Nothing in this title termi-  
3 nates any valid existing grazing permit within the  
4 Monument.

5 “(2) EFFECT ON BLAIR PERMIT.—Nothing in  
6 this title affects the Lazy Daisy grazing permit (per-  
7 mittee number 9076) on land included in the Monu-  
8 ment including the transfer of title to the grazing  
9 permit to the Secretary or to a private party.

10 “(3) PERMIT RETIREMENT.—The Secretary  
11 may acquire base property and associated grazing  
12 permits within the Monument for purposes of per-  
13 manently retiring the permit if—

14 “(A) the permittee is a willing seller;

15 “(B) the permittee and Secretary reach an  
16 agreement concerning the terms and conditions  
17 of the acquisition; and

18 “(C) termination of the allotment would  
19 further the purposes of the Monument de-  
20 scribed in section 1302(b).

21 “(d) ACCESS TO STATE AND PRIVATE LAND.—The  
22 Secretary shall provide adequate access to each owner of  
23 non-Federal land or interests in non-Federal land within  
24 the boundary of the Monument to ensure the reasonable

1 maintenance, use, and enjoyment of the land or interest  
2 by the owner.

3 “(e) LIMITATIONS.—

4 “(1) COMMERCIAL ENTERPRISES.—Except as  
5 provided in paragraphs (2) and (3), or as required  
6 for the customary operation, maintenance, upgrade,  
7 expansion, or development of energy transport facili-  
8 ties within corridors or rights-of-way described in  
9 subsection (f), no commercial enterprises shall be  
10 authorized within the boundary of the Monument  
11 after the date of enactment of this title.

12 “(2) AUTHORIZED EXCEPTIONS.—The Sec-  
13 retary may authorize exceptions to paragraph (1) if  
14 the Secretary determines that the commercial enter-  
15 prise would further the purposes described in section  
16 1302(b).

17 “(3) APPLICABILITY.—This subsection does not  
18 apply to—

19 “(A) energy transport facilities that are  
20 owned or operated by a utility subject to regula-  
21 tion by the Federal Government or a State gov-  
22 ernment or a State utility with a service obliga-  
23 tion (as those terms may be defined in section  
24 217 of the Federal Power Act (16 U.S.C.  
25 824q)); or

1           “(B) commercial vehicular touring enter-  
2           prises within the Monument that operate on  
3           designated routes.

4           “(f) ENERGY TRANSPORT FACILITIES AND RIGHTS-  
5 OF-WAY.—

6           “(1) IN GENERAL.—Subject to paragraph (2),  
7           nothing in this title precludes, prevents, or inhibits  
8           the use of mechanized vehicles or customary oper-  
9           ation, maintenance, upgrade, expansion, relocation  
10          within an existing right-of-way, replacement, or de-  
11          velopment of energy transport facilities within exist-  
12          ing rights-of-way or corridors located in the Monu-  
13          ment.

14          “(2) LIMITATION.—The activities described in  
15          paragraph (1) shall be conducted in a manner that  
16          minimizes the impact of the activities on Monument  
17          resources.

18          “(3) RIGHTS-OF-WAY.—The Secretary shall, to  
19          the maximum extent practicable—

20                  “(A) permit rights-of-way and corridor  
21                  alignments that best protect the values and re-  
22                  sources of the Monument described in section  
23                  1302(b); and

24                  “(B) ensure that—

1           “(i) existing rights-of-way and utility  
2 corridors within the Monument are fully  
3 utilized before authorizing any new or ex-  
4 panded utility right-of-way or corridor; and

5           “(ii) no economically, technically, or  
6 legally feasible alternative exists outside  
7 the Monument before authorizing a new or  
8 expanded energy transport facility right-of-  
9 way or corridor within the Monument.

10           “(4) EFFECT ON EXISTING FACILITIES AND  
11 RIGHTS-OF-WAY.—

12           “(A) IN GENERAL.—Nothing in this sec-  
13 tion terminates or limits any valid right-of-way  
14 within the Monument in existence on the date  
15 of enactment of this title (including the cus-  
16 tomary operation, maintenance, repair, reloca-  
17 tion within an existing right-of-way, or replace-  
18 ment of energy transport facilities within an ex-  
19 isting right-of-way), or other authorized right-  
20 of-way, including a right-of-way described in  
21 subparagraph (B).

22           “(B) INCLUSIONS.—A right-of-way re-  
23 ferred to in subparagraph (A) includes—

24           “(i) a right-of-way issued, granted, or  
25 permitted to—

1           “(I) the Southern California Edi-  
2           son Company or any predecessors,  
3           successors, or assigns of the Southern  
4           California Edison Company, which are  
5           referred to as of the date of enact-  
6           ment of the California Desert Con-  
7           servation and Recreation Act of 2015  
8           as Lugo-Mohave, Eldorado-Lugo,  
9           Cima-Eldorado-Pisgah 1 and 2, and  
10          Lugo-Pisgah 1 and 2 transmission  
11          line rights-of-way, Hector, Lava,  
12          Sheephole, and Danby distribution  
13          circuit rights-of-way, and any rights-  
14          of-way affiliated with the Camino  
15          Substation; and

16           “(II) the Pacific Gas and Electric  
17          Company or any predecessors, succes-  
18          sors, or assigns of the Pacific Gas and  
19          Electric Company, which are referred  
20          to as Gas Transmission Lines 300A,  
21          300B, 311, and 372 rights-of-way;  
22          and

23           “(ii) a right-of-way authorization  
24          issued on the expiration of an existing

1 right-of-way authorization described in  
2 clause (i).

3 “(C) PUBLICATION OF PLANS.—Not later  
4 than 1 year after the date of enactment of this  
5 title, the Secretary, in consultation with the  
6 Southern California Edison Company, the Pa-  
7 cific Gas and Electric Company, and the Metro-  
8 politan Water District of Southern California,  
9 shall publish plans for regular and emergency  
10 access by the Southern California Edison Com-  
11 pany, the Pacific Gas and Electric Company,  
12 and the Metropolitan Water District of South-  
13 ern California to the respective rights-of-way of  
14 those utilities within the Monument.

15 “(5) UPGRADING AND EXPANSION OF EXISTING  
16 RIGHTS-OF-WAY.—Nothing in this subsection pro-  
17 hibits the upgrading (including the construction, re-  
18 location, or replacement within an existing right-of-  
19 way) or expansion of an existing energy transport  
20 facility for the purpose of increasing the trans-  
21 mission capacity of the energy transport facility or  
22 for providing energy storage consistent with require-  
23 ments of the California Public Utilities Commission,  
24 or the Federal or State agency with regulatory au-  
25 thority over those actions, in—

1           “(A) existing rights-of-way or corridors  
2           within the Monument; or

3           “(B) a right-of-way issued, granted, or  
4           permitted by the Secretary that is contiguous or  
5           adjacent to existing energy transport facility  
6           rights-of-way, including existing Southern Cali-  
7           fornia Edison Company and Pacific Gas and  
8           Electric Company Mojave Trails energy trans-  
9           port facility rights-of-way.

10          “(6) INTERSTATE 40 TRANSPORTATION COR-  
11          RIDOR.—For purposes of utility rights-of-way under  
12          this subsection, the Secretary shall consider the  
13          Interstate 40 transportation corridor to be equiva-  
14          lent to an existing utility right-of-way corridor.

15          “(7) NEW RIGHTS-OF-WAY AND NEW USES.—

16                 “(A) IN GENERAL.—Except as authorized  
17                 in subparagraph (B), any new right-of-way or  
18                 new use within an existing right-of-way shall—

19                         “(i)(I) only be permitted in an energy  
20                         corridor that is designated as of the date  
21                         of enactment of this title; or

22                         “(II) an expansion of an energy cor-  
23                         ridor described in subclause (I); and

1                   “(ii) require compliance with the Na-  
2                   tional Environmental Policy Act of 1969  
3                   (42 U.S.C. 4321 et seq.).

4                   “(B) APPROVAL.—A new right-of-way, or  
5                   new use or expansion of an existing corridor  
6                   shall only be approved if the Secretary, in con-  
7                   sultation with applicable Federal and State  
8                   agencies, determines that the new right-of-way  
9                   or new use or expansion of an existing corridor  
10                  is consistent with—

11                         “(i) this title;

12                         “(ii) other applicable laws;

13                         “(iii) the purposes of the Monument  
14                         described in section 1302(b); and

15                         “(iv) the management plan for the  
16                         Monument.

17                  “(g) OVERFLIGHTS.—Nothing in this title or the  
18                  management plan restricts or precludes—

19                         “(1) overflights (including low-level overflights)  
20                         of military, commercial, and general aviation aircraft  
21                         that can be seen or heard within the Monument;

22                         “(2) the designation or creation of new units of  
23                         special use airspace;

24                         “(3) the establishment of military flight train-  
25                         ing routes over the Monument; or

1           “(4) the use (including takeoff and landing) of  
2           helicopters and other aerial devices within valid  
3           rights-of-way to construct or maintain energy trans-  
4           port facilities.

5           “(h) WITHDRAWALS.—

6           “(1) IN GENERAL.—Subject to this Act and  
7           valid existing rights and except as provided in para-  
8           graph (2), the Federal land and interests in Federal  
9           land included within the Monument are withdrawn  
10          from—

11                  “(A) all forms of entry, appropriation, or  
12                  disposal under the public land laws;

13                  “(B) location, entry, and patent under the  
14                  public land mining laws;

15                  “(C) operation of the mineral leasing, geo-  
16                  thermal leasing, and mineral materials laws;  
17                  and

18                  “(D) energy development and power gen-  
19                  eration.

20           “(2) EXCHANGE.—Paragraph (1) does not  
21           apply to an exchange that the Secretary determines  
22           would further the protective purposes of the Monu-  
23           ment.

24           “(i) ACCESS TO RENEWABLE ENERGY AND ENERGY  
25           TRANSPORT FACILITIES.—

1           “(1) IN GENERAL.—On a determination by the  
2 Secretary that no reasonable alternative access ex-  
3 ists and subject to paragraph (2), the Secretary may  
4 allow new rights-of-way within the Monument to  
5 provide reasonable vehicular access to renewable en-  
6 ergy project sites and appurtenant energy transport  
7 facilities outside the boundaries of the Monument.

8           “(2) RESTRICTIONS.—To the maximum extent  
9 practicable, the rights-of-way shall be designed and  
10 sited to be consistent with the purposes of the  
11 Monument described in section 1302(b).

12 **“SEC. 1305. ACQUISITION OF LAND.**

13           “(a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary may acquire for  
14 inclusion in the Monument any land or interests in land  
15 within the boundary of the Monument owned by the State,  
16 units of local government, Indian tribes, nonprofit organi-  
17 zations, private individuals, or any other landowner only  
18 by—

19           “(1) donation;

20           “(2) exchange with a willing party; or

21           “(3) purchase from a willing seller.

22           “(b) USE OF EASEMENTS.—To the maximum extent  
23 practicable and only with the approval of the landowner,  
24 the Secretary may use permanent conservation easements

1 to acquire an interest in land in the Monument rather  
2 than acquiring fee simple title to the land.

3 “(c) INCORPORATION OF ACQUIRED LAND AND IN-  
4 TERESTS IN LAND.—Any land or interest in land within  
5 the boundaries of the Monument that is acquired by the  
6 United States after the date of enactment of this title shall  
7 be added to and administered as part of the Monument.

8 “(d) DONATED AND ACQUIRED LAND.—

9 “(1) IN GENERAL.—All land within the bound-  
10 ary of the Monument donated to the United States  
11 or acquired using amounts from the land and water  
12 conservation fund established under section 200302  
13 of title 54, United States Code, before, on, or after  
14 the date of enactment of this title—

15 “(A) is withdrawn from mineral entry;

16 “(B) shall be managed in accordance with  
17 section 2004; and

18 “(C) shall be managed consistent with the  
19 purposes of the Monument described in section  
20 1302(b).

21 “(2) EFFECT ON MONUMENT.—Land within the  
22 boundary of the Monument that is contiguous to  
23 land donated to the United States or acquired  
24 through purchase or exchange shall be managed in

1 a manner consistent with conservation purposes,  
2 subject to applicable law.

3 **“SEC. 1306. ADVISORY COMMITTEE.**

4 “(a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary shall establish an  
5 advisory committee for the Monument, the purpose of  
6 which is to advise the Secretary with respect to the prepa-  
7 ration and implementation of the management plan re-  
8 quired by section 1303(g).

9 “(b) MEMBERSHIP.—To the maximum extent prac-  
10 ticable, the advisory committee shall include the following  
11 members, to be appointed by the Secretary:

12 “(1) A representative with expertise in natural  
13 science and research selected from a regional institu-  
14 tion of higher education or research.

15 “(2) A representative of the California Natural  
16 Resources Agency.

17 “(3) A representative of the California Public  
18 Utilities Commission.

19 “(4) A representative of the County of San  
20 Bernardino, California.

21 “(5) A representative of each of the cities of  
22 Barstow, Needles, Twentynine Palms, and Yucca  
23 Valley, California.

24 “(6) A representative of each of—

- 1           “(A) the San Manuel Band of Serrano  
2           Mission Indians;  
3           “(B) the Colorado River Indian Tribes;  
4           “(C) the Fort Mojave Indian Tribe; and  
5           “(D) the Chemehuevi Indian Tribe.  
6           “(7) A representative of the Department of De-  
7           fense.  
8           “(8) A representative of The Wildlands Conser-  
9           vancy.  
10          “(9) A representative of a local conservation or-  
11          ganization.  
12          “(10) A representative of an historical preserva-  
13          tion organization.  
14          “(11) A representative of organizations relating  
15          to each of the following recreational activities:  
16               “(A) Off-highway vehicles.  
17               “(B) Hunting.  
18               “(C) Rockhounding.  
19          “(12) A representative of the Southern Cali-  
20          fornia Edison Company.  
21          “(13) A representative of the Pacific Gas and  
22          Electric Company.  
23          “(14) A representative of the Metropolitan  
24          Water District of Southern California.  
25          “(c) TERMS.—

1           “(1) IN GENERAL.—In appointing members  
2 under paragraphs (1) through (14) of subsection  
3 (b), the Secretary shall appoint 1 primary member  
4 and 1 alternate member that meets the qualifica-  
5 tions described in each of those paragraphs.

6           “(2) VACANCY.—

7           “(A) PRIMARY MEMBER.—A vacancy on  
8 the advisory committee with respect to a pri-  
9 mary member shall be filled by the applicable  
10 alternate member.

11           “(B) ALTERNATE MEMBER.—The Sec-  
12 retary shall appoint a new alternate member in  
13 the event of a vacancy with respect to an alter-  
14 nate member of the advisory committee.

15           “(3) TERMINATION.—

16           “(A) IN GENERAL.—The term of all mem-  
17 bers of the advisory committee shall terminate  
18 on the termination of the advisory committee  
19 under subsection (g).

20           “(B) NEW ADVISORY COMMITTEE.—At the  
21 discretion of the Secretary, the Secretary may  
22 establish a new advisory committee on the ter-  
23 mination of the advisory committee under sub-  
24 section (g) to provide ongoing recommendations  
25 on the management of the Monument.

1       “(d) QUORUM.—A quorum of the advisory committee  
2 shall consist of a majority of the primary members.

3       “(e) CHAIRPERSON AND PROCEDURES.—

4           “(1) IN GENERAL.—The advisory committee  
5 shall select a chairperson and vice chairperson from  
6 among the primary members of the advisory com-  
7 mittee.

8           “(2) DUTIES.—The chairperson and vice chair-  
9 person selected under paragraph (1) shall establish  
10 any rules and procedures for the advisory committee  
11 that the chairperson and vice-chairperson determine  
12 to be necessary or desirable.

13       “(f) SERVICE WITHOUT COMPENSATION.—Members  
14 of the advisory committee shall serve without pay.

15       “(g) TERMINATION.—The advisory committee shall  
16 cease to exist on—

17           “(1) the date on which the management plan is  
18 officially adopted by the Secretary; or

19           “(2) at the discretion of the Secretary, a later  
20 date established by the Secretary.

21 **“SEC. 1307. RENEWABLE ENERGY RIGHT-OF-WAY APPLICA-**  
22 **TIONS.**

23       “(a) IN GENERAL.—Applicants for rights-of-way for  
24 the development of solar energy facilities that have been  
25 terminated by the establishment of the Monument shall

1 be granted the right of first refusal to apply for replace-  
2 ment sites that—

3 “(1) have not previously been encumbered by  
4 right-of-way applications; and

5 “(2) are located within the Solar Energy Zones  
6 designated by the Solar Energy Programmatic Envi-  
7 ronmental Impact Statement of the Department of  
8 the Interior and the Department of Energy.

9 “(b) ELIGIBILITY.—To be eligible for a right of first  
10 refusal under subsection (a), an applicant shall have, on  
11 or before December 1, 2009—

12 “(1) submitted an application for a right-of-way  
13 to the Bureau of Land Management;

14 “(2) completed a plan of development to de-  
15 velop a solar energy facility on land within the  
16 Monument;

17 “(3) submitted cost recovery funds to the Bu-  
18 reau of Land Management to assist with the costs  
19 of processing the right-of-way application;

20 “(4) successfully submitted an application for  
21 an interconnection agreement with an electrical grid  
22 operator that is registered with the North American  
23 Electric Reliability Corporation; and

24 “(5)(A) secured a power purchase agreement;  
25 or

1           “(B) a financially and technically viable solar  
2           energy facility project, as determined by the Director  
3           of the Bureau of Land Management.

4           “(c) EQUIVALENT ENERGY PRODUCTION.—Each  
5           right-of-way for a replacement site granted under this sec-  
6           tion shall—

7           “(1) authorize the same energy production at  
8           the replacement site as had been applied for at the  
9           site that had been the subject of the terminated ap-  
10          plication; and

11          “(2) have—

12                  “(A) appropriate solar insolation and  
13                  geotechnical attributes; and

14                  “(B) adequate access to existing trans-  
15                  mission or feasible new transmission.

16          “(d) EXISTING RIGHTS-OF-WAY APPLICATIONS.—  
17          Nothing in this section alters, affects, or displaces primary  
18          rights-of-way applications within the Solar Energy Study  
19          Areas unless the applications are otherwise altered, af-  
20          fected, or displaced as a result of the Solar Energy Pro-  
21          grammatic Environmental Impact Statement of the De-  
22          partment of the Interior and the Department of Energy.

23          “(e) DEADLINES.—A right of first refusal granted  
24          under this section shall only be exercisable by the date  
25          that is 180 days after the date of enactment of this title.

1       “(f) EXPEDITED APPLICATION PROCESSING.—The  
2 Secretary shall expedite the review of replacement site ap-  
3 plications from eligible applicants, as described in sub-  
4 section (b).

5           **“TITLE XIV—SAND TO SNOW**  
6                   **NATIONAL MONUMENT**

7   **“SEC. 1401. DEFINITIONS.**

8       “In this title:

9           “(1) ENERGY TRANSPORT FACILITY.—

10                   “(A) IN GENERAL.—The term ‘energy  
11 transport facility’ means any facility used for  
12 the operation, maintenance, transmission, dis-  
13 tribution, or transportation of electricity or nat-  
14 ural gas.

15                   “(B) INCLUSIONS.—The term ‘energy  
16 transport facility’ includes—

17                           “(i) electric and gas transmission and  
18 distribution facilities;

19                           “(ii) telecommunications facilities; and

20                           “(iii) appurtenant equipment owned  
21 or used by a public or municipal utility  
22 company or water district.

23           “(2) MAP.—The term ‘map’ means the map en-  
24 titled ‘Proposed Sand to Snow National Monument’  
25 and dated August 29, 2014.

1           “(3) MECHANIZED VEHICLE.—The term  
2           ‘mechanized vehicle’ means a motorized or mecha-  
3           nized vehicle or equipment used by a public or mu-  
4           nicipal utility company or water district to construct,  
5           operate, maintain, repair, or upgrade electricity, nat-  
6           ural gas, telecommunications, or water infrastruc-  
7           ture.

8           “(4) MONUMENT.—The term ‘Monument’  
9           means the Sand to Snow National Monument estab-  
10          lished by section 1402(a).

11          “(5) PUBLIC-UTILITY COMPANY.—The term  
12          ‘public-utility company’ has the meaning given the  
13          term in section 1262 of the Public Utility Holding  
14          Company Act of 2005 (42 U.S.C. 16451).

15          “(6) SECRETARIES.—The term ‘Secretaries’  
16          means the Secretary of the Interior and the Sec-  
17          retary of Agriculture, acting jointly.

18   **“SEC. 1402. SAND TO SNOW NATIONAL MONUMENT.**

19          “(a) ESTABLISHMENT.—There is established in the  
20          State the Sand to Snow National Monument.

21          “(b) PURPOSES.—The purposes of the Monument  
22          are—

23                  “(1) to preserve the nationally significant bio-  
24                  logical, cultural, educational, geological, historic, sce-  
25                  nic, and recreational values at the convergence of

1 the Mojave and Colorado Desert and the San  
2 Bernardino Mountains; and

3 “(2) to secure the opportunity for present and  
4 future generations to experience and enjoy the mag-  
5 nificent vistas, wildlife, land forms, and natural and  
6 cultural resources of the Monument.

7 “(c) BOUNDARIES.—

8 “(1) IN GENERAL.—The Monument shall con-  
9 sist of the Federal land and Federal interests in  
10 land within the boundaries depicted on the map.

11 “(2) DISTANCE FROM STATE HIGHWAYS.—In  
12 accordance with the policy of the Bureau of Land  
13 Management, the boundaries of the Monument shall  
14 be set back not less than 300 feet from all State  
15 highways.

16 “(d) MAP; LEGAL DESCRIPTIONS.—

17 “(1) LEGAL DESCRIPTION.—As soon as prac-  
18 ticable after the date of enactment of this title, the  
19 Secretary shall submit to the Committee on Natural  
20 Resources of the House of Representatives and the  
21 Committee on Energy and Natural Resources of the  
22 Senate legal descriptions of the Monument, based on  
23 the map.

24 “(2) CORRECTIONS.—The map and legal de-  
25 scriptions of the Monument shall have the same

1 force and effect as if included in this title, except  
2 that the Secretary may correct clerical and typo-  
3 graphical errors in the map and legal descriptions.

4 “(3) AVAILABILITY OF MAP.—The map shall be  
5 on file and available for public inspection in appro-  
6 priate offices of the Bureau of Land Management.

7 **“SEC. 1403. MANAGEMENT OF MONUMENT.**

8 “(a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary shall—

9 “(1) only allow uses of the Monument that—

10 “(A) further the purposes described in sec-  
11 tion 1402(b);

12 “(B) are included in the management plan  
13 developed under subsection (g); and

14 “(C) do not interfere with the energy  
15 transport facility rights-of-way authorized  
16 under section 1404(e); and

17 “(2) subject to valid existing rights, manage the  
18 Monument to protect the resources of the Monu-  
19 ment, in accordance with—

20 “(A) this title;

21 “(B) the Federal Land Policy and Man-  
22 agement Act of 1976 (43 U.S.C. 1701 et seq.);  
23 and

24 “(C) any other applicable provisions of law.

1       “(b) COOPERATION AGREEMENTS; GENERAL AU-  
2 THORITY.—Consistent with the management plan and au-  
3 thorities applicable to the Monument, the Secretary may  
4 enter into cooperative agreements (including special use  
5 permits with any person (including educational institu-  
6 tions and Indian tribes)), for the purposes of interpreting,  
7 researching, and providing education on the resources of  
8 the Monument.

9       “(c) ADMINISTRATION OF SUBSEQUENTLY AC-  
10 QUIRED LAND.—Any land or interest in land within the  
11 boundaries of the Monument that is acquired by the Sec-  
12 retary of the Interior or the Secretary of Agriculture after  
13 the date of enactment of this title shall be managed by  
14 the Secretary of Agriculture or the Secretary of the Inte-  
15 rior, respectively, in accordance with this title.

16       “(d) LIMITATIONS.—

17               “(1) PROPERTY RIGHTS.—

18                       “(A) IN GENERAL.—The establishment of  
19 the Monument does not—

20                               “(i) affect—

21                                       “(I) any land or interest in land  
22 held by the State, political subdivision  
23 of the State, or special district;

24                                       “(II) any private property right  
25 (including a water development right)

1 within the boundaries of the Monu-  
2 ment;

3 “(III) any land, interest in land,  
4 or customary operation, maintenance,  
5 repair, or replacement activity carried  
6 out on, over, or under land or within  
7 a right-of-way granted to, owned by,  
8 or controlled by the Metropolitan  
9 Water District or the Southern Cali-  
10 fornia Edison Company pursuant to  
11 law or legal right (including the Act  
12 of June 18, 1932 (47 Stat. 324, chap-  
13 ter 270)) included in the Monument  
14 and conducted in a manner that mini-  
15 mizes the impact on the resources of  
16 the Monument; or

17 “(IV) access to valid existing  
18 water rights and the operation and  
19 maintenance of water conveyance  
20 structures associated with the water  
21 rights; or

22 “(ii) grant to the Secretary any au-  
23 thority on or over non-Federal land not al-  
24 ready provided by law.

1           “(B) PLANS.—Not later than 1 year after  
2           the date of enactment of this title, the Sec-  
3           retary, in consultation with the district and  
4           company referred to in subparagraph (A)(i)(III)  
5           shall publish plans for regular and emergency  
6           access to the land and rights-of-way owned or  
7           controlled by the company or district.

8           “(2) AUTHORITY.—The authority of the Sec-  
9           retary under this title extends only to Federal land  
10          and Federal interests in land included in the Monu-  
11          ment.

12          “(e) ADJACENT MANAGEMENT.—

13                 “(1) IN GENERAL.—Nothing in this title creates  
14                 any protective perimeter or buffer zone around the  
15                 Monument.

16                 “(2) ACTIVITIES OUTSIDE MONUMENT.—The  
17                 fact that an activity or use on land outside the  
18                 Monument can be seen or heard within the Monu-  
19                 ment shall not preclude the activity or use outside  
20                 the boundary of the Monument.

21                 “(3) NO ADDITIONAL REGULATION.—Nothing  
22                 in this title requires additional regulation of activi-  
23                 ties on land outside the boundary of the Monument.

1       “(f) AIR AND WATER QUALITY.—Nothing in this title  
2 affects the standards governing air or water quality out-  
3 side the boundary of the Monument.

4       “(g) MANAGEMENT PLAN.—

5           “(1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretaries shall—

6               “(A) not later than 3 years after the date  
7 of enactment of this title, complete a manage-  
8 ment plan for the conservation and protection  
9 of the Monument; and

10               “(B) on completion of the management  
11 plan—

12                   “(i) submit the management plan  
13 to—

14                       “(I) the Committee on Natural  
15 Resources of the House of Represent-  
16 atives; and

17                       “(II) the Committee on Energy  
18 and Natural Resources of the Senate;  
19 and

20                   “(ii) make the management plan  
21 available to the public.

22       “(2) INCLUSIONS.—The management plan shall  
23 include provisions that—

24               “(A) provide for the conservation and pro-  
25 tection of the Monument;

1           “(B) authorize the continued recreational  
2           uses of the Monument (including hiking, camp-  
3           ing, hunting, mountain biking, sightseeing, off-  
4           highway vehicle recreation on designated routes,  
5           rockhounding, and horseback riding), if the rec-  
6           reational uses are consistent with this title and  
7           any other applicable law;

8           “(C) address the designation and mainte-  
9           nance of roads, trails, and paths in the Monu-  
10          ment and take into consideration—

11           “(i) connecting trails within the  
12          Monument to trails on other adjacent pub-  
13          lic land; and

14           “(ii) establishing a trailhead at Cab-  
15          ot’s Pueblo in the city of Desert Hot  
16          Springs, California;

17          “(D) address regional fire management  
18          planning and coordination between the Director  
19          of the Bureau of Land Management, the Chief  
20          of the Forest Service, Riverside County, and  
21          San Bernardino County;

22          “(E) address the establishment of a visitor  
23          center to serve the Monument and adjacent  
24          public land; and

1           “(F) provide for the maintenance of and  
2 access to energy transport facilities and rights-  
3 of-way within the Monument.

4           “(3) PREPARATION AND IMPLEMENTATION.—

5           “(A) APPLICABLE LAW.—The Secretary  
6 shall prepare and implement the management  
7 plan in accordance with the National Environ-  
8 mental Policy Act of 1969 (42 U.S.C. 4321 et  
9 seq.) and any other applicable laws.

10           “(B) CONSULTATION.—In preparing and  
11 implementing the management plan, the Sec-  
12 retary shall periodically consult with—

13           “(i) the advisory committee estab-  
14 lished under section 1406;

15           “(ii) interested private property own-  
16 ers and holders of valid rights located  
17 within the boundaries of the Monument;  
18 and

19           “(iii) representatives of the San  
20 Manuel Band of Serrano Mission Indians,  
21 the Morongo Band of Mission Indians, and  
22 other Indian tribes with historic or cultural  
23 ties to land within, or adjacent to, the  
24 Monument regarding the management of

1 portions of the Monument that are of cul-  
2 tural importance to the Indian tribes.

3 “(4) INTERIM MANAGEMENT.—Except as other-  
4 wise prohibited by this Act, pending completion of  
5 the management plan for the Monument, the Sec-  
6 retary shall manage any Federal land and Federal  
7 interests in land within the boundary of the Monu-  
8 ment—

9 “(A) in accordance with section 1.6D of  
10 the Bureau of Land Management manual num-  
11 bered 6220, dated July 13, 2012, and entitled  
12 ‘National Monuments, National Conservation  
13 Areas, and Similar Designations’; and

14 “(B) consistent with the purposes of the  
15 Monument described in section 1402(b).

16 **“SEC. 1404. USES OF MONUMENT.**

17 “(a) USE OF OFF-HIGHWAY MOTORIZED VEHI-  
18 CLES.—

19 “(1) IN GENERAL.—Except as necessary for ad-  
20 ministrative purposes or to respond to an emer-  
21 gency, the use of off-highway motorized vehicles in  
22 the Monument (including the use of off-highway mo-  
23 torized vehicles for commercial touring) shall be per-  
24 mitted only on designated routes, subject to all ap-

1       plicable law and as authorized by the management  
2       plan.

3           “(2) INVENTORY.—Not later than 2 years after  
4       the date of enactment of this title, the Director of  
5       the Bureau of Land Management shall

6           “(A) complete an inventory of all existing  
7       routes in the Monument; and

8           “(B) designate routes concurrently with  
9       the completion of the management plan.

10       “(b) HUNTING, TRAPPING, AND FISHING.—

11           “(1) IN GENERAL.—Except as provided in para-  
12       graph (2), the Secretary shall permit hunting, trap-  
13       ping, and fishing within the Monument in accord-  
14       ance with applicable Federal and State laws (includ-  
15       ing regulations) as of the date of enactment of this  
16       title.

17           “(2) TRAPPING.—No amphibians or reptiles  
18       may be collected within the Monument.

19           “(3) REGULATIONS.—The Secretary, after con-  
20       sultation with the California Department of Fish  
21       and Wildlife, may designate zones in which, and es-  
22       tablish periods during which, hunting, trapping, and  
23       fishing shall not be allowed in the Monument for  
24       reasons of public safety, administration, resource  
25       protection, or public use and enjoyment.

1       “(c) ACCESS TO STATE AND PRIVATE LAND.—The  
2 Secretary shall provide adequate access to each owner of  
3 non-Federal land or interests in non-Federal land within  
4 the boundary of the Monument to ensure the reasonable  
5 maintenance, use, and enjoyment of the land or interest  
6 by the owner.

7       “(d) LIMITATIONS.—

8           “(1) COMMERCIAL ENTERPRISES.—Except as  
9 provided in paragraphs (2) and (3), or as required  
10 for the customary operation, maintenance, upgrade,  
11 expansion, or development of energy transport facili-  
12 ties within the rights-of-way described in subsection  
13 (e), no commercial enterprises shall be authorized  
14 within the boundary of the Monument after the date  
15 of enactment of this title.

16           “(2) AUTHORIZED EXCEPTIONS.—The Sec-  
17 retary may authorize exceptions to paragraph (1) if  
18 the Secretary determines that the commercial enter-  
19 prises would further the purposes described in sec-  
20 tion 1402(b).

21           “(3) APPLICATION.—This subsection does not  
22 apply to—

23           “(A) energy transport facilities that are  
24 owned or operated by a utility subject to regula-  
25 tion by the Federal Government or a State gov-

1           ernment or a State utility with a service obliga-  
2           tion (as those terms are defined in section 217  
3           of the Federal Power Act (16 U.S.C. 824q)); or

4           “(B) commercial vehicular touring enter-  
5           prises within the Monument that operate on  
6           designated routes.

7           “(e) ENERGY TRANSPORT FACILITIES AND RIGHTS-  
8 OF-WAY.—

9           “(1) IN GENERAL.—Subject to paragraph (2),  
10          nothing in this Act precludes, prevents, or inhibits  
11          the use of mechanized vehicles or customary oper-  
12          ation, maintenance, upgrade, expansion, relocation  
13          within an existing right-of-way, replacement, or de-  
14          velopment of energy transport facilities within exist-  
15          ing rights-of-way located in the Monument.

16          “(2) LIMITATION.—The activities described in  
17          paragraph (1) shall be conducted in a manner that  
18          minimizes the impact of the activities on Monument  
19          resources.

20          “(3) RIGHTS-OF-WAY.—The Secretary shall, to  
21          the maximum extent practicable—

22                 “(A) permit rights-of-way that best protect  
23                 the values and resources of the Monument de-  
24                 scribed in section 1402(b); and

25                 “(B) ensure that—

1                   “(i) existing rights-of-way within the  
2                   Monument are fully utilized before author-  
3                   izing any new or expanded utility right-of-  
4                   way; and

5                   “(ii) no economically, technically, or  
6                   legally feasible alternative exists outside  
7                   the Monument before authorizing a new or  
8                   expanded energy transport facility right-of-  
9                   way within the Monument.

10                   “(4) EFFECT ON EXISTING FACILITIES AND  
11                   RIGHTS-OF-WAY.—

12                   “(A) IN GENERAL.—Nothing in this sec-  
13                   tion terminates or limits any valid right-of-way  
14                   within the Monument in existence on the date  
15                   of enactment of this title (including the cus-  
16                   tomary operation, maintenance, repair, reloca-  
17                   tion within an existing right-of-way, or replace-  
18                   ment of energy transport facilities within an ex-  
19                   isting right-of-way), or other authorized right-  
20                   of-way, including a right-of-way described in  
21                   subparagraph (B).

22                   “(B) INCLUSIONS.—A right-of-way re-  
23                   ferred to in subparagraph (A) includes—

24                   “(i) a right-of-way issued, granted, or  
25                   permitted to the Southern California Edi-

1 son Company or any predecessors, succes-  
2 sors, or assigns of the Southern California  
3 Edison Company, which are referred to as  
4 the Devers-Hi Desert-Terawind-Yucca  
5 transmission line rights-of-way and  
6 Coachella, Skyborne, and Toll distribution  
7 circuit rights-of-way; and

8 “(ii) a right-of-way authorization  
9 issued on the expiration of an existing  
10 right-of-way authorization described in  
11 clause (i).

12 “(C) PUBLICATION OF PLANS.—Not later  
13 than 1 year after the date of enactment of this  
14 title, the Secretary, in consultation with the  
15 Southern California Edison Company, shall  
16 publish plans for regular and emergency access  
17 by the Southern California Edison Company to  
18 the rights-of-way of the Southern California  
19 Edison Company within the Monument.

20 “(5) UPGRADING AND EXPANSION OF EXISTING  
21 RIGHTS-OF-WAY.—Nothing in this subsection pro-  
22 hibits the upgrading (including the construction, re-  
23 location, or replacement within an existing right-of-  
24 way) or expansion of an existing energy transport  
25 facility for the purpose of increasing the trans-

1 mission capacity of the energy transport facility or  
2 for providing energy storage consistent with the re-  
3 quirements of the California Public Utilities Com-  
4 mission in—

5 “(A) existing rights-of-way within the  
6 Monument; or

7 “(B) a right-of-way issued, granted, or  
8 permitted by the Secretary that is contiguous or  
9 adjacent to existing energy transport facility  
10 rights-of-way, including existing Southern Cali-  
11 fornia Edison Sand to Snow energy transport  
12 facility rights-of-way.

13 “(6) NEW RIGHTS-OF-WAY AND NEW USES.—

14 “(A) IN GENERAL.—Except as authorized  
15 in subparagraph (B), any new rights-of-way or  
16 new uses within existing rights-of-way shall re-  
17 quire compliance with the National Environ-  
18 mental Policy Act of 1969 (42 U.S.C. 4321 et  
19 seq.).

20 “(B) APPROVAL.—New rights-of-way shall  
21 only be approved if the Secretary, in consulta-  
22 tion with applicable Federal and State agencies,  
23 determines that the new rights-of-way are con-  
24 sistent with—

25 “(i) this title;

1                   “(ii) other applicable laws;  
2                   “(iii) the purposes of the Monument  
3                   described in section 1402(b); and  
4                   “(iv) the management plan for the  
5                   Monument.

6           “(f) OVERFLIGHTS.—Nothing in this title or the  
7 management plan restricts or precludes—

8                   “(1) overflights (including low-level overflights)  
9                   of military, commercial, and general aviation aircraft  
10                   that can be seen or heard within the Monument;

11                   “(2) the designation or creation of new units of  
12                   special use airspace;

13                   “(3) the establishment of military flight train-  
14                   ing routes over the Monument; or

15                   “(4) the use (including takeoff and landing) of  
16                   helicopters and other aerial devices within valid  
17                   rights-of-way to construct or maintain energy trans-  
18                   port facilities

19           “(g) WITHDRAWALS.—

20                   “(1) IN GENERAL.—Subject to this Act and  
21                   valid existing rights and except as provided in para-  
22                   graph (2), the Federal land and interests in Federal  
23                   land included within the Monument are withdrawn  
24                   from—

1           “(A) all forms of entry, appropriation, or  
2           disposal under the public land laws;

3           “(B) location, entry, and patent under the  
4           public land mining laws;

5           “(C) operation of the mineral leasing, geo-  
6           thermal leasing, and mineral materials laws;  
7           and

8           “(D) energy development and power gen-  
9           eration.

10          “(2) EXCHANGE.—Paragraph (1) does not  
11          apply to an exchange that the Secretary determines  
12          would further the protective purposes of the Monu-  
13          ment.

14          “(h) ACCESS TO RENEWABLE ENERGY AND ENERGY  
15          TRANSPORT FACILITIES.—

16                 “(1) IN GENERAL.—On a determination by the  
17          Secretary that no reasonable alternative access ex-  
18          ists and subject to paragraph (2), the Secretary may  
19          allow new rights-of-way within the Monument to  
20          provide reasonable vehicular access to renewable en-  
21          ergy project sites and appurtenant energy transport  
22          facilities outside the boundaries of the Monument.

23                 “(2) RESTRICTIONS.—To the maximum extent  
24          practicable, the rights-of-way shall be designed and

1 sited to be consistent with the purposes of the  
2 Monument described in section 1402(b).

3 **“SEC. 1405. ACQUISITION OF LAND.**

4 “(a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary may acquire for  
5 inclusion in the Monument any land or interests in land  
6 within the boundary of the Monument owned by the State,  
7 units of local government, Indian tribes, nonprofit organi-  
8 zations, private individuals, or any other landowner only  
9 by—

10 “(1) donation;

11 “(2) exchange with a willing party; or

12 “(3) purchase from a willing seller.

13 “(b) USE OF EASEMENTS.—To the maximum extent  
14 practicable and only with the approval of the landowner,  
15 the Secretary may use permanent conservation easements  
16 to acquire an interest in land in the Monument rather  
17 than acquiring fee simple title to the land.

18 “(c) INCORPORATION OF ACQUIRED LAND AND IN-  
19 TERESTS IN LAND.—Any land or interest in land within  
20 the boundaries of the Monument that is acquired by the  
21 United States after the date of enactment of this title shall  
22 be added to and administered as part of the Monument.

23 “(d) DONATED AND ACQUIRED LAND.—

24 “(1) IN GENERAL.—All land within the bound-  
25 ary of the Monument donated to the United States

1 or acquired using amounts from the land and water  
2 conservation fund established under section 200302  
3 of title 54, United States Code, before, on, or after  
4 the date of enactment of this title—

5 “(A) is withdrawn from mineral entry;

6 “(B) shall be managed in accordance with  
7 section 2004; and

8 “(C) shall be managed consistent with the  
9 purposes of the Monument described in section  
10 1402(b).

11 “(2) EFFECT ON MONUMENT.—Land within the  
12 boundary of the Monument that is contiguous to  
13 land donated to the United States or acquired  
14 through purchase or exchange shall be managed in  
15 a manner consistent with conservation purposes,  
16 subject to applicable law.

17 **“SEC. 1406. ADVISORY COMMITTEE.**

18 “(a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary shall establish an  
19 advisory committee for the Monument, the purpose of  
20 which is to advise the Secretary with respect to the prepa-  
21 ration and implementation of the management plan re-  
22 quired by section 1403(g).

23 “(b) MEMBERSHIP.—To the maximum extent prac-  
24 ticable, the advisory committee shall include the following  
25 members, to be appointed by the Secretary:

1           “(1) A representative with expertise in natural  
2 science and research selected from a regional institu-  
3 tion of higher education or research.

4           “(2) A representative of the Department of De-  
5 fense.

6           “(3) A representative of the California Natural  
7 Resources Agency.

8           “(4) A representative of each of San  
9 Bernardino and Riverside Counties, California.

10          “(5) A representative of each of the cities of  
11 Desert Hot Springs and Yucca Valley, California.

12          “(6) A representative of the San Manuel Band  
13 of Serrano Mission Indians.

14          “(7) A representative of the Morongo Band of  
15 Mission Indians.

16          “(8) A representative of the Friends of Big  
17 Morongo Preserve.

18          “(9) A representative of The Wildlands Conser-  
19 vancy.

20          “(10) A representative of the Coachella Valley  
21 Mountains Conservancy.

22          “(11) A representative of the San Gorgonio  
23 Wilderness Association.

24          “(12) A representative of the Morongo Valley  
25 Community Services District.

1           “(13) A representative of organizations relating  
2 to each of the following recreational activities:

3                   “(A) Off-highway vehicles.

4                   “(B) Hunting.

5                   “(C) Rockhounding.

6           “(14) A representative of the Southern Cali-  
7 fornia Edison Company.

8           “(15) A representative of the Metropolitan  
9 Water District.

10          “(c) TERMS.—

11               “(1) IN GENERAL.—In appointing members  
12 under paragraphs (1) through (15) of subsection  
13 (b), the Secretary shall appoint 1 primary member  
14 and 1 alternate member that meets the qualifica-  
15 tions described in each of those paragraphs.

16               “(2) VACANCY.—

17                   “(A) PRIMARY MEMBER.—A vacancy on  
18 the advisory committee with respect to a pri-  
19 mary member shall be filled by the applicable  
20 alternate member.

21                   “(B) ALTERNATE MEMBER.—The Sec-  
22 retary shall appoint a new alternate member in  
23 the event of a vacancy with respect to an alter-  
24 nate member of the advisory committee.

25               “(3) TERMINATION.—

1           “(A) IN GENERAL.—The term of all mem-  
2           bers of the advisory committee shall terminate  
3           on the termination of the advisory committee  
4           under subsection (g).

5           “(B) NEW ADVISORY COMMITTEE.—At the  
6           discretion of the Secretary, the Secretary may  
7           establish a new advisory committee on the ter-  
8           mination of the advisory committee under sub-  
9           section (g) to provide ongoing recommendations  
10          on the management of the Monument.

11          “(d) QUORUM.—A quorum of the advisory committee  
12         shall consist of a majority of the primary members.

13          “(e) CHAIRPERSON AND PROCEDURES.—

14                 “(1) IN GENERAL.—The advisory committee  
15                 shall select a chairperson and vice chairperson from  
16                 among the primary members of the advisory com-  
17                 mittee.

18                 “(2) DUTIES.—The chairperson and vice chair-  
19                 person selected under paragraph (1) shall establish  
20                 any rules and procedures for the advisory committee  
21                 that the chairperson and vice-chairperson determine  
22                 to be necessary or desirable.

23          “(f) SERVICE WITHOUT COMPENSATION.—Members  
24         of the advisory committee shall serve without pay.

1           “(g) TERMINATION.—The advisory committee shall  
2 cease to exist on—

3           “(1) the date on which the management plan is  
4 officially adopted by the Secretary; or

5           “(2) at the discretion of the Secretary, a later  
6 date established by the Secretary.

7           **“TITLE XV—WILDERNESS**

8           **“SEC. 1501. DESIGNATION OF WILDERNESS AREAS.**

9           “(a) DESIGNATION OF WILDERNESS AREAS TO BE  
10 ADMINISTERED BY THE BUREAU OF LAND MANAGE-  
11 MENT.—In accordance with the Wilderness Act (16 U.S.C.  
12 1131 et seq.) and sections 601 and 603 of the Federal  
13 Land Policy and Management Act of 1976 (43 U.S.C.  
14 1781, 1782), the following land in the State is designated  
15 as wilderness areas and as components of the National  
16 Wilderness Preservation System:

17           “(1) AVAWATZ MOUNTAINS WILDERNESS.—Cer-  
18 tain land in the Conservation Area administered by  
19 the Director of the Bureau of Land Management,  
20 comprising approximately 87,700 acres, as generally  
21 depicted on the map entitled ‘Avawatz Mountains  
22 Proposed Wilderness’ and dated September 9, 2014,  
23 to be known as the ‘Avawatz Mountains Wilderness’.

24           “(2) GOLDEN VALLEY WILDERNESS.—Certain  
25 land in the Conservation Area administered by the

1 Director of the Bureau of Land Management, com-  
2 prising approximately 7,690 acres, as generally de-  
3 picted on the map entitled ‘Golden Valley Proposed  
4 Wilderness Additions’ and dated January 9, 2015,  
5 which shall be considered to be part of the ‘Golden  
6 Valley Wilderness’.

7 “(3) GRASS VALLEY WILDERNESS.—Certain  
8 land in the Conservation Area administered by the  
9 Director of the Bureau of Land Management, com-  
10 prising approximately 13,890 acres, as generally de-  
11 picted on the map entitled ‘Grass Valley Proposed  
12 Wilderness Additions’ and dated January 9, 2015,  
13 which shall be considered to be part of the ‘Grass  
14 Valley Wilderness’.

15 “(4) GREAT FALLS BASIN WILDERNESS.—

16 “(A) IN GENERAL.—Certain land in the  
17 Conservation Area administered by the Director  
18 of the Bureau of Land Management, com-  
19 prising approximately 7,870 acres, as generally  
20 depicted on the map entitled ‘Great Falls Basin  
21 Proposed Wilderness’ and dated October 26,  
22 2009, to be known as the ‘Great Falls Basin  
23 Wilderness’.

24 “(B) LIMITATIONS.—Designation of the  
25 wilderness under subparagraph (A) shall not es-

1           tabish a Class I Airshed under the Clean Air  
2           Act (42 U.S.C. 7401 et seq.).

3           “(5) KINGSTON RANGE WILDERNESS.—Certain  
4           land in the Conservation Area administered by the  
5           Bureau of Land Management, comprising approxi-  
6           mately 53,320 acres, as generally depicted on the  
7           map entitled ‘Kingston Range Proposed Wilderness  
8           Additions’ and dated July 15, 2009, which shall be  
9           considered to be a part of as the ‘Kingston Range  
10          Wilderness’.

11          “(6) SODA MOUNTAINS WILDERNESS.—Certain  
12          land in the Conservation Area, administered by the  
13          Bureau of Land Management, comprising approxi-  
14          mately 79,990 acres, as generally depicted on the  
15          map entitled ‘Soda Mountains Proposed Wilderness’  
16          and dated September 12, 2014, to be known as the  
17          ‘Soda Mountains Wilderness’.

18          “(b) DESIGNATION OF WILDERNESS AREAS TO BE  
19          ADMINISTERED BY THE NATIONAL PARK SERVICE.—In  
20          accordance with the Wilderness Act (16 U.S.C. 1131 et  
21          seq.) and sections 601 and 603 of the Federal Land Policy  
22          and Management Act of 1976 (43 U.S.C. 1781, 1782),  
23          the following land in the State is designated as wilderness  
24          areas and as components of the National Wilderness Pres-  
25          ervation System:

1           “(1) DEATH VALLEY NATIONAL PARK WILDER-  
2           NESS ADDITIONS-NORTH EUREKA VALLEY.—Certain  
3           land in the Conservation Area administered by the  
4           Director of the National Park Service, comprising  
5           approximately 11,496 acres, as generally depicted on  
6           the map entitled ‘Death Valley National Park Pro-  
7           posed Wilderness Area-North Eureka Valley’, num-  
8           bered 143/100,082C, and dated October 7, 2014,  
9           which shall be considered to be a part of the Death  
10          Valley National Park Wilderness.

11           “(2) DEATH VALLEY NATIONAL PARK WILDER-  
12          NESS ADDITIONS-IBEX.—Certain land in the Con-  
13          servation Area administered by the Director of the  
14          National Park Service, comprising approximately  
15          23,650 acres, as generally depicted on the map enti-  
16          tled ‘Death Valley National Park Proposed Wilder-  
17          ness Area-Ibex’, numbered 143/100,081C, and dated  
18          October 7, 2014, which shall be considered to be a  
19          part of the Death Valley National Park Wilderness.

20           “(3) DEATH VALLEY NATIONAL PARK WILDER-  
21          NESS ADDITIONS-PANAMINT VALLEY.—Certain land  
22          in the Conservation Area administered by the Direc-  
23          tor of the National Park Service, comprising ap-  
24          proximately 4,807 acres, as generally depicted on the  
25          map entitled ‘Death Valley National Park Proposed

1 Wilderness Area-Panamint Valley', numbered 143/  
2 100,083C, and dated October 7, 2014, which shall  
3 be considered to be a part of the Death Valley Na-  
4 tional Park Wilderness.

5       “(4) DEATH VALLEY NATIONAL PARK WILDER-  
6 NESS ADDITIONS-WARM SPRINGS.—Certain land in  
7 the Conservation Area administered by the Director  
8 of the National Park Service, comprising approxi-  
9 mately 10,485 acres, as generally depicted on the  
10 map entitled ‘Death Valley National Park Proposed  
11 Wilderness Area-Warm Spring Canyon/Galena Can-  
12 yon’, numbered 143/100,084C, and dated October 7,  
13 2014, which shall be considered to be a part of the  
14 Death Valley National Park Wilderness.

15       “(5) DEATH VALLEY NATIONAL PARK WILDER-  
16 NESS ADDITIONS-AXE HEAD.—Certain land in the  
17 Conservation Area administered by the Director of  
18 the National Park Service, comprising approximately  
19 8,638 acres, as generally depicted on the map enti-  
20 tled ‘Death Valley National Park Proposed Wilder-  
21 ness Area-Axe Head’, numbered 143/100,085C, and  
22 dated October 7, 2014, which shall be considered to  
23 be a part of the Death Valley National Park Wilder-  
24 ness.

1           “(6) DEATH VALLEY NATIONAL PARK WILDER-  
2           NESS ADDITIONS-BOWLING ALLEY.—Certain land in  
3           the Conservation Area administered by the Director  
4           of the Bureau of Land Management, comprising ap-  
5           proximately 32,520 acres, as generally depicted on  
6           the map entitled ‘Death Valley National Park Pro-  
7           posed Wilderness Area-Bowling Alley’, numbered  
8           143/100,086C, and dated October 7, 2014, which  
9           shall be considered to be a part of the Death Valley  
10          National Park Wilderness.

11          “(c) DESIGNATION OF WILDERNESS AREA TO BE  
12          ADMINISTERED BY THE FOREST SERVICE.—

13                 “(1) IN GENERAL.—In accordance with the Wil-  
14                 derness Act (16 U.S.C. 1131 et seq.), the land in  
15                 the State described in paragraph (2) is designated  
16                 as a wilderness area and as a component of the Na-  
17                 tional Wilderness Preservation System.

18                 “(2) DESCRIPTION OF LAND.—The land re-  
19                 ferred to in paragraph (1) is certain land in the San  
20                 Bernardino National Forest, comprising approxi-  
21                 mately 7,141 acres, as generally depicted on the  
22                 map entitled ‘Proposed Sand to Snow National  
23                 Monument’ and dated August 29, 2014, which shall  
24                 be considered to be a part of the San Gorgonio Wilder-  
25                 ness.

1           “(3) FIRE MANAGEMENT AND RELATED ACTIVI-  
2 TIES.—

3           “(A) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary may  
4 carry out such activities in the wilderness area  
5 designated by paragraph (1) as are necessary  
6 for the control of fire, insects, and disease, in  
7 accordance with section 4(d)(1) of the Wilder-  
8 ness Act (16 U.S.C. 1133(d)(1)) and House  
9 Report 98–40 of the 98th Congress.

10           “(B) FUNDING PRIORITIES.—Nothing in  
11 this subsection limits the provision of any fund-  
12 ing for fire or fuel management in the wilder-  
13 ness area designated by paragraph (1).

14           “(C) REVISION AND DEVELOPMENT OF  
15 LOCAL FIRE MANAGEMENT PLANS.—As soon as  
16 practicable after the date of enactment of this  
17 title, the Secretary shall amend the local fire  
18 management plans that apply to the wilderness  
19 area designated by paragraph (1).

20           “(D) ADMINISTRATION.—In accordance  
21 with subparagraph (A) and other applicable  
22 Federal law, to ensure a timely and efficient re-  
23 sponse to fire emergencies in the wilderness  
24 area designated by paragraph (1), the Secretary  
25 shall—

1                   “(i) not later than 1 year after the  
2                   date of enactment of this title, establish  
3                   agency approval procedures (including ap-  
4                   propriate delegations of authority to the  
5                   Forest Supervisor, District Manager, or  
6                   other agency officials) for responding to  
7                   fire emergencies in the wilderness area des-  
8                   ignated by paragraph (1); and

9                   “(ii) enter into agreements with ap-  
10                  propriate State or local firefighting agen-  
11                  cies relating to that wilderness area.

12 **“SEC. 1502. MANAGEMENT.**

13                  “(a) ADJACENT MANAGEMENT.—

14                  “(1) IN GENERAL.—Nothing in this title creates  
15                  any protective perimeter or buffer zone around the  
16                  wilderness areas designated by section 1501.

17                  “(2) ACTIVITIES OUTSIDE WILDERNESS  
18                  AREAS.—

19                  “(A) IN GENERAL.—The fact that an ac-  
20                  tivity (including military activities) or use on  
21                  land outside a wilderness area designated by  
22                  section 1501 can be seen or heard within the  
23                  wilderness area shall not preclude or restrict  
24                  the activity or use outside the boundary of the  
25                  wilderness area.

1                   “(B) EFFECT ON NONWILDERNESS ACTIVI-  
2 TIES.—

3                   “(i) IN GENERAL.—In any permitting  
4 proceeding (including a review under the  
5 National Environmental Policy Act of  
6 1969 (42 U.S.C. 4321 et seq.)) conducted  
7 with respect to a project described in  
8 clause (ii) that is formally initiated  
9 through a notice in the Federal Register  
10 before December 31, 2013, the consider-  
11 ation of any visual, noise, or other impacts  
12 of the project on a wilderness area des-  
13 igned by section 1501 shall be conducted  
14 based on the status of the area before des-  
15 igation as wilderness.

16                   “(ii) DESCRIPTION OF PROJECTS.—A  
17 project referred to in clause (i) is a renew-  
18 able energy project or associated energy  
19 transport facility project—

20                   “(I) for which the Bureau of  
21 Land Management has received a  
22 right-of-way use application on or be-  
23 fore the date of enactment of this  
24 title; and

1                   “(II) that is located outside the  
2                   boundary of a wilderness area des-  
3                   ignated by section 1501.

4                   “(3) NO ADDITIONAL REGULATION.—Nothing  
5                   in this title requires additional regulation of activi-  
6                   ties on land outside the boundary of the wilderness  
7                   areas.

8                   “(4) EFFECT ON MILITARY OPERATIONS.—  
9                   Nothing in this title alters any authority of the Sec-  
10                  retary of Defense to conduct any military operations  
11                  at desert installations, facilities, and ranges of the  
12                  State that are authorized under any other provision  
13                  of law.

14                  “(5) EFFECT ON UTILITY FACILITIES AND  
15                  RIGHTS-OF-WAY.—

16                         “(A) IN GENERAL.—Subject to paragraph  
17                         (2), nothing in this title terminates or precludes  
18                         the renewal or reauthorization of any valid ex-  
19                         isting right-of-way or customary operation,  
20                         maintenance, repair, upgrading, or replacement  
21                         activities in a right-of-way, issued, granted, or  
22                         permitted to the Southern California Edison  
23                         Company or predecessors, successors, or assigns  
24                         of the Southern California Edison Company  
25                         that is located on land included in the San

1 Gorgonio Wilderness Area or the Sand to Snow  
2 National Monument.

3 “(B) LIMITATION.—The activities de-  
4 scribed in subparagraph (A) shall be conducted  
5 in a manner that minimizes the impact of the  
6 activities resources of the San Gorgonio Wilder-  
7 ness Area or the Sand to Snow National Monu-  
8 ment.

9 “(C) APPLICABLE LAW.—In accordance  
10 with the National Environmental Policy Act of  
11 1969 (42 U.S.C. 4321 et seq.), any approval re-  
12 quired for an increase in the voltage of the  
13 Coachella distribution circuit shall require con-  
14 sideration of alternative alignments, including  
15 alignments adjacent to State Route 62.

16 “(b) MAPS; LEGAL DESCRIPTIONS.—

17 “(1) IN GENERAL.—As soon as practicable  
18 after the date of enactment of this title, the Sec-  
19 retary shall file a map and legal description of each  
20 wilderness area and wilderness addition designated  
21 by section 1501 with—

22 “(A) the Committee on Natural Resources  
23 of the House of Representatives; and

24 “(B) the Committee on Energy and Nat-  
25 ural Resources of the Senate.

1           “(2) FORCE OF LAW.—A map and legal de-  
2           scription filed under paragraph (1) shall have the  
3           same force and effect as if included in this title, ex-  
4           cept that the Secretary may correct errors in the  
5           maps and legal descriptions.

6           “(3) PUBLIC AVAILABILITY.—Each map and  
7           legal description filed under paragraph (1) shall be  
8           filed and made available for public inspection in the  
9           appropriate office of the Secretary.

10          “(c) ADMINISTRATION.—Subject to valid existing  
11 rights, the land designated as wilderness or as a wilder-  
12 ness addition by section 1501 shall be administered by the  
13 Secretary in accordance with this Act and the Wilderness  
14 Act (16 U.S.C. 1131 et seq.), except that any reference  
15 in that Act to the effective date shall be considered to be  
16 a reference to the date of enactment of this title.

17 **“SEC. 1503. RELEASE OF WILDERNESS STUDY AREAS.**

18          “(a) FINDING.—Congress finds that, for purposes of  
19 section 603 of the Federal Land Policy and Management  
20 Act of 1976 (43 U.S.C. 1782), any portion of a wilderness  
21 study area described in subsection (b) that is not des-  
22 ignated as a wilderness area or wilderness addition by sec-  
23 tion 1501 or any other Act enacted before the date of en-  
24 actment of this title has been adequately studied for wil-  
25 derness.

1       “(b) DESCRIPTION OF STUDY AREAS.—The study  
2 areas referred to in subsection (a) are—

3           “(1) the Cady Mountains Wilderness Study  
4 Area;

5           “(2) the Kingston Range Wilderness Study  
6 Area;

7           “(3) the Avawatz Mountain Wilderness Study  
8 Area;

9           “(4) the Death Valley National Park Boundary  
10 and Wilderness 17 Wilderness Study Area;

11           “(5) the Great Falls Basin Wilderness Study  
12 Area; and

13           “(6) the Soda Mountains Wilderness Study  
14 Area.

15       “(c) RELEASE.—Any portion of a wilderness study  
16 area described in subsection (b) that is not designated as  
17 a wilderness area or wilderness addition by section 1501  
18 is no longer subject to section 603(c) of the Federal Land  
19 Policy and Management Act of 1976 (43 U.S.C. 1782(c)).

20       **“TITLE XVI—DESIGNATION OF**  
21       **SPECIAL MANAGEMENT AREA**

22       **“SEC. 1601. DEFINITIONS.**

23       “In this title:

1           “(1) MANAGEMENT AREA.—The term ‘Manage-  
2           ment Area’ means the Vinagre Wash Special Man-  
3           agement Area.

4           “(2) MAP.—The term ‘map’ means the map en-  
5           titled ‘Vinagre Wash Proposed Special Management  
6           Area’ and dated November 10, 2009.

7           “(3) PUBLIC LAND.—The term ‘public land’  
8           has the meaning given the term ‘public lands’ in sec-  
9           tion 103 of the Federal Land Policy and Manage-  
10          ment Act of 1976 (43 U.S.C. 1702).

11          “(4) SECRETARY.—The term ‘Secretary’ means  
12          the Secretary of the Interior.

13          **“SEC. 1602. VINAGRE WASH SPECIAL MANAGEMENT AREA.**

14          “(a) ESTABLISHMENT.—There is established the  
15          Vinagre Wash Special Management Area in the State, to  
16          be managed by the El Centro Field Office and the Yuma  
17          Field Office of the Bureau of Land Management.

18          “(b) PURPOSE.—The purpose of the Management  
19          Area is to conserve, protect, and enhance—

20                 “(1) the plant and wildlife values of the Man-  
21                 agement Area; and

22                 “(2) the outstanding and nationally significant  
23                 ecological, geological, scenic, recreational, archae-  
24                 ological, cultural, historic, and other resources of the  
25                 Management Area.

1       “(c) BOUNDARIES.—The Management Area shall  
2 consist of the public land in Imperial County, California,  
3 comprising approximately 81,880 acres, as generally de-  
4 picted on the map.

5       “(d) MAP; LEGAL DESCRIPTION.—

6           “(1) IN GENERAL.—As soon as practicable, but  
7 not later than 3 years, after the date of enactment  
8 of this title, the Secretary shall submit a map and  
9 legal description of the Management Area to—

10                   “(A) the Committee on Natural Resources  
11 of the House of Representatives; and

12                   “(B) the Committee on Energy and Nat-  
13 ural Resources of the Senate.

14           “(2) EFFECT.—The map and legal description  
15 submitted under paragraph (1) shall have the same  
16 force and effect as if included in this title, except  
17 that the Secretary may correct any errors in the  
18 map and legal description.

19           “(3) AVAILABILITY.—Copies of the map sub-  
20 mitted under paragraph (1) shall be on file and  
21 available for public inspection in—

22                   “(A) the Office of the Director of the Bu-  
23 reau of Land Management; and

24                   “(B) the appropriate office of the Bureau  
25 of Land Management in the State.

1 **“SEC. 1603. MANAGEMENT.**

2       “(a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary shall allow hiking,  
3 camping, hunting, and sightseeing and the use of motor-  
4 ized vehicles, mountain bikes, and horses on designated  
5 routes in the Management Area in a manner that—

6           “(1) is consistent with the purpose of the Man-  
7 agement Area described in section 1602(b);

8           “(2) ensures public health and safety; and

9           “(3) is consistent with applicable law.

10 **“(b) OFF-HIGHWAY VEHICLE USE.—**

11       “(1) IN GENERAL.—Subject to paragraphs (2)  
12 and (3) and all other applicable laws, the use of off-  
13 highway vehicles shall be permitted on routes in the  
14 Management Area generally depicted on the map.

15       “(2) CLOSURE.—The Secretary may tempo-  
16 rarily close or permanently reroute a portion of a  
17 route described in paragraph (1)—

18           “(A) to prevent, or allow for restoration of,  
19 resource damage;

20           “(B) to protect tribal cultural resources,  
21 including the resources identified in the tribal  
22 cultural resources management plan developed  
23 under section 1905(c);

24           “(C) to address public safety concerns; or

25           “(D) as otherwise required by law.

1           “(3) DESIGNATION OF ADDITIONAL ROUTES.—

2           During the 3-year period beginning on the date of  
3           enactment of this title, the Secretary—

4                   “(A) shall accept petitions from the public  
5           regarding additional routes for off-highway ve-  
6           hicles; and

7                   “(B) may designate additional routes that  
8           the Secretary determines—

9                           “(i) would provide significant or  
10                           unique recreational opportunities; and

11                           “(ii) are consistent with the purposes  
12                           of the Management Area.

13           “(c) WITHDRAWAL.—Subject to valid existing rights,  
14           all Federal land within the Management Area is with-  
15           drawn from—

16                   “(1) all forms of entry, appropriation, or dis-  
17           posal under the public land laws;

18                   “(2) location, entry, and patent under the min-  
19           ing laws; and

20                   “(3) right-of-way, leasing, or disposition under  
21           all laws relating to—

22                           “(A) minerals; or

23                           “(B) solar, wind, and geothermal energy.

24           “(d) NO BUFFERS.—The establishment of the Man-  
25           agement Area shall not—

1           “(1) create a protective perimeter or buffer  
2           zone around the Management Area; or

3           “(2) preclude uses or activities outside the  
4           Management Area that are permitted under other  
5           applicable laws, even if the uses or activities are pro-  
6           hibited within the Management Area.

7           “(e) NOTICE OF AVAILABLE ROUTES.—The Sec-  
8           retary shall ensure that visitors to the Management Area  
9           have access to adequate notice relating to the availability  
10          of designated routes in the Management Area through—

11           “(1) the placement of appropriate signage along  
12          the designated routes;

13           “(2) the distribution of maps, safety education  
14          materials, and other information that the Secretary  
15          determines to be appropriate; and

16           “(3) restoration of areas that are not des-  
17          ignated as open routes, including vertical mulching.

18          “(f) STEWARDSHIP.—The Secretary, in consultation  
19          with Indian tribes and other interests, shall develop a pro-  
20          gram to provide opportunities for monitoring and steward-  
21          ship of the Management Area to minimize environmental  
22          impacts and prevent resource damage from recreational  
23          use, including volunteer assistance with—

24           “(1) route signage;

25           “(2) restoration of closed routes;

1           “(3) protection of Management Area resources;

2           and

3           “(4) recreation education.

4           “(g) PROTECTION OF TRIBAL CULTURAL RE-  
5 SOURCES.—Not later than 2 years after the date of enact-  
6 ment of this title, the Secretary, in accordance with chap-  
7 ter 2003 of title 54, United States Code, and any other  
8 applicable law, shall—

9           “(1) prepare and complete a tribal cultural re-  
10 sources survey of the Management Area; and

11           “(2) consult with the Quechan Indian Nation  
12 and other Indian tribes demonstrating ancestral, cul-  
13 tural, or other ties to the resources within the Man-  
14 agement Area on the development and implementa-  
15 tion of the tribal cultural resources survey under  
16 paragraph (1).

17 **“SEC. 1604. POTENTIAL WILDERNESS.**

18           “(a) PROTECTION OF WILDERNESS CHARACTER.—

19           “(1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary shall man-  
20 age the Federal land in the Management Area de-  
21 scribed in paragraph (2) in a manner that preserves  
22 the character of the land for the eventual inclusion  
23 of the land in the National Wilderness Preservation  
24 System.

1           “(2) DESCRIPTION OF LAND.—The Federal  
2 land described in this paragraph is—

3           “(A) the approximately 10,860 acres of  
4 land, as generally depicted as the Indian Pass  
5 Additions on the map entitled ‘Vinagre Wash  
6 Proposed Special Management Area’ and dated  
7 November 10, 2009;

8           “(B) the approximately 17,250 acres of  
9 land, as generally depicted as Milpitas Wash  
10 Potential Wilderness on the map entitled  
11 ‘Vinagre Wash Proposed Special Management  
12 Area’ and dated November 10, 2009;

13           “(C) the approximately 11,840 acres of  
14 land, as generally depicted as Buzzards Peak  
15 Potential Wilderness on the map entitled  
16 ‘Vinagre Wash Proposed Special Management  
17 Area’ and dated November 10, 2009; and

18           “(D) the approximately 9,350 acres of  
19 land, as generally depicted as Palo Verde  
20 Mountains Potential Wilderness on the map en-  
21 titled ‘Vinagre Wash Proposed Special Manage-  
22 ment Area’ and dated November 10, 2009.

23           “(3) USE OF LAND.—

24           “(A) MILITARY USES.—The Secretary  
25 shall manage the Federal land in the Manage-

1           ment Area described in paragraph (2) in a  
2           manner that is consistent with the Wilderness  
3           Act (16 U.S.C. 1131 et seq.), except that the  
4           Secretary may authorize use of the land by the  
5           Secretary of the Navy for Naval Special War-  
6           fare Tactical Training, including long-range  
7           small unit training and navigation, vehicle con-  
8           cealment, and vehicle sustainment training, in  
9           accordance with applicable Federal laws.

10           “(B) PROHIBITED USES.—The following  
11           shall be prohibited on the Federal land de-  
12           scribed in paragraph (2):

13                   “(i) Permanent roads.

14                   “(ii) Commercial enterprises.

15                   “(iii) Except as necessary to meet the  
16           minimum requirements for the administra-  
17           tion of the Federal land and to protect  
18           public health and safety—

19                           “(I) the use of mechanized vehi-  
20                           cles; and

21                           “(II) the establishment of tem-  
22                           porary roads.

23           “(4) WILDERNESS DESIGNATION.—

24                   “(A) IN GENERAL.—The Federal land de-  
25           scribed in paragraph (2) shall be designated as

1 wilderness and as a component of the National  
2 Wilderness Preservation System on the date on  
3 which the Secretary, in consultation with the  
4 Secretary of Defense, publishes a notice in the  
5 Federal Register that all activities on the Fed-  
6 eral land that are incompatible with the Wilder-  
7 ness Act (16 U.S.C. 1131 et seq.) have termi-  
8 nated.

9 “(B) DESIGNATION.—On designation of  
10 the Federal land under clause (i)—

11 “(i) the land described in paragraph  
12 (2)(A) shall be incorporated in, and shall  
13 be considered to be a part of, the Indian  
14 Pass Wilderness;

15 “(ii) the land described in paragraph  
16 (2)(B) shall be designated as the ‘Milpitas  
17 Wash Wilderness’;

18 “(iii) the land described in paragraph  
19 (2)(C) shall be designated as the ‘Buzzard  
20 Peak Wilderness’; and

21 “(iv) the land described in paragraph  
22 (2)(D) shall be incorporated in, and shall  
23 be considered to be a part of, the Palo-  
24 Verde Mountains Wilderness.

1           “(b) ADMINISTRATION OF WILDERNESS.—Subject to  
2 valid existing rights, the land designated as wilderness or  
3 as a wilderness addition by this title shall be administered  
4 by the Secretary in accordance with this Act and the Wil-  
5 derness Act (16 U.S.C. 1131 et seq.).

6           **“TITLE XVII—NATIONAL PARK**  
7                               **SYSTEM ADDITIONS**

8           **“SEC. 1701. DEATH VALLEY NATIONAL PARK BOUNDARY RE-**  
9                               **VISION.**

10           “(a) IN GENERAL.—The boundary of Death Valley  
11 National Park is adjusted to include—

12                       “(1) the approximately 33,000 acres of Bureau  
13 of Land Management land in Inyo County, Cali-  
14 fornia, abutting the southern end of the Death Val-  
15 ley National Park that lies between Death Valley  
16 National Park to the north and Ft. Irwin Military  
17 Reservation to the south and which runs approxi-  
18 mately 34 miles from west to east, as depicted on  
19 the map entitled ‘Death Valley National Park Pro-  
20 posed Boundary Addition-Bowling Alley’, numbered  
21 143/100,080C, and dated October 7, 2014; and

22                       “(2) the approximately 6,369 acres of Bureau  
23 of Land Management land in Inyo County, Cali-  
24 fornia, located in the northeast area of Death Valley  
25 National Park that is within, and surrounded by,

1 land under the jurisdiction of the Director of the  
2 National Park Service, as depicted on the map enti-  
3 tled ‘Death Valley National Park Proposed Bound-  
4 ary Addition-Crater’, numbered 143/100,079C, and  
5 dated October 7, 2014.

6 “(b) AVAILABILITY OF MAP.—The maps described in  
7 paragraphs (1) and (2) of subsection (a) shall be on file  
8 and available for public inspection in the appropriate of-  
9 fices of the National Park Service.

10 “(c) ADMINISTRATION.—The Secretary of the Inte-  
11 rior (referred to in this title as the ‘Secretary’) shall—

12 “(1) administer any land added to Death Valley  
13 National Park under subsection (a)—

14 “(A) as part of Death Valley National  
15 Park; and

16 “(B) in accordance with applicable laws  
17 (including regulations); and

18 “(2) not later than 180 days after the date of  
19 enactment of this title, develop a memorandum of  
20 understanding with Inyo County, California, permit-  
21 ting ongoing access and use to existing gravel pits  
22 along Saline Valley Road within Death Valley Na-  
23 tional Park for road maintenance and repairs in ac-  
24 cordance with applicable laws (including regula-  
25 tions).

1 **“SEC. 1702. MOJAVE NATIONAL PRESERVE.**

2 “(a) IN GENERAL.—The boundary of the Mojave Na-  
3 tional Preserve is adjusted to include—

4 “(1) the 21,000 acres of Bureau of Land Man-  
5 agement land that is surrounded by the Mojave Na-  
6 tional Preserve to the northwest, west, southwest,  
7 south, and southeast and by the Nevada State line  
8 on the northeast boundary, as depicted as the ‘Pro-  
9 posed Boundary Expansion’ on the map entitled  
10 ‘Mojave National Preserve Proposed Boundary Ex-  
11 pansion’, numbered 170/127,739, and dated Janu-  
12 ary 2015; and

13 “(2) the 25 acres of Bureau of Land Manage-  
14 ment land in Baker, California, as depicted on the  
15 map entitled ‘Mojave National Preserve Proposed  
16 Boundary Addition’, numbered 170/100,199, and  
17 dated August 2009.

18 “(b) FUTURE MOJAVE NATIONAL PRESERVE ADDI-  
19 TION.—The boundary of the Mojave National Preserve  
20 shall be adjusted to include the 8,000 acres of Bureau of  
21 Land Management land depicted as the ‘Castle Mountain  
22 Mine Area and Access Road’ on the map entitled the ‘Mo-  
23 jave National Preserve Proposed Boundary Addition’,  
24 numbered 170/127,739, and dated January 2015, on the  
25 completion of the earlier of—

1           “(1) the termination and reclamation of all  
2           mining and mining-related activities as determined  
3           by the Secretary; or

4           “(2) a period of 10 years, beginning on the date  
5           of enactment of this title, during which no legally  
6           permissible commercial mining activities have oc-  
7           curred pursuant to a plan of development for the  
8           Castle Mountain Mine approved by the Bureau of  
9           Land Management.

10          “(c) AVAILABILITY OF MAPS.—The maps described  
11          in subsections (a) and (b) shall be on file and available  
12          for public inspection in the appropriate offices of the Na-  
13          tional Park Service.

14          “(d) ADMINISTRATION.—

15                 “(1) IN GENERAL.—Except as described in sub-  
16                 section (e), the Secretary shall administer any land  
17                 added to Mojave National Preserve under this  
18                 title—

19                         “(A) as part of the Mojave National Pre-  
20                         serve; and

21                         “(B) in accordance with applicable laws  
22                         (including regulations).

23                 “(2) EFFECT ON VALID EXISTING RIGHTS.—  
24                 Nothing in this title affects valid existing rights or  
25                 precludes, prevents, or inhibits mining or mining-re-

1       lated activities authorized under a plan of develop-  
2       ment for the land described in subsection (b) and  
3       approved by the Bureau of Land Management.

4           “(3) EFFECT ON PRIVATE PROPERTY  
5       RIGHTS.—Nothing in this title affects any private  
6       property right (including a water development right)  
7       within the boundaries of the Mojave National Pre-  
8       serve.

9           “(e) NEW RIGHTS-OF-WAY.—

10           “(1) IN GENERAL.—Consideration of any right-  
11       of-way application within land described in sub-  
12       section (a) for the purpose of providing water re-  
13       sources necessary for the operation of the Castle  
14       Mountain Mine shall remain within the jurisdiction  
15       and authority of the Bureau of Land Management.

16           “(2) CONSIDERATION OF APPLICATIONS.—The  
17       Director of the Bureau of Land Management shall  
18       consider any proposed plan of development, modi-  
19       fications to the plan, and associated right-of-way ap-  
20       plications for the Castle Mountain Mine in accord-  
21       ance with the Federal Land Policy and Management  
22       Act of 1976 (43 U.S.C. 1701 et seq.) and any other  
23       laws (including regulations) applicable to the land  
24       described in subsection (b) prior to the date of en-  
25       actment of this title.

1           “(3) EXPIRATION OF AUTHORITY.—The author-  
2           ity of the Director of the Bureau of Land Manage-  
3           ment described in paragraphs (1) and (2) shall ex-  
4           pire 10 years after the date of enactment of this  
5           title.

6           “(4) TREATMENT OF NEW RIGHTS-OF-WAY.—  
7           Any new right-of-way approved by the Director of  
8           the Bureau of Land Management under this sub-  
9           section shall be considered a valid existing right-of-  
10          way only if the right-of-way is included in an ap-  
11          proved plan of development for Castle Mountain  
12          Mine.

13 **“SEC. 1703. JOSHUA TREE NATIONAL PARK BOUNDARY RE-**  
14 **VISION.**

15          “(a) IN GENERAL.—The boundary of the Joshua  
16          Tree National Park is adjusted to include—

17                 “(1) the 2,879 acres of land managed by Direc-  
18                 tor of the Bureau of Land Management that are  
19                 contiguous at several different places to the northern  
20                 boundaries of Joshua Tree National Park in the  
21                 northwest section of the Park, as depicted on the  
22                 map entitled ‘Joshua Tree National Park Proposed  
23                 Boundary Additions’, numbered 156/100,077, and  
24                 dated August 2009; and

1           “(2) the 1,639 acres of land to be acquired  
2           from the Mojave Desert Land Trust that are contig-  
3           uous at several different places to the northern  
4           boundaries of Joshua Tree National Park in the  
5           northwest section of the Park, as depicted on the  
6           map entitled ‘Mojave Desert Land Trust National  
7           Park Service Additions’, numbered 156/126,376,  
8           and dated September 2014.

9           “(b) AVAILABILITY OF MAPS.—The map described in  
10          subsection (a) and the map depicting the 25 acres de-  
11          scribed in subsection (c)(2) shall be on file and available  
12          for public inspection in the appropriate offices of the Na-  
13          tional Park Service.

14          “(c) ADMINISTRATION.—

15                 “(1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary shall admin-  
16                 ister any land added to the Joshua Tree National  
17                 Park under subsection (a) and the additional land  
18                 described in paragraph (2)—

19                         “(A) as part of Joshua Tree National  
20                         Park; and

21                         “(B) in accordance with applicable laws  
22                         (including regulations).

23                 “(2) DESCRIPTION OF ADDITIONAL LAND.—The  
24                 additional land referred to in paragraph (1) is the  
25                 25 acres of land—

1           “(A) depicted on the map entitled ‘Joshua  
2           Tree National Park Boundary Adjustment  
3           Map’, numbered 156/80,049, and dated April 1,  
4           2003;

5           “(B) added to Joshua Tree National Park  
6           by the notice of the Department Interior of Au-  
7           gust 28, 2003 (68 Fed. Reg. 51799); and

8           “(C) more particularly described as lots  
9           26, 27, 28, 33, and 34 in sec. 34, T. 1 N., R.  
10          8 E., San Bernardino Meridian.

11          “(d) SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA EDISON COMPANY EN-  
12          ERGY TRANSPORT FACILITIES AND RIGHTS-OF-WAY.—

13           “(1) IN GENERAL.—Nothing in this title termi-  
14          nates any valid right-of-way for the customary oper-  
15          ation, maintenance, upgrade, repair, relocation with-  
16          in an existing right-of-way, replacement, or other au-  
17          thorized energy transport facility activities in a  
18          right-of-way issued, granted, or permitted to the  
19          Southern California Edison Company or the prede-  
20          cessors, successors, or assigns of the Southern Cali-  
21          fornia Edison Company that is located on land de-  
22          scribed in paragraphs (1) and (2) of subsection (a),  
23          including, at a minimum, the use of mechanized ve-  
24          hicles, helicopters, or other aerial devices.

1           “(2) UPGRADES AND REPLACEMENTS.—Noth-  
2           ing in this title prohibits the upgrading or replace-  
3           ment of—

4                   “(A) Southern California Edison Company  
5                   energy transport facilities, including the energy  
6                   transport facilities referred to as the Jellystone,  
7                   Burnt Mountain, Whitehorn, Allegra, and Utah  
8                   distribution circuits rights-of-way; or

9                   “(B) an energy transport facility in rights-  
10                  of-way issued, granted, or permitted by the Sec-  
11                  retary adjacent to Southern California Edison  
12                  Joshua Tree Utility Facilities.

13           “(3) PUBLICATION OF PLANS.—Not later than  
14           the date that is 1 year after the date of enactment  
15           of this title or the issuance of a new energy trans-  
16           port facility right-of-way within the Joshua Tree Na-  
17           tional Park, whichever is earlier, the Secretary, in  
18           consultation with the Southern California Edison  
19           Company, shall publish plans for regular and emer-  
20           gency access by the Southern California Edison  
21           Company to the rights-of-way of the Southern Cali-  
22           fornia Edison Company within Joshua Tree Na-  
23           tional Park.

1 **“SEC. 1704. AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.**

2 “There are authorized to be appropriated such sums  
3 as are necessary to carry out this title.

4 **“TITLE XVIII—OFF-HIGHWAY**  
5 **VEHICLE RECREATION AREAS**

6 **“SEC. 1801. DESIGNATION OF OFF-HIGHWAY VEHICLE**  
7 **RECREATION AREAS.**

8 “(a) DESIGNATION.—In accordance with the Federal  
9 Land Policy and Management Act of 1976 (43 U.S.C.  
10 1701 et seq.) and resource management plans developed  
11 under this title and subject to valid rights, the following  
12 land within the Conservation Area in San Bernardino  
13 County, California, is designated as Off-Highway Vehicle  
14 Recreation Areas:

15 “(1) DUMONT DUNES OFF-HIGHWAY VEHICLE  
16 RECREATION AREA.—Certain Bureau of Land Man-  
17 agement land in the Conservation Area, comprising  
18 approximately 7,630 acres, as generally depicted on  
19 the map entitled ‘Dumont Dunes Proposed National  
20 OHV Recreation Area’ and dated January 5, 2015,  
21 which shall be known as the ‘Dumont Dunes Off-  
22 Highway Vehicle Recreation Area’.

23 “(2) EL MIRAGE OFF-HIGHWAY VEHICLE  
24 RECREATION AREA.—Certain Bureau of Land Man-  
25 agement land in the Conservation Area, comprising  
26 approximately 14,930 acres, as generally depicted on

1 the map entitled 'El Mirage Proposed National OHV  
2 Recreation Area' and dated July 15, 2009, which  
3 shall be known as the 'El Mirage Off-Highway Vehi-  
4 cle Recreation Area'.

5 “(3) RASOR OFF-HIGHWAY VEHICLE RECRE-  
6 ATION AREA.—Certain Bureau of Land Management  
7 land in the Conservation Area, comprising approxi-  
8 mately 23,910 acres, as generally depicted on the  
9 map entitled 'Rasor Proposed National OHV Recre-  
10 ation Area' and dated July 15, 2009, which shall be  
11 known as the 'Rasor Off-Highway Vehicle Recre-  
12 ation Area'.

13 “(4) SPANGLER HILLS OFF-HIGHWAY VEHICLE  
14 RECREATION AREA.—Certain Bureau of Land Man-  
15 agement land in the Conservation Area, comprising  
16 approximately 56,140 acres, as generally depicted on  
17 the map entitled 'Spangler Hills Proposed National  
18 OHV Recreation Area' and dated July 16, 2009,  
19 which shall be known as the 'Spangler Off-Highway  
20 Vehicle Recreation Area'.

21 “(5) STODDARD VALLEY OFF-HIGHWAY VEHI-  
22 CLE RECREATION AREA.—Certain Bureau of Land  
23 Management land in the Conservation Area, com-  
24 prising approximately 40,110 acres, as generally de-  
25 picted on the map entitled 'Stoddard Valley Pro-

1 posed National OHV Recreation Area' and dated  
2 July 16, 2009, which shall be known as the 'Stod-  
3 dard Valley Off-Highway Vehicle Recreation Area'.

4 "(b) PURPOSE.—The purpose of the off-highway ve-  
5 hicle recreation areas designated under subsection (a) is  
6 to preserve and enhance the recreational opportunities  
7 within the Conservation Area (including opportunities for  
8 off-highway vehicle recreation), while conserving the wild-  
9 life and other natural resource values of the Conservation  
10 Area.

11 "(c) MAPS AND DESCRIPTIONS.—

12 "(1) PREPARATION AND SUBMISSION.—As soon  
13 as practicable after the date of enactment of this  
14 title, the Secretary shall file a map and legal de-  
15 scription of each off-highway vehicle recreation area  
16 designated by subsection (a) with—

17 "(A) the Committee on Natural Resources  
18 of the House of Representatives; and

19 "(B) the Committee on Energy and Nat-  
20 ural Resources of the Senate.

21 "(2) LEGAL EFFECT.—The map and legal de-  
22 scriptions of the off-highway vehicle recreation areas  
23 filed under paragraph (1) shall have the same force  
24 and effect as if included in this title, except that the

1 Secretary may correct errors in the map and legal  
2 descriptions.

3 “(3) PUBLIC AVAILABILITY.—Each map and  
4 legal description filed under paragraph (1) shall be  
5 filed and made available for public inspection in the  
6 appropriate offices of the Bureau of Land Manage-  
7 ment.

8 “(d) USE OF THE LAND.—

9 “(1) RECREATIONAL ACTIVITIES.—

10 “(A) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary shall  
11 continue to authorize, maintain, and enhance  
12 the recreational uses of the off-highway vehicle  
13 recreation areas designated by subsection (a),  
14 including off-highway recreation, hiking, camp-  
15 ing, hunting, mountain biking, sightseeing,  
16 rockhounding, and horseback riding, as long as  
17 the recreational use is consistent with this sec-  
18 tion and any other applicable law.

19 “(B) OFF-HIGHWAY VEHICLE AND OFF-  
20 HIGHWAY RECREATION.—To the extent con-  
21 sistent with applicable Federal law (including  
22 regulations) and this section, any authorized  
23 recreation activities and use designations in ef-  
24 fect on the date of enactment of this title and  
25 applicable to the off-highway vehicle recreation

1 areas designated by subsection (a) shall con-  
2 tinue, including casual off-highway vehicular  
3 use, racing, competitive events, rock crawling,  
4 training, and other forms of off-highway recre-  
5 ation.

6 “(2) WILDLIFE GUZZLERS.—Wildlife guzzlers  
7 shall be allowed in the off-highway vehicle recreation  
8 areas designated by subsection (a) in accordance  
9 with—

10 “(A) applicable Bureau of Land Manage-  
11 ment guidelines; and

12 “(B) State law.

13 “(3) PROHIBITED USES.—Commercial develop-  
14 ment (including development of mining and energy  
15 facilities, but excluding energy transport facilities,  
16 rights-of-way, and related telecommunication facili-  
17 ties) shall be prohibited in the off-highway vehicle  
18 recreation areas designated by subsection (a) if the  
19 Secretary determines that the development is incom-  
20 patible with the purpose described in subsection (b).

21 “(e) ADMINISTRATION.—

22 “(1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary shall admin-  
23 ister the off-highway vehicle recreation areas des-  
24 ignated by subsection (a) in accordance with—

25 “(A) this title;

1           “(B) the Federal Land Policy and Man-  
2           agement Act of 1976 (43 U.S.C. 1701 et seq.);  
3           and

4           “(C) any other applicable laws (including  
5           regulations).

6           “(2) MANAGEMENT PLAN.—

7           “(A) IN GENERAL.—As soon as prac-  
8           ticable, but not later than 3 years after the date  
9           of enactment of this title, the Secretary shall—

10           “(i) amend existing resource manage-  
11           ment plans applicable to the land des-  
12           ignated as off-highway vehicle recreation  
13           areas under subsection (a); or

14           “(ii) develop new management plans  
15           for each off-highway vehicle recreation  
16           area designated under that subsection.

17           “(B) REQUIREMENTS.—All new or amend-  
18           ed plans under subparagraph (A) shall be de-  
19           signed to preserve and enhance safe off-highway  
20           vehicle and other recreational opportunities  
21           within the applicable recreation area consistent  
22           with—

23           “(i) the purpose described in sub-  
24           section (b); and

1                   “(ii) any applicable laws (including  
2                   regulations).

3                   “(C) INTERIM PLANS.—Pending comple-  
4                   tion of a new management plan under subpara-  
5                   graph (A), the existing resource management  
6                   plans shall govern the use of the applicable off-  
7                   highway vehicle recreation area.

8                   “(f) STUDY.—

9                   “(1) IN GENERAL.—As soon as practicable, but  
10                  not later than 2 years, after the date of enactment  
11                  of this title, the Secretary shall complete a study to  
12                  identify Bureau of Land Management land within  
13                  the Conservation Area that is suitable for addition  
14                  to—

15                  “(A) the national off-highway vehicle recre-  
16                  ation areas designated by subsection (a); or

17                  “(B) the Johnson Valley Off-Highway Ve-  
18                  hicle Recreation Area designated by section  
19                  2945 of the National Defense Authorization Act  
20                  for Fiscal Year 2014 (Public Law 113–66; 127  
21                  Stat. 1038).

22                  “(2) STUDY AREAS.—The study required under  
23                  paragraph (1) shall include—

24                  “(A) certain Bureau of Land Management  
25                  land in the Conservation Area, comprising ap-

1           proximately 41,000 acres, as generally depicted  
2           on the map entitled ‘Spangler Hills Proposed  
3           Expansion Study Area’ and dated January 23,  
4           2015; and

5                     “(B) certain Bureau of Land Management  
6           land in the Conservation Area, comprising ap-  
7           proximately 680 acres, as generally depicted on  
8           the map entitled ‘El Mirage Proposed Expan-  
9           sion Study Area’ and dated January 21, 2015.

10           “(3) REQUIREMENTS.—In preparing the study  
11           under paragraph (1), the Secretary shall—

12                     “(A) seek input from stakeholders, includ-  
13           ing—

14                             “(i) the State, including—

15                                     “(I) the California Public Utili-  
16                             ties Commission; and

17                                     “(II) the California Energy Com-  
18                             mission;

19                             “(ii) San Bernardino County, Cali-  
20           fornia;

21                             “(iii) the public;

22                             “(iv) recreational user groups;

23                             “(v) conservation organizations;

24                             “(vi) the Southern California Edison  
25           Company; and

1                   “(vii) the Pacific Gas and Electric  
2                   Company;

3                   “(B) explore the feasibility of expanding  
4                   the southern boundary of the off-highway vehi-  
5                   cle recreation area described in subsection  
6                   (a)(3) to include previously disturbed land;

7                   “(C) identify and exclude from consider-  
8                   ation any land that—

9                   “(i) is managed for conservation pur-  
10                  poses;

11                  “(ii) may be suitable for renewable en-  
12                  ergy development; or

13                  “(iii) may be necessary for energy  
14                  transmission; and

15                  “(D) not recommend or approve expansion  
16                  of national off-highway recreation areas within  
17                  the Conservation Area that collectively would  
18                  exceed the total acres administratively des-  
19                  ignated for off-highway recreation within the  
20                  Conservation Area as of the day before the date  
21                  of enactment of the National Defense Author-  
22                  ization Act for Fiscal Year 2014 (Public Law  
23                  113–66; 127 Stat. 672).

24                  “(4) APPLICABLE LAW.—The Secretary shall  
25                  consider the information and recommendations of

1 the study completed under paragraph (1) to deter-  
2 mine the impacts of expanding off-highway vehicle  
3 recreation areas designated by subsection (a) on the  
4 Conservation Area, in accordance with—

5 “(A) the National Environmental Policy  
6 Act of 1969 (42 U.S.C. 4321 et seq.);

7 “(B) the Endangered Species Act of 1973  
8 (16 U.S.C. 1531 et seq.); and

9 “(C) any other applicable law.

10 “(5) SUBMISSION TO CONGRESS.—On comple-  
11 tion of the study under paragraph (1), the Secretary  
12 shall submit the study to—

13 “(A) the Committee on Natural Resources  
14 of the House of Representatives; and

15 “(B) the Committee on Energy and Nat-  
16 ural Resources of the Senate.

17 “(6) AUTHORIZATION FOR EXPANSION.—

18 “(A) IN GENERAL.—On completion of the  
19 study under paragraph (1) and in accordance  
20 with all applicable laws (including regulations),  
21 the Secretary shall authorize the expansion of  
22 the off-highway vehicle recreation areas rec-  
23 ommended under the study.

1                   “(B) MANAGEMENT.—Any land within the  
2                   expanded areas under subparagraph (A) shall  
3                   be managed in accordance with this section.

4           “(g) SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA EDISON COMPANY  
5 UTILITY FACILITIES AND RIGHTS-OF-WAY.—

6           “(1) EFFECT OF TITLE.—Nothing in this  
7           title—

8                   “(A) terminates any validly issued right-of-  
9                   way for the customary operation, maintenance,  
10                  upgrade, repair, relocation within an existing  
11                  right-of-way, replacement, or other authorized  
12                  energy transport facility activities (including the  
13                  use of any mechanized vehicle, helicopter, and  
14                  other aerial device) in a right-of-way issued,  
15                  granted, or permitted to Southern California  
16                  Edison Company (including any predecessor or  
17                  successor in interest or assign) that is located  
18                  on land included in—

19                         “(i) the El Mirage Off-Highway Vehi-  
20                         cle Recreation Area;

21                         “(ii) the Spangler Hills National Off-  
22                         Highway Vehicle Recreation Area; or

23                         “(iii) the Stoddard Valley National  
24                         Off Highway Vehicle Recreation Area;

1           “(B) affects the application, siting, route  
2           selection, right-of-way acquisition, or construc-  
3           tion of the Coolwater-Lugo transmission  
4           project, as may be approved by the California  
5           Public Utilities Commission and the Bureau of  
6           Land Management; or

7           “(C) prohibits the upgrading or replace-  
8           ment of any Southern California Edison Com-  
9           pany—

10           “(i) utility facility, including such a  
11           utility facility known on the date of enact-  
12           ment of this title as—

13           “(I) ‘Gale-PS 512 transmission  
14           lines or rights-of-way’; or

15           “(II) ‘Patio, Jack Ranch, and  
16           Kenworth distribution circuits or  
17           rights-of-way’; or

18           “(ii) energy transport facility in a  
19           right-of-way issued, granted, or permitted  
20           by the Secretary adjacent to a utility facil-  
21           ity referred to in clause (i).

22           “(2) PLANS FOR ACCESS.—The Secretary, in  
23           consultation with the Southern California Edison  
24           Company, shall publish plans for regular and emer-  
25           gency access by the Southern California Edison

1 Company to the rights-of-way of the Company by  
2 the date that is 1 year after the later of—

3 “(A) the date of enactment of this title;  
4 and

5 “(B) the date of issuance of a new energy  
6 transport facility right-of-way within—

7 “(i) the El Mirage Off-Highway Vehi-  
8 cle Recreation Area;

9 “(ii) the Spangler Hills National Off-  
10 Highway Vehicle Recreation Area; or

11 “(iii) the Stoddard Valley National  
12 Off Highway Vehicle Recreation Area.

13 “(h) PACIFIC GAS AND ELECTRIC COMPANY UTILITY  
14 FACILITIES AND RIGHTS-OF-WAY.—

15 “(1) EFFECT OF TITLE.—Nothing in this  
16 title—

17 “(A) terminates any validly issued right-of-  
18 way for the customary operation, maintenance,  
19 upgrade, repair, relocation within an existing  
20 right-of-way, replacement, or other authorized  
21 activity (including the use of any mechanized  
22 vehicle, helicopter, and other aerial device) in a  
23 right-of-way issued, granted, or permitted to  
24 Pacific Gas and Electric Company (including  
25 any predecessor or successor in interest or as-

1 sign) that is located on land included in the  
2 Spangler Hills National Off-Highway Vehicle  
3 Recreation Area; or

4 “(B) prohibits the upgrading or replace-  
5 ment of any—

6 “(i) utility facilities of the Pacific Gas  
7 and Electric Company, including those  
8 utility facilities known on the date of en-  
9 actment of this title as—

10 “(I) ‘Gas Transmission Line 311  
11 or rights-of-way’; or

12 “(II) ‘Gas Transmission Line  
13 372 or rights-of-way’; or

14 “(ii) utility facilities of the Pacific  
15 Gas and Electric Company in rights-of-way  
16 issued, granted, or permitted by the Sec-  
17 retary adjacent to a utility facility referred  
18 to in clause (i).

19 “(2) PLANS FOR ACCESS.—Not later than 1  
20 year after the date of enactment of this title or the  
21 issuance of a new utility facility right-of-way within  
22 the Spangler Hills National Off-Highway Vehicle  
23 Recreation Area, whichever is later, the Secretary, in  
24 consultation with the Pacific Gas and Electric Com-  
25 pany, shall publish plans for regular and emergency

1 access by the Pacific Gas and Electric Company to  
2 the rights-of-way of the Pacific Gas and Electric  
3 Company.

4 **“TITLE XIX—ALABAMA HILLS**  
5 **NATIONAL SCENIC AREA**

6 **“SEC. 1901. DEFINITIONS.**

7 “In this title:

8 “(1) ENERGY TRANSPORT FACILITY.—

9 “(A) IN GENERAL.—The term ‘energy  
10 transport facility’ means any facility used for  
11 the operation and maintenance, transmission,  
12 distribution, or transportation of electricity or  
13 natural gas.

14 “(B) INCLUSIONS.—The term ‘energy  
15 transport facility’ includes—

16 “(i) an electric or gas transmission or  
17 distribution facility;

18 “(ii) a telecommunications facility;  
19 and

20 “(iii) any appurtenant equipment  
21 owned or used by a public or municipal  
22 utility company or water district.

23 “(2) MANAGEMENT PLAN.—The term ‘manage-  
24 ment plan’ means the management plan for the Na-  
25 tional Scenic Area developed under section 1903(a).

1           “(3) MAP.—The term ‘Map’ means the map en-  
2           titled ‘Proposed Alabama Hills National Scenic  
3           Area’ and dated September 8, 2014.

4           “(4) MECHANIZED VEHICLE.—The term  
5           ‘mechanized vehicle’ means a motorized or mecha-  
6           nized vehicle or equipment used by a public or mu-  
7           nicipal utility company or water district to construct,  
8           operate, maintain, repair, or upgrade electricity, nat-  
9           ural gas, telecommunications, or water infrastruc-  
10          ture.

11          “(5) NATIONAL SCENIC AREA.—The term ‘Na-  
12          tional Scenic Area’ means the Alabama Hills Na-  
13          tional Scenic Area established by section 1902(a).

14          “(6) PUBLIC-UTILITY COMPANY.—The term  
15          ‘public-utility company’ has the meaning given the  
16          term in section 1262 of the Public Utility Holding  
17          Company Act of 2005 (42 U.S.C. 16451).

18          “(7) SECRETARY.—The term ‘Secretary’ means  
19          the Secretary of the Interior.

20          “(8) STATE.—The term ‘State’ means the State  
21          of California.

22          “(9) TRIBE.—The term ‘Tribe’ means the Lone  
23          Pine Paiute-Shoshone Tribe.

1 "SEC. 1902. ALABAMA HILLS NATIONAL SCENIC AREA, CALI-  
2 FORNIA.

3 "(a) ESTABLISHMENT.—Subject to valid existing  
4 rights, there is established in Inyo County, California, the  
5 Alabama Hills National Scenic Area, to be comprised of  
6 the approximately 18,610 acres generally depicted on the  
7 Map as 'National Scenic Area'.

8 "(b) PURPOSE.—The purpose of the National Scenic  
9 Area is to conserve, protect, and enhance for the benefit,  
10 use, and enjoyment of present and future generations the  
11 nationally significant scenic, cultural, geological, edu-  
12 cational, biological, historical, recreational, cinemato-  
13 graphic, and scientific resources of the National Scenic  
14 Area.

15 "(c) MAP; LEGAL DESCRIPTIONS.—

16 "(1) IN GENERAL.—As soon as practicable  
17 after the date of enactment of this title, the Sec-  
18 retary shall file a map and a legal description of the  
19 National Scenic Area with—

20 "(A) the Committee on Energy and Nat-  
21 ural Resources of the Senate; and

22 "(B) the Committee on Natural Resources  
23 of the House of Representatives.

24 "(2) FORCE OF LAW.—The map and legal de-  
25 scriptions filed under paragraph (1) shall have the  
26 same force and effect as if included in this title, ex-

1       cept that the Secretary may correct any clerical and  
2       typographical errors in the map and legal descrip-  
3       tions.

4           “(3) PUBLIC AVAILABILITY.—Each map and  
5       legal description filed under paragraph (1) shall be  
6       on file and available for public inspection in the ap-  
7       propriate offices of the Bureau of Land Manage-  
8       ment.

9           “(d) ADMINISTRATION.—The Secretary shall manage  
10      the National Scenic Area—

11           “(1) as a component of the National Landscape  
12      Conservation System;

13           “(2) so as not to impact the future continuing  
14      operation and maintenance of any activities associ-  
15      ated with valid, existing rights, including water  
16      rights;

17           “(3) in a manner that conserves, protects, and  
18      enhances the resources and values of the National  
19      Scenic Area described in subsection (b); and

20           “(4) in accordance with—

21           “(A) the Federal Land Policy and Manage-  
22      ment Act of 1976 (43 U.S.C. 1701 et seq.);

23           “(B) this title; and

24           “(C) any other applicable laws.

25           “(e) MANAGEMENT.—

1           “(1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary shall allow  
2           only such uses of the National Scenic Area as the  
3           Secretary determines would support the purposes of  
4           the National Scenic Area as described in subsection  
5           (b).

6           “(2) RECREATIONAL ACTIVITIES.—Except as  
7           otherwise provided in this title or other applicable  
8           law, or as the Secretary determines to be necessary  
9           for public health and safety, the Secretary shall  
10          allow existing recreational uses of the National Sce-  
11          nic Area to continue, including hiking, mountain  
12          biking, rock climbing, sightseeing, horseback riding,  
13          hunting, fishing, and appropriate authorized mecha-  
14          nized vehicle use.

15          “(3) MOTORIZED VEHICLES.—Except as other-  
16          wise specified in this title, or as necessary for ad-  
17          ministrative purposes or to respond to an emer-  
18          gency, the use of motorized vehicles in the National  
19          Scenic Area (including the use of off-highway vehi-  
20          cles for commercial touring) shall be permitted only  
21          on—

22                 “(A) designated roads and trails, subject  
23                 to all applicable law and authorized as part of  
24                 a management plan sustaining a semiprimitive  
25                 motorized experience; or

1           “(B) county-maintained roads in accord-  
2           ance with applicable State and county laws.

3           “(4) CASUAL USE MINING.—The Secretary shall  
4           allow within the National Scenic Area, in perpetuity,  
5           casual use mining limited to the use of hand tools,  
6           metal detectors, hand-fed dry washers, vacuum  
7           cleaners, gold pans, small sluices, and similar items.

8           “(f) ACQUISITION OF LAND.—

9           “(1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary may acquire  
10          non-Federal land within the boundaries of the Na-  
11          tional Scenic Area only through exchange, donation,  
12          or purchase from a willing seller.

13          “(2) MANAGEMENT.—Land acquired under  
14          paragraph (1) shall be—

15                 “(A) considered to be a part of the Na-  
16                 tional Scenic Area; and

17                 “(B) managed in accordance with this title  
18                 and any other applicable laws.

19          “(g) NO BUFFER ZONES.—

20                 “(1) IN GENERAL.—Nothing in this title creates  
21                 a protective perimeter or buffer zone around the Na-  
22                 tional Scenic Area.

23                 “(2) ACTIVITIES OUTSIDE NATIONAL SCENIC  
24                 AREA.—The fact that an activity or use on land out-  
25                 side the National Scenic Area can be seen or heard

1 within the National Scenic Area shall not preclude  
2 the activity or use outside the boundaries of the Na-  
3 tional Scenic Area.

4 “(h) ACCESS.—The Secretary shall continue to pro-  
5 vide private landowners adequate access to inholdings in  
6 the National Scenic Area.

7 “(i) FILMING.—Nothing in this title prohibits filming  
8 (including commercial film production, student filming,  
9 and still photography) within the National Scenic Area—

10 “(1) subject to—

11 “(A) such reasonable regulations, policies,  
12 and practices as the Secretary considers to be  
13 necessary; and

14 “(B) applicable law; and

15 “(2) in a manner consistent with the purposes  
16 described in subsection (b).

17 “(j) FISH AND WILDLIFE.—Nothing in this title af-  
18 fects the jurisdiction or responsibilities of the State with  
19 respect to fish and wildlife.

20 “(k) LIVESTOCK.—The grazing of livestock in the  
21 National Scenic Area, including grazing under the Ala-  
22 bama Hills allotment and the George Creek allotment, as  
23 established before the date of enactment of this title, shall  
24 be permitted to continue—

25 “(1) subject to—

1                   “(A) such reasonable regulations, policies,  
2                   and practices as the Secretary considers to be  
3                   necessary; and

4                   “(B) applicable law; and

5                   “(2) in a manner consistent with the purposes  
6                   described in subsection (b).

7                   “(1) OVERFLIGHTS.—Nothing in this title restricts or  
8                   precludes flights over the National Scenic Area or over-  
9                   flights that can be seen or heard within the National Sce-  
10                  nic Area, including—

11                  “(1) transportation, sightseeing and filming  
12                  flights, general aviation planes, helicopters, hang  
13                  gliders, and balloonists, for commercial or rec-  
14                  reational purposes;

15                  “(2) low-level overflights of military aircraft;

16                  “(3) flight testing and evaluation;

17                  “(4) the designation or creation of new units of  
18                  special use airspace, or the establishment of military  
19                  flight training routes, over the National Scenic Area;  
20                  and

21                  “(5) the use, including take-off and landing, of  
22                  helicopters and other aerial devices within valid  
23                  rights-of-way to construct or maintain energy trans-  
24                  port facilities.

1       “(m) WITHDRAWAL.—Subject to the provisions of  
2 this title and valid rights in existence on the date of enact-  
3 ment of this title, including rights established by prior  
4 withdrawals, the Federal land within the National Scenic  
5 Area is withdrawn from all forms of—

6           “(1) entry, appropriation, or disposal under the  
7 public land laws;

8           “(2) location, entry, and patent under the min-  
9 ing laws; and

10          “(3) disposition under all laws pertaining to  
11 mineral and geothermal leasing or mineral materials.

12       “(n) WILDLAND FIRE OPERATIONS.—Nothing in this  
13 title prohibits the Secretary, in cooperation with other  
14 Federal, State, and local agencies, as appropriate, from  
15 conducting wildland fire operations in the National Scenic  
16 Area, consistent with the purposes described in subsection  
17 (b).

18       “(o) GRANTS; COOPERATIVE AGREEMENTS.—The  
19 Secretary may make grants to, or enter into cooperative  
20 agreements with, State, tribal, and local governmental en-  
21 tities and private entities to conduct research, interpreta-  
22 tion, or public education or to carry out any other initia-  
23 tive relating to the restoration, conservation, or manage-  
24 ment of the National Scenic Area.

1       “(p) AIR AND WATER QUALITY.—Nothing in this  
2 title modifies any standard governing air or water quality  
3 outside of the boundaries of the National Scenic Area.

4       “(q) ENERGY TRANSPORT FACILITIES AND RIGHTS-  
5 OF-WAY.—

6           “(1) EFFECT OF TITLE.—

7           “(A) IN GENERAL.—Subject to subpara-  
8 graph (B), nothing in this title precludes, pre-  
9 vents, or inhibits the customary operation,  
10 maintenance, upgrade, repair, relocation within  
11 an existing right-of-way, or replacement of any  
12 energy transport facility located within an exist-  
13 ing corridor or right-of-way located in the Na-  
14 tional Scenic Area, including—

15           “(i) any necessary or efficient access  
16 to such an energy transport facility; and

17           “(ii) the related use of mechanized ve-  
18 hicles, helicopters, and other aerial devices.

19           “(B) MINIMIZING IMPACT.—An activity de-  
20 scribed in subparagraph (A) shall be conducted  
21 in a manner that minimizes the impact on the  
22 resources of the National Scenic Area.

23           “(2) PLANS FOR ACCESS.—Not later than 1  
24 year after the date of enactment of this title, the  
25 Secretary, in consultation with all impacted public

1 and municipal utility companies and water districts,  
2 shall publish plans for regular and emergency access  
3 to the respective rights-of-way of those companies  
4 and water districts.

5 **“SEC. 1903. MANAGEMENT PLAN.**

6 “(a) **IN GENERAL.**—Not later than 3 years after the  
7 date of enactment of this title, in accordance with sub-  
8 sections (b) and (c), the Secretary shall develop a com-  
9 prehensive plan for the long-term management of the Na-  
10 tional Scenic Area.

11 “(b) **CONSULTATION.**—In developing the manage-  
12 ment plan, the Secretary shall consult with—

13 “(1) appropriate State, tribal, and local govern-  
14 mental entities, including Inyo County, the Los An-  
15 geles Department of Water and Power, and the  
16 Tribe;

17 “(2) investor-owned utilities, including South-  
18 ern California Edison Company;

19 “(3) the Alabama Hills Stewardship Group; and

20 “(4) members of the public.

21 “(c) **REQUIREMENT.**—In accordance with this title,  
22 the management plan shall establish plans for mainte-  
23 nance of public-utility and other rights-of-way within the  
24 National Scenic Area.

1       “(d) INCORPORATION.—In developing the manage-  
2 ment plan, in accordance with this section, the Secretary  
3 shall allow, in perpetuity, casual use mining limited to the  
4 use of hand tools, metal detectors, hand-fed dry washers,  
5 vacuum cleaners, gold pans, small sluices, and similar  
6 items.

7       “(e) INTERIM MANAGEMENT.—Pending completion  
8 of the management plan, the Secretary shall manage the  
9 National Scenic Area in accordance with section 1902(b).

10 **“SEC. 1904. LAND TAKEN INTO TRUST FOR LONE PINE PAI-**  
11 **UTE-SHOSHONE RESERVATION.**

12       “(a) TRUST LAND.—As soon as practicable after the  
13 date of enactment of this title, the Secretary shall take  
14 the approximately 132 acres of Federal land depicted on  
15 the Map as ‘Lone Pine Paiute-Shoshone Reservation Addi-  
16 tion’ into trust for the benefit of the Tribe, subject to the  
17 conditions that—

18               “(1) the land shall be subject to all easements,  
19 covenants, conditions, restrictions, withdrawals, and  
20 other matters of record in existence on the date of  
21 enactment of this title; and

22               “(2) the Federal land over which the right-of-  
23 way for the Los Angeles Aqueduct is located, gen-  
24 erally described as the 250-foot-wide right-of-way  
25 granted to the City of Los Angeles pursuant to the

1 Act of June 30, 1906 (34 Stat. 801, chapter 3926),  
2 shall not be taken into trust for the Tribe.

3 “(b) RESERVATION LAND.—The land taken into  
4 trust pursuant to subsection (a) shall be considered to be  
5 a part of the reservation of the Tribe.

6 “(c) GAMING PROHIBITION.—Land taken into trust  
7 under subsection (a) shall not be eligible, or considered  
8 to have been taken into trust, for gaming (within the  
9 meaning of the Indian Gaming Regulatory Act (25 U.S.C.  
10 2701 et seq.)).

11 **“SEC. 1905. TRANSFER OF ADMINISTRATIVE JURISDICTION.**

12 “Administrative jurisdiction over the approximately  
13 40 acres of Federal land depicted on the Map as ‘USFS  
14 Transfer to BLM’ is transferred from the Forest Service  
15 to the Bureau of Land Management.

16 **“SEC. 1906. PROTECTION OF SERVICES AND REC-**  
17 **REATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES.**

18 “(a) EFFECT OF TITLE.—Nothing in this title limits  
19 the provision of any commercial service for existing or his-  
20 toric recreation use, as authorized by the permit process  
21 of the Bureau of Land Management.

22 “(b) GUIDED RECREATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES.—Any  
23 valid existing commercial permit to exercise guided rec-  
24 reational opportunities for the public may continue as au-

1 thorized on the day before the date of enactment of this  
2 title.

3 **"SEC. 1907. LAND CONVEYANCE TO ELIMINATE ENCROACH-**  
4 **MENT ON PUBLIC LAND.**

5 "(a) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

6 "(1) AUTHORIZED OFFER PERIOD.—The term  
7 'authorized offer period' means the 120-day period  
8 beginning on the date on which the required ap-  
9 praisal of the Federal land is completed under sub-  
10 section (c).

11 "(2) FEDERAL LAND.—The term 'Federal land'  
12 means the smallest parcel of land that—

13 "(A) the Secretary determines can be rea-  
14 sonably described in legal language and admin-  
15 istered; and

16 "(B) encompasses construction completed  
17 by Reginald Cook as of January 15, 2015,  
18 within the approximately 4 acres of Bureau of  
19 Land Management land identified on the map  
20 as the 'Conveyance Area'.

21 "(3) MAP.—The term 'map' means the map ti-  
22 tled 'Proposed Conveyance Property', dated January  
23 15, 2015, and on file in the appropriate office of the  
24 Director of the Bureau of Land Management.

1           “(4) REGINALD COOK.—The term ‘Reginald  
2           Cook’ means Mr. Reginald Cook, the owner of prop-  
3           erty adjacent to the land identified on the map as  
4           the ‘Conveyance Area’.

5           “(b) CONVEYANCE.—If, before the end of the author-  
6           ized offer period, Reginald Cook submits to the Secretary  
7           an offer to acquire the Federal land consistent with sub-  
8           sections (d) and (e), the Secretary shall convey to Regi-  
9           nald Cook, subject to valid existing rights and on payment  
10          of the required consideration, all right, title, and interest  
11          of the United States in and to the surface estate of the  
12          Federal land.

13          “(c) APPRAISAL.—Not later than 120 days after the  
14          date of enactment of this title, the Secretary shall com-  
15          plete an appraisal of the Federal land in accordance  
16          with—

17                 “(1) the Uniform Appraisal Standards for Fed-  
18                 eral Land Acquisitions; and

19                 “(2) the Uniform Standards of Professional Ap-  
20                 praisal Practice.

21          “(d) CONSIDERATION.—As consideration for the con-  
22          veyance of the Federal land, Reginald Cook shall pay to  
23          the United States, for deposit in the general fund of the  
24          Treasury, an amount equal to the appraised value of the  
25          Federal land determined under subsection (c).

1 “(e) CONDITIONS.—

2 “(1) PAYMENT OF COSTS OF CONVEYANCE.—

3 Reginald Cook shall cover any administrative costs  
4 incurred by the Secretary to carry out the convey-  
5 ance of the Federal land, including the costs of any  
6 required environmental, wildlife, cultural, or histor-  
7 ical resources study.

8 “(2) RELEASE.—As a condition of the convey-  
9 ance of the Federal land, Reginald Cook shall agree  
10 in writing to release and indemnify the United  
11 States from any claims or liabilities that may arise  
12 from use of the Federal land by the United States  
13 or Reginald Cook before the date of the conveyance.

14 “(f) ACCESS.—The Secretary shall continue to pro-  
15 vide to Reginald Cook access to the property of Reginald  
16 Cook, subject to part 2800 of title 43, Code of Federal  
17 Regulations (or successor regulations).

18 **“TITLE XX—MISCELLANEOUS**

19 **“SEC. 2001. STATE LAND TRANSFERS AND EXCHANGES.**

20 “(a) TRANSFER OF LAND TO ANZA-BORREGO  
21 DESERT STATE PARK.—

22 “(1) IN GENERAL.—On termination of all min-  
23 ing claims to the land described in paragraph (2),  
24 the Secretary shall transfer the land described in  
25 that paragraph to the State.

1           “(2) DESCRIPTION OF LAND.—The land re-  
2           ferred to in paragraph (1) is certain Bureau of Land  
3           Management land in San Diego County, California,  
4           comprising approximately 934 acres, as generally de-  
5           picted on the map entitled ‘Table Mountain Wilder-  
6           ness Study Area Proposed Transfer to the State’  
7           and dated July 15, 2009.

8           “(3) MANAGEMENT.—

9           “(A) IN GENERAL.—The land transferred  
10          under paragraph (1) shall be managed in ac-  
11          cordance with the provisions of the California  
12          Wilderness Act (California Public Resources  
13          Code sections 5093.30–5093.40).

14          “(B) WITHDRAWAL.—Subject to valid ex-  
15          isting rights, the land transferred under para-  
16          graph (1) is withdrawn from—

17                 “(i) all forms of entry, appropriation,  
18                 or disposal under the public land laws;

19                 “(ii) location, entry, and patent under  
20                 the mining laws; and

21                 “(iii) disposition under all laws relat-  
22                 ing to mineral and geothermal leasing.

23          “(C) REVERSION.—If the State ceases to  
24          manage the land transferred under paragraph  
25          (1) as part of the State Park System or in a

1 manner inconsistent with the California Wilder-  
2 ness Act (California Public Resources Code sec-  
3 tions 5093.30–5093.40), the land shall revert to  
4 the Secretary at the discretion of the Secretary,  
5 to be managed as a Wilderness Study Area.

6 “(b) HOLTVILLE AIRPORT, IMPERIAL COUNTY.—

7 “(1) IN GENERAL.—On the submission of an  
8 application by Imperial County, California, the Sec-  
9 retary of Transportation shall, in accordance with  
10 section 47125 of title 49, United States Code, and  
11 section 2641.1 of title 43, Code of Federal Regula-  
12 tions (or successor regulations) seek a conveyance  
13 from the Secretary of approximately 3,500 acres of  
14 Bureau of Land Management land adjacent to the  
15 Imperial County Holtville Airport (L04) for the pur-  
16 poses of airport expansion.

17 “(2) SEGREGATION.—The Secretary (acting  
18 through the Director of the Bureau of Land Man-  
19 agement) shall, with respect to the land to be con-  
20 veyed under paragraph (1)—

21 “(A) segregate the land; and

22 “(B) prohibit the appropriation of the land  
23 until—

24 “(i) the date on which a notice of re-  
25 alty action terminates the application; or

1                   “(ii) the date on which a document of  
2                   conveyance is published.

3 **“SEC. 2002. MILITARY ACTIVITIES.**

4           “Nothing in this title—

5                   “(1) restricts or precludes Department of De-  
6           fense motorized access by land or air—

7                           “(A) to respond to an emergency within a  
8           wilderness area designated by this Act; or

9                           “(B) to control access to the emergency  
10          site;

11                   “(2) prevents nonmechanized military training  
12          activities previously conducted on wilderness areas  
13          designated by this title that are consistent with—

14                           “(A) the Wilderness Act (16 U.S.C. 1131  
15          et seq.); and

16                           “(B) all applicable laws (including regula-  
17          tions);

18                   “(3) restricts or precludes low-level overflights  
19          of military aircraft over the areas designated as wil-  
20          derness, national monuments, special management  
21          areas, or recreation areas by this Act, including mili-  
22          tary overflights that can be seen or heard within the  
23          designated areas;

1           “(4) restricts or precludes flight testing and  
2           evaluation in the areas described in paragraph (3);  
3           or

4           “(5) restricts or precludes the designation or  
5           creation of new units of special use airspace, or the  
6           establishment of military flight training routes, over  
7           the areas described in paragraph (3).

8   **“SEC. 2003. CLIMATE CHANGE AND WILDLIFE CORRIDORS.**

9           “(a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary shall—

10           “(1) assess the impacts of climate change on  
11           the Conservation Area; and

12           “(2) establish policies and procedures to ensure  
13           the preservation of wildlife corridors and facilitate  
14           species migration likely to occur due to climate  
15           change.

16           “(b) STUDY.—

17           “(1) IN GENERAL.—As soon as practicable, but  
18           not later than 2 years, after the date of enactment  
19           of this title, the Secretary shall complete a study re-  
20           garding the impact of global climate change on the  
21           Conservation Area.

22           “(2) COMPONENTS.—The study under para-  
23           graph (1) shall—

24           “(A) identify the species migrating, or like-  
25           ly to migrate, due to climate change;

1           “(B) examine the impacts and potential  
2 impacts of climate change on—

3                   “(i) plants, insects, and animals;

4                   “(ii) soil;

5                   “(iii) air quality;

6                   “(iv) water quality and quantity; and

7                   “(v) species migration and survival;

8           “(C) identify critical wildlife and species  
9 migration corridors recommended for preserva-  
10 tion; and

11           “(D) include recommendations for ensur-  
12 ing the biological connectivity of public land  
13 managed by the Secretary and the Secretary of  
14 Defense throughout the Conservation Area.

15           “(3) RIGHTS-OF-WAY.—The Secretary shall  
16 consider the information and recommendations of  
17 the study under paragraph (1) to determine the in-  
18 dividual and cumulative impacts of rights-of-way for  
19 projects in the Conservation Area, in accordance  
20 with—

21                   “(A) the National Environmental Policy  
22 Act of 1969 (42 U.S.C. 4321 et seq.);

23                   “(B) the Endangered Species Act of 1973  
24 (16 U.S.C. 1531 et seq.); and

25                   “(C) any other applicable law.



1 of the Federal Land Policy and Management  
2 Act of 1976 (43 U.S.C. 1712(c)(3)).

3 “(3) DONATED LAND.—The term ‘donated  
4 land’ means any private land donated to the United  
5 States for conservation purposes in the Conservation  
6 Area.

7 “(4) DONOR.—The term ‘donor’ means an indi-  
8 vidual or entity that donates private land within the  
9 Conservation Area to the United States.

10 “(5) SECRETARY.—The term ‘Secretary’ means  
11 the Secretary of the Interior, acting through the Di-  
12 rector of the Bureau of Land Management.

13 “(b) PROHIBITIONS.—Except as provided in sub-  
14 section (c), the Secretary shall not authorize the use of  
15 acquired land, conservation land, or donated land within  
16 the Conservation Area for any activities contrary to the  
17 conservation purposes for which the land was acquired,  
18 designated, or donated, including—

19 “(1) disposal;

20 “(2) rights-of-way;

21 “(3) leases;

22 “(4) livestock grazing;

23 “(5) infrastructure development, except as pro-  
24 vided in subsection (c);

25 “(6) mineral entry; and

1 “(7) off-highway vehicle use, except on—

2 “(A) designated routes;

3 “(B) off-highway vehicle areas designated  
4 by law; and

5 “(C) administratively designated open  
6 areas.

7 “(e) EXCEPTIONS.—

8 “(1) AUTHORIZATION BY SECRETARY.—Subject  
9 to paragraph (2), the Secretary may authorize lim-  
10 ited exceptions to prohibited uses of acquired land or  
11 donated land in the Conservation Area if—

12 “(A) a right-of-way application for a re-  
13 newable energy development project or associ-  
14 ated energy transport facility on acquired land  
15 or donated land was submitted to the Bureau  
16 of Land Management on or before December 1,  
17 2009; or

18 “(B) after the completion and consider-  
19 ation of an analysis under the National Envi-  
20 ronmental Policy Act of 1969 (42 U.S.C. 4321  
21 et seq.), the Secretary has determined that pro-  
22 posed use is in the public interest.

23 “(2) CONDITIONS.—

24 “(A) IN GENERAL.—If the Secretary  
25 grants an exception to the prohibition under

1 paragraph (1), the Secretary shall require the  
2 permittee to donate private land of comparable  
3 value located within the Conservation Area to  
4 the United States to mitigate the use.

5 “(B) APPROVAL.—The private land to be  
6 donated under subparagraph (A) shall be ap-  
7 proved by the Secretary after—

8 “(i) consultation, to the maximum ex-  
9 tent practicable, with the donor of the pri-  
10 vate land proposed for nonconservation  
11 uses; and

12 “(ii) an opportunity for public com-  
13 ment regarding the donation.

14 “(d) EXISTING AGREEMENTS.—Nothing in this sec-  
15 tion affects permitted or prohibited uses of donated land  
16 or acquired land in the Conservation Area established in  
17 any easements, deed restrictions, memoranda of under-  
18 standing, or other agreements in existence on the date of  
19 enactment of this title.

20 “(e) DEED RESTRICTIONS.—Effective beginning on  
21 the date of enactment of this title, within the Conservation  
22 Area, the Secretary may

23 “(1) accept deed restrictions requested by land-  
24 owners for land donated to, or otherwise acquired  
25 by, the United States; and

1           “(2) consistent with existing rights, create deed  
2 restrictions, easements, or other third-party rights  
3 relating to any public land determined by the Sec-  
4 retary to be necessary—

5           “(A) to fulfill the mitigation requirements  
6 resulting from the development of renewable re-  
7 sources; or

8           “(B) to satisfy the conditions of—

9           “(i) a habitat conservation plan or  
10 general conservation plan established pur-  
11 suant to section 10 of the Endangered  
12 Species Act of 1973 (16 U.S.C. 1539); or

13           “(ii) a natural communities conserva-  
14 tion plan approved by the State.

15 **“SEC. 2005. TRIBAL USES AND INTERESTS.**

16           “(a) ACCESS.—The Secretary shall ensure access to  
17 areas designated under this Act by members of Indian  
18 tribes for traditional cultural and religious purposes, con-  
19 sistent with applicable law, including Public Law 95–341  
20 (commonly known as the ‘American Indian Religious  
21 Freedom Act’) (42 U.S.C. 1996).

22           “(b) TEMPORARY CLOSURE.—

23           “(1) IN GENERAL.—In accordance with applica-  
24 ble law, including Public Law 95–341 (commonly  
25 known as the ‘American Indian Religious Freedom

1 Act') (42 U.S.C. 1996), and subject to paragraph  
2 (2), the Secretary, on request of an Indian tribe or  
3 Indian religious community, shall temporarily close  
4 to general public use any portion of an area des-  
5 ignated as a national monument, special manage-  
6 ment area, wild and scenic river, area of critical en-  
7 vironmental concern, or National Park System unit  
8 under this Act (referred to in this subsection as a  
9 'designated area') to protect the privacy of tradi-  
10 tional cultural and religious activities in the des-  
11 ignated area by members of the Indian tribe or In-  
12 dian religious community.

13 "(2) LIMITATION.—In closing a portion of a  
14 designated area under paragraph (1), the Secretary  
15 shall limit the closure to the smallest practicable  
16 area for the minimum period necessary for the tradi-  
17 tional cultural and religious activities.

18 "(c) TRIBAL CULTURAL RESOURCES MANAGEMENT  
19 PLAN.—

20 "(1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 2 years  
21 after the date of enactment of this title, the Sec-  
22 retary of the Interior shall develop and implement a  
23 tribal cultural resources management plan to iden-  
24 tify, protect, and conserve cultural resources of In-  
25 dian tribes associated with the Xam Kwatchan Trail

1 network extending from Avikwaame (Spirit Moun-  
2 tain, Nevada) to Avikwlal (Pilot Knob, California).

3 “(2) CONSULTATION.—The Secretary shall con-  
4 sult on the development and implementation of the  
5 tribal cultural resources management plan under  
6 paragraph (1) with—

7 “(A) each of—

8 “(i) the Chemehuevi Indian Tribe;

9 “(ii) the Hualapai Tribal Nation;

10 “(iii) the Fort Mojave Indian Tribe;

11 “(iv) the Colorado River Indian  
12 Tribes;

13 “(v) the Quechan Indian Tribe; and

14 “(vi) the Cocopah Indian Tribe; and

15 “(B) the Advisory Council on Historic  
16 Preservation.

17 “(3) RESOURCE PROTECTION.—The tribal cul-  
18 tural resources management plan developed under  
19 paragraph (1) shall be—

20 “(A) based on a completed tribal cultural  
21 resources survey; and

22 “(B) include procedures for identifying,  
23 protecting, and preserving petroglyphs, ancient  
24 trails, intaglios, sleeping circles, artifacts, and  
25 other resources of cultural, archaeological, or

1 historical significance in accordance with all ap-  
2 plicable laws and policies, including—

3 “(i) chapter 2003 of title 54, United  
4 States Code;

5 “(ii) Public Law 95–341 (commonly  
6 known as the ‘American Indian Religious  
7 Freedom Act’)(42 U.S.C. 1996);

8 “(iii) the Archaeological Resources  
9 Protection Act of 1979 (16 U.S.C. 470aa  
10 et seq.);

11 “(iv) the Native American Graves  
12 Protection and Repatriation Act (25  
13 U.S.C. 3001 et seq.); and

14 “(v) Public Law 103–141 (commonly  
15 known as the ‘Religious Freedom Restora-  
16 tion Act of 1993’)(42 U.S.C. 2000bb et  
17 seq.).

18 “(d) WITHDRAWAL.—Subject to valid existing rights,  
19 all Federal land within the area administratively with-  
20 drawn and known as the ‘Indian Pass Withdrawal Area’  
21 is permanently withdrawn from—

22 “(1) all forms of entry, appropriation, or dis-  
23 posal under the public land laws;

24 “(2) location, entry, and patent under the min-  
25 ing laws; and

1           “(3) right-of-way leasing and disposition under  
2           all laws relating to minerals or solar, wind, or geo-  
3           thermal energy.

4   **“SEC. 2006. BLACK LAVA BUTTE AND FLAT TOP MESA AREA**  
5                           **OF CRITICAL ENVIRONMENTAL CONCERN.**

6           “(a) DESIGNATION.—There is established the Black  
7   Lava Butte and Flat Top Mesa Area of Critical Environ-  
8   mental Concern (referred to in this section as the ‘covered  
9   area’) within the Conservation Area under the Bureau of  
10   Land Management comprising approximately 6,350 acres  
11   as generally depicted on the map entitled ‘Proposed Black  
12   Lava Butte and Flat Top Mesa ACEC’ and dated July  
13   24, 2014.

14           “(b) ADMINISTRATION.—The Secretary shall admin-  
15   ister the covered area to preserve the geological, biological,  
16   cultural, and archeological resources within the covered  
17   area.

18           “(c) WITHDRAWAL.—Subject to valid existing rights,  
19   the Federal land and interests in Federal land included  
20   within the covered area are withdrawn from—

21                   “(1) all forms of entry, appropriation, or dis-  
22                   posal under the public land laws;

23                   “(2) location, entry, and patent under the  
24                   United States mining laws;

1           “(3) disposition under all laws pertaining to  
2           mineral and geothermal leasing and mineral mate-  
3           rials; and

4           “(4) energy development and power generation

5   **“SEC. 2007. RELEASE OF FEDERAL REVERSIONARY LAND**  
6                           **INTERESTS.**

7           “(a) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

8           “(1) 1932 ACT.—The ‘1932 Act’ means the Act  
9           of June 18, 1932 (47 Stat. 324, chapter 270).

10           “(2) DISTRICT.—The ‘District’ means the Met-  
11           ropolitan Water District of Southern California.

12           “(b) RELEASE.—Subject to valid existing claims per-  
13           fected prior to the effective date of the 1932 Act and the  
14           reservation of minerals set forth in the 1932 Act, the Sec-  
15           retary shall release, convey, or otherwise quitclaim to the  
16           District, in a form recordable in local county records, and  
17           subject to the approval of the District, after consultation  
18           and without monetary consideration, all right, title, and  
19           remaining interest of the United States in and to the land  
20           that was conveyed to the District pursuant to the 1932  
21           Act or any other law authorizing conveyance subject to  
22           restrictions or reversionary interests retained by the  
23           United States, on request by the District.

1       “(c) TERMS AND CONDITIONS.—A conveyance au-  
2 thORIZED by subsection (b) shall be subject to the following  
3 terms and conditions:

4           “(1) The District shall cover, or reimburse the  
5 Secretary for, the costs incurred by the Secretary to  
6 make the conveyance, including title searches, sur-  
7 veys, deed preparation, attorneys’ fees, and similar  
8 expenses.

9           “(2) By accepting the conveyances, the District  
10 agrees to indemnify and hold harmless the United  
11 States with regard to any boundary dispute relating  
12 to any parcel conveyed under this section.”.

13 **SEC. 102. VISITOR CENTER.**

14       Title IV of the California Desert Protection Act of  
15 1994 (16 U.S.C. 410aaa–21 et seq.) is amended by adding  
16 at the end the following:

17 **“SEC. 408. VISITOR CENTER.**

18       “(a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary may acquire not  
19 more than 5 acres of land and interests in land, and im-  
20 provements on the land and interests, outside the bound-  
21 aries of Joshua Tree National Park, in the unincorporated  
22 village of Joshua Tree, for the purpose of operating a vis-  
23 itor center.

1       “(b) BOUNDARY.—The Secretary shall modify the  
2 boundary of the park to include the land acquired under  
3 this section as a noncontiguous parcel.

4       “(c) ADMINISTRATION.—Land and facilities acquired  
5 under this section—

6           “(1) may include the property owned (as of the  
7 date of enactment of this section) by the Joshua  
8 Tree National Park Association and commonly re-  
9 ferred to as the ‘Joshua Tree National Park Visitor  
10 Center’;

11           “(2) shall be administered by the Secretary as  
12 part of the park; and

13           “(3) may be acquired only with the consent of  
14 the owner, by donation, purchase with donated or  
15 appropriated funds, or exchange.”.

16 **SEC. 103. CALIFORNIA STATE SCHOOL LAND.**

17       Section 707 of the California Desert Protection Act  
18 of 1994 (16 U.S.C. 410aaa-77) is amended—

19           (1) in subsection (a)—

20               (A) in the first sentence—

21                   (i) by striking “Upon request of the  
22 California State Lands Commission (here-  
23 inafter in this section referred to as the  
24 Commission’), the Secretary shall enter

1           into negotiations for an agreement” and  
2           inserting the following:

3           “(1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary shall nego-  
4           tiate in good faith to reach an agreement with the  
5           California State Lands Commission (referred to in  
6           this section as the Commission)’”; and

7                       (ii) by inserting “, national monu-  
8                       ments,” after “more of the wilderness  
9                       areas”; and

10           (B) in the second sentence, by striking  
11           “The Secretary shall negotiate in good faith to”  
12           and inserting the following:

13           “(2) AGREEMENT.—To the maximum extent  
14           practicable, not later than 10 years after the date of  
15           enactment of this title, the Secretary shall”;

16           (2) in subsection (b)(1), by inserting “, national  
17           monuments,” after “wilderness areas”; and

18           (3) in subsection (c), by adding at the end the  
19           following:

20           “(5) SPECIAL DEPOSIT FUND ACCOUNT.—

21                       “(A) IN GENERAL.—Assembled land ex-  
22                       changes may be used to carry out this section  
23                       through the sale of surplus Federal property  
24                       and subsequent acquisitions of State school  
25                       land.

1           “(B) RECEIPTS.—Past and future receipts  
2           from the sale of property described in sub-  
3           section (a), less any costs incurred related to  
4           the sale, shall be deposited in a Special Deposit  
5           Fund Account established in the Treasury.

6           “(C) USE.—Funds accumulated in the  
7           Special Deposit Fund Account may be used by  
8           the Secretary, without an appropriation, to ac-  
9           quire State school lands or interest in the land  
10          consistent with this section.”.

11 **SEC. 104. DESIGNATION OF WILD AND SCENIC RIVERS.**

12          Section 3(a) of the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act (16  
13 U.S.C. 1274(a)) is amended—

14           (1) in paragraph (196), by striking subpara-  
15          graph (A) and inserting the following:

16           “(A)(i) The approximately 1.4-mile seg-  
17          ment of the Amargosa River in the State of  
18          California, from the private property boundary  
19          in sec. 19, T. 22 N., R. 7 E., to 100 feet down-  
20          stream of Highway 178, to be administered by  
21          the Secretary of the Interior as a scenic river  
22          as an addition to the wild and scenic river seg-  
23          ments of the Amargosa River on publication by  
24          the Secretary of a notice in the Federal Reg-  
25          ister that sufficient inholdings within the

1 boundaries of the segments have been acquired  
2 as scenic easements or in fee title to establish  
3 a manageable addition to those segments.

4 “(ii) The approximately 6.1-mile segment  
5 of the Amargosa River in the State of Cali-  
6 fornia, from 100 feet downstream of the State  
7 Highway 178 crossing to 100 feet upstream of  
8 the Tecopa Hot Springs Road crossing, to be  
9 administered by the Secretary of the Interior as  
10 a scenic river.”; and

11 (2) by adding at the end the following:

12 “(208) SURPRISE CANYON CREEK, CALI-  
13 FORNIA.—

14 “(A) IN GENERAL.—The following seg-  
15 ments of Surprise Canyon Creek in the State of  
16 California, to be administered by the Secretary  
17 of the Interior:

18 “(i) The approximately 5.3 miles of  
19 Surprise Canyon Creek from the con-  
20 fluence of Frenchman’s Canyon and Water  
21 Canyon to 100-feet upstream of Chris  
22 Wicht Camp, as a wild river.

23 “(ii) The approximately 1.8 miles of  
24 Surprise Canyon Creek from 100 feet up-  
25 stream of Chris Wicht Camp to the south-

1                   ern boundary of sec. 14, T. 21 N., R. 44  
2                   E., as a recreational river.

3                   “(B) EFFECT ON HISTORIC MINING STRUC-  
4                   TURES.—Nothing in this paragraph affects the  
5                   historic mining structures associated with the  
6                   former Panamint Mining District.

7                   “(209) DEEP CREEK, CALIFORNIA.—

8                   “(A) IN GENERAL.—The following seg-  
9                   ments of Deep Creek in the State of California,  
10                  to be administered by the Secretary of Agri-  
11                  culture:

12                  “(i) The approximately 6.5-mile seg-  
13                  ment from 0.125 mile downstream of the  
14                  Rainbow Dam site in sec. 33, T. 2 N., R.  
15                  2 W., to 0.25-miles upstream of the Road  
16                  3N34 crossing, as a wild river.

17                  “(ii) The 0.5-mile segment from 0.25  
18                  mile upstream of the Road 3N34 crossing  
19                  to 0.25 mile downstream of the Road  
20                  3N34 crossing, as a scenic river.

21                  “(iii) The 2.5-mile segment from 0.25  
22                  miles downstream of the Road 3 N. 34  
23                  crossing to 0.25 miles upstream of the  
24                  Trail 2W01 crossing, as a wild river.

1           “(iv) The 0.5-mile segment from 0.25  
2 miles upstream of the Trail 2W01 crossing  
3 to 0.25 mile downstream of the Trail  
4 2W01 crossing, as a scenic river.

5           “(v) The 10-mile segment from 0.25  
6 miles downstream of the Trail 2W01 cross-  
7 ing to the upper limit of the Mojave dam  
8 flood zone in sec. 17, T. 3 N., R. 3 W., as  
9 a wild river.

10          “(vi) The 11-mile segment of Hol-  
11 comb Creek from 100 yards downstream of  
12 the Road 3N12 crossing to .25 miles down-  
13 stream of Holcomb Crossing, as a rec-  
14 reational river.

15          “(vii) The 3.5-mile segment of the  
16 Holcomb Creek from 0.25 miles down-  
17 stream of Holcomb Crossing to the Deep  
18 Creek confluence, as a wild river.

19          “(B) EFFECT ON SKI OPERATIONS.—Noth-  
20 ing in this paragraph affects—

21           “(i) the operations of the Snow Valley  
22 Ski Resort; or

23           “(ii) the State regulation of water  
24 rights and water quality associated with

1                   the operation of the Snow Valley Ski Re-  
2                   sort.

3                   “(210) WHITEWATER RIVER, CALIFORNIA.—

4                   The following segments of the Whitewater River in  
5                   the State of California, to be administered by the  
6                   Secretary of Agriculture and the Secretary of the In-  
7                   terior, acting jointly:

8                   “(A) The 5.8-mile segment of the North  
9                   Fork Whitewater River from the source of the  
10                  River near Mt. San Gorgonio to the confluence  
11                  with the Middle Fork, as a wild river.

12                  “(B) The 6.4-mile segment of the Middle  
13                  Fork Whitewater River from the source of the  
14                  River to the confluence with the South Fork, as  
15                  a wild river.

16                  “(C) The 1-mile segment of the South  
17                  Fork Whitewater River from the confluence of  
18                  the River with the East Fork to the section line  
19                  between sections 32 and 33, T. 1 S., R. 2 E.,  
20                  as a wild river.

21                  “(D) The 1-mile segment of the South  
22                  Fork Whitewater River from the section line be-  
23                  tween sections 32 and 33, T. 1 S., R. 2 E., to  
24                  the section line between sections 33 and 34, T.  
25                  1 S., R. 2 E., as a recreational river.

1           “(E) The 4.9-mile segment of the South  
2           Fork Whitewater River from the section line be-  
3           tween sections 33 and 34, T. 1 S., R. 2 E., to  
4           the confluence with the Middle Fork, as a wild  
5           river.

6           “(F) The 5.4-mile segment of the main  
7           stem of the Whitewater River from the con-  
8           fluence of the South and Middle Forks to the  
9           San Gorgonio Wilderness boundary, as a wild  
10          river.

11          “(G) The 3.6-mile segment of the main  
12          stem of the Whitewater River from the San  
13          Gorgonio Wilderness boundary to .25 miles up-  
14          stream of the southern boundary of section 35,  
15          T. 2 S., R. 3 E., as a recreational river.”.

16 **SEC. 105. CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.**

17          (a) **SHORT TITLE.**—Section 1 of the California  
18          Desert Protection Act of 1994 (16 U.S.C. 410aaa note;  
19          Public Law 103–433) is amended by striking “1 and 2,  
20          and titles I through IX” and inserting “1, 2, and 3, titles  
21          I through IX, and titles XIII through XX”.

22          (b) **DEFINITIONS.**—The California Desert Protection  
23          Act of 1994 (Public Law 103–433; 108 Stat. 4481) is  
24          amended by inserting after section 2 the following:

1 **“SEC. 3. DEFINITIONS.**

2 “In titles XIII through XX:

3 “(1) CONSERVATION AREA.—The term ‘Con-  
4 servation Area’ means the California Desert Con-  
5 servation Area.

6 “(2) SECRETARY.—The term ‘Secretary’  
7 means—

8 “(A) with respect to land under the juris-  
9 diction of the Secretary of the Interior, the Sec-  
10 retary of the Interior; and

11 “(B) with respect to land under the juris-  
12 diction of the Secretary of Agriculture, the Sec-  
13 retary of Agriculture.

14 “(3) STATE.—The term ‘State’ means the State  
15 of California.”.

16 (c) ADMINISTRATION OF WILDERNESS AREAS.—Sec-  
17 tion 103 of the California Desert Protection Act of 1994  
18 (Public Law 103–433; 108 Stat. 4481) is amended—

19 (1) by striking subsection (d) and inserting the  
20 following:

21 “(d) NO BUFFER ZONES.—

22 “(1) IN GENERAL.—Congress does not intend  
23 for the designation of wilderness areas by this Act—

24 “(A) to require the additional regulation of  
25 land adjacent to the wilderness areas; or

1           “(B) to lead to the creation of protective  
2           perimeters or buffer zones around the wilder-  
3           ness areas.

4           “(2) NONWILDERNESS ACTIVITIES.—Any non-  
5           wilderness activities (including renewable energy  
6           projects, energy transmission or telecommunications  
7           projects, mining, camping, hunting, and military ac-  
8           tivities) in areas immediately adjacent to the bound-  
9           ary of a wilderness area designated by this Act shall  
10          not be restricted or precluded by this Act, regardless  
11          of any actual or perceived negative impacts of the  
12          nonwilderness activities on the wilderness area, in-  
13          cluding any potential indirect impacts of nonwilder-  
14          ness activities conducted outside the designated wil-  
15          derness area on the viewshed, ambient noise level, or  
16          air quality of wilderness area.”;

17          (2) in subsection (f), by striking “designated by  
18          this title and” inserting “, potential wilderness  
19          areas, special management areas, and national  
20          monuments designated by this title or titles XIII  
21          through XIX”; and

22          (3) in subsection (g), by inserting “, a potential  
23          wilderness area, a special management areas, or na-  
24          tional monument” before “by this Act”.

1 (d) MOJAVE NATIONAL PRESERVE.—Title V of the  
2 California Desert Protection Act of 1994 (16 U.S.C.  
3 410aaa–41 et seq.) is amended by adding at the end the  
4 following:

5 **“SEC. 520. NATIVE GROUNDWATER SUPPLIES.**

6 “The Secretary shall take no action within the Con-  
7 servation Area to authorize, permit, or allow the use of  
8 any right-of-way or lease to extract, consume, export,  
9 transfer, or distribute groundwater for municipal, com-  
10 mercial, or industrial use from aquifers supplying wild and  
11 scenic rivers, or supplying water to Areas of Critical Envi-  
12 ronmental Concern, or underlying land managed by the  
13 Barstow or Needles Field Offices of the Bureau of Land  
14 Management or the National Park Service in quantities  
15 that collectively exceed the estimated perennial safe yield  
16 or annual recharge rate, as determined by the United  
17 States Geological Survey.”.

18 (e) CALIFORNIA MILITARY LANDS WITHDRAWAL  
19 AND OVERFLIGHTS ACT OF 1994.—

20 (1) FINDINGS.—Section 801(b)(2) of the Cali-  
21 fornia Military Lands Withdrawal and Overflights  
22 Act of 1994 (16 U.S.C. 410aaa–82 note; Public Law  
23 103–433) is amended by inserting “, national monu-  
24 ments, special management areas, potential wilder-  
25 ness areas,” before “and wilderness areas”.

1           (2) OVERFLIGHTS; SPECIAL AIRSPACE.—Section  
2       802 of the California Military Lands Withdrawal  
3       and Overflights Act of 1994 (16 U.S.C. 410aaa–82)  
4       is amended—

5           (A) in subsection (a), by inserting “, na-  
6       tional monuments, or special management  
7       areas” before “designated by this Act”;

8           (B) in subsection (b), by inserting “, na-  
9       tional monuments, or special management  
10      areas” before “designated by this Act”; and

11          (C) by adding at the end the following:

12      “(d) DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE FACILITIES.—  
13      Nothing in this Act alters any authority of the Secretary  
14      of Defense to conduct military operations at installations  
15      and ranges within the California Desert Conservation  
16      Area that are authorized under any other provision of  
17      law.”.

18      **TITLE II—DEVELOPMENT OF RE-**  
19      **NEWABLE ENERGY ON PUB-**  
20      **LIC LAND**

21      **SEC. 201. DEFINITIONS.**

22      In this title:

23          (1) FUND.—The term “Fund” means the Re-  
24      newable Energy Resource Conservation Fund estab-  
25      lished by section 202(c).

1           (2) PUBLIC LAND.—The term “public land”  
2           has the meaning given the term “public lands” in  
3           section 103 of the Federal Land Policy and Manage-  
4           ment Act of 1976 (43 U.S.C. 1702).

5           (3) SECRETARY.—The term “Secretary” means  
6           the Secretary of the Interior.

7 **SEC. 202. DISPOSITION OF REVENUES.**

8           (a) DISPOSITION OF REVENUES.—Of the amounts  
9           collected as bonus bids, royalties, rentals, fees, or other  
10          payments under a right-of-way, permit, lease, or other au-  
11          thorization for the development of wind or solar energy  
12          on land managed by the Bureau of Land Management—

13           (1) 25 percent shall be paid by the Secretary of  
14          the Treasury to the State within the boundaries of  
15          which the income is derived;

16           (2) 25 percent shall be paid by the Secretary of  
17          the Treasury to the 1 or more counties within the  
18          boundaries of which the income is derived, to be allo-  
19          cated among the counties based on the percentage of  
20          public land from which the royalties or bonuses are  
21          derived in each county;

22           (3) 15 percent shall—

23           (A) for the 10-year period beginning on  
24          the date of enactment of this Act, be deposited  
25          in the Treasury of the United States to help fa-

1 facilitate the processing of renewable energy per-  
2 mits by the Bureau of Land Management and  
3 the United States Fish and Wildlife Service, in-  
4 cluding the transfer of the funds to other Fed-  
5 eral agencies and State agencies to facilitate the  
6 processing of renewable energy permits; and

7 (B) beginning on the date that is 10 years  
8 after the date of enactment of this Act, be de-  
9 posited in the Fund; and

10 (4) 35 percent shall be deposited in the Fund.

11 (b) PAYMENTS TO STATES AND COUNTIES.—

12 (1) IN GENERAL.—Except as provided in para-  
13 graph (2), amounts paid to States and counties  
14 under subsection (a) shall be used consistent with  
15 section 35 of the Mineral Leasing Act (30 U.S.C.  
16 191).

17 (2) IMPACTS ON FEDERAL LAND.—Not less  
18 than 33 percent of the amount paid to a State shall  
19 be used on an annual basis for the purposes de-  
20 scribed in subsection (c)(2)(A).

21 (3) NO IMPACT ON PAYMENTS IN LIEU OF  
22 TAXES.—Nothing in this section impacts or reduces  
23 any payment authorized under section 6903 of title  
24 31, United States Code.

1 (c) RENEWABLE ENERGY RESOURCE CONSERVATION  
2 FUND.—

3 (1) IN GENERAL.—There is established in the  
4 Treasury a fund, to be known as the “Renewable  
5 Energy Resource Conservation Fund”, to be admin-  
6 istered by the Secretary for use in regions impacted  
7 by the development of wind or solar energy.

8 (2) USE.—

9 (A) IN GENERAL.—Amounts in the Fund  
10 shall be available to the Secretary, who may  
11 make amounts available to the Secretary of Ag-  
12 riculture and to other Federal or State agen-  
13 cies, as appropriate, for the purposes of—

14 (i) addressing the impacts of wind or  
15 solar development on Federal land, includ-  
16 ing restoring and protecting—

17 (I) wildlife habitat for affected  
18 species;

19 (II) wildlife corridors for affected  
20 species; and

21 (III) water resources in areas im-  
22 pacted by wind or solar energy devel-  
23 opment;

24 (ii) conducting research with regional  
25 institutions of higher education necessary

1 to implement restoration and protection  
2 activities described in clause (i);

3 (iii) securing recreational access to  
4 Federal land through an easement, right-  
5 of-way, or fee title acquisition from willing  
6 sellers for the purpose of providing en-  
7 hanced public access to existing Federal  
8 land that is inaccessible or significantly re-  
9 stricted if the enhanced public access does  
10 not impact the natural and cultural re-  
11 source values of the Federal land;

12 (iv) carrying out activities authorized  
13 under chapter 2003 of title 54, United  
14 States Code, in the State; and

15 (v) establishing, operating, and main-  
16 taining a trans-State desert tortoise con-  
17 servation center on public land along the  
18 California-Nevada border—

19 (I) to support desert tortoise re-  
20 search, disease monitoring, handling  
21 training, rehabilitation, and reintro-  
22 duction;

23 (II) to provide temporary quar-  
24 ters for animals collected from author-

1                    ized salvage from renewable energy  
2                    sites; and

3                    (III) to ensure the full recovery  
4                    and ongoing survival of the species.

5                    (B) DESERT TORTOISE CONSERVATION.—

6                    In carrying out subparagraph (A)(v), the Sec-  
7                    retary shall—

8                    (i) seek the participation of or con-  
9                    tract with qualified nongovernmental orga-  
10                    nizations with expertise in desert tortoise  
11                    disease research and experience with desert  
12                    tortoise translocation techniques, and sci-  
13                    entific training of professional biologists  
14                    for handling tortoises, to staff and manage  
15                    the desert tortoise conservation center;

16                    (ii) ensure that the center engages in  
17                    public outreach and education on tortoise  
18                    handling; and

19                    (iii) consult with the State of Cali-  
20                    fornia and the State of Nevada to ensure  
21                    the center is operated consistent with State  
22                    law.

23                    (C) ADVISORY BOARD.—

24                    (i) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary shall  
25                    establish an independent advisory board

1 composed of key stakeholders and technical  
2 experts to provide recommendations and  
3 guidance on the disposition of any amounts  
4 expended from the Fund.

5 (ii) ADMINISTRATIVE COSTS.—

6 Amounts in the Fund shall not be used to  
7 fund any of the administrative costs of the  
8 advisory board established under clause (i).

9 (3) MITIGATION REQUIREMENTS.—The expend-  
10 iture of funds under this subsection shall be in addi-  
11 tion to any mitigation requirements imposed pursu-  
12 ant to any law, regulation, or term or condition of  
13 any lease, right-of-way, or other authorization.

14 (4) INVESTMENT OF FUND.—

15 (A) IN GENERAL.—Any amounts deposited  
16 in the Fund shall earn interest in an amount  
17 determined by the Secretary of the Treasury on  
18 the basis of the current average market yield on  
19 outstanding marketable obligations of the  
20 United States of comparable maturities.

21 (B) USE.—Any interest earned under sub-  
22 paragraph (A) shall be expended in accordance  
23 with this subsection.