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To provide for the establishment of a grazing management program on Federal land in Malheur County, Oregon, and for other purposes.

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Mr. BENTZ introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Natural Resources

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.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Oregon Owyhee Wil-
5 derness and Community Protection Act”.

6 **SECTION 2. DEFINITIONS.**

7 In this Act:

8 (1) BUREAU.—The term “Bureau” means the
9 Bureau of Land Management.

1 (2) COUNTY.—The term “County” means
2 Malheur County, Oregon.

3 (3) FEDERAL LAND.—The term “Federal land”
4 means land in the County managed by the Bureau.

5 (4) SECRETARY.—The term “Secretary” means
6 the Secretary of the Interior.

7 (5) STATE.—The term “State” means the State
8 of Oregon.

9 (6) STATE LANDS.—The term “State lands”
10 means any lands owned by the State.

11 (7) MALHEUR C.E.O. GROUP.—The term
12 “Malheur C.E.O. Group” means the group estab-
13 lished by section 3(b).

14 (8) PRIVATE LANDS.—The term “Private
15 lands” means any land that is privately owned, and
16 not owned by any local, State, or Federal Govern-
17 ment or agency.

18 (9) OPERATIONAL FLEXIBILITY.—The term
19 “operational flexibility”, with respect to grazing on
20 the Federal land, means—

21 (A) a seasonal adjustment of livestock po-
22 sitioning for the purposes of that grazing pur-
23 suant to a flexible grazing use authorized under
24 the program with respect to which written no-
25 tice is provided; or

1 (B) an adjustment of water source place-
2 ment with respect to which written notice is
3 provided.

4 (10) PROGRAM.—The term “program” means
5 the Malheur County Grazing Management Program
6 authorized under section 2(a).

7 **SEC. 3. MALHEUR COUNTY GRAZING MANAGEMENT PRO-**
8 **GRAM.**

9 (a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary shall carry out a
10 grazing management program on the Federal land, to be
11 known as the “Malheur County Grazing Management Pro-
12 gram” for the purpose of providing to authorized grazing
13 permittees and lessees operational flexibility as set forth
14 in this section.

15 (b) PERMIT OPERATIONAL FLEXIBILITY.—

16 (1) FLEXIBLE GRAZING USE ALTERNATIVE FOR
17 A GRAZING PERMIT OR LEASE.—Solely at the re-
18 quest of an authorized grazing permittee or lessee,
19 for purposes of renewing a grazing permittee or les-
20 see’s grazing permit or lease under the program,
21 pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act
22 of 1969 (42 U.S.C. 4321 et seq.), the Secretary
23 shall develop and analyze at least 1 alternative to
24 provide operational flexibility in livestock grazing use
25 to account for changing conditions.

1 (2) INTERIM OPERATIONAL FLEXIBILITIES.—If
2 an applicable monitoring plan has been adopted
3 under paragraph (3), to meet or make significant
4 progress in meeting applicable Rangeland Health
5 Standards and applicable livestock management ob-
6 jectives in the applicable land use plan, on the re-
7 quest of an authorized grazing permittee or lessee,
8 the Secretary, using new or existing data, shall allow
9 a variance to the terms and conditions of the exist-
10 ing applicable grazing permit or lease for the appli-
11 cable year due to changes in weather, forage produc-
12 tion, effects of fire or drought, or other conditions—

13 (A) to adjust the season of use, the begin-
14 ning date of the period of use, the ending date
15 of the period of use, or both the beginning date
16 and ending date, as applicable, under the graz-
17 ing permit or lease, subject to the requirements
18 that—

19 (i) unless otherwise specified in the
20 appropriate allotment management plan or
21 any other activity plan that is the func-
22 tional equivalent to the appropriate allot-
23 ment management plan under section
24 4120.2(a)(3) of title 43, Code of Federal
25 Regulations (or a successor regulation),

1 the applicable adjusted date of the season
2 of use occurs—

3 (I) not earlier than 14 days be-
4 fore the beginning date specified in
5 the applicable permit or lease; and

6 (II) not later than 14 days after
7 the ending date specified in the appli-
8 cable permit or lease; and

9 (ii) the authorized grazing permittee
10 or lessee provides written notice of the ad-
11 justment to the Bureau not later than 2
12 business days before the date of adjust-
13 ment;

14 (B) to adjust the dates for pasture rotation
15 by not more than 14 days, subject to the re-
16 quirement that the authorized grazing per-
17 mittee or lessee shall provide to the Bureau
18 written notice of the adjustment not later than
19 2 business days before the date of adjustment;

20 (C) to adjust the placement of existing
21 water structures for livestock or wildlife, subject
22 to applicable water right laws, that any adjust-
23 ment should not be placed within 100 yards
24 from any associated roads and the requirement
25 that the authorized grazing permittee or lessee

1 shall provide to the Bureau written notice of
2 the adjustment not later than 2 business days
3 before the date of adjustment; and

4 (D) any variance authorized by the Sec-
5 retary through the Bureau shall be immediately
6 effective upon issue, shall by itself be final
7 agency action, and shall not require conform-
8 ance to 43 C.F.R. part 4100, subpart 4160, or
9 the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969
10 (42 U.S.C. 4321 et seq.). The variance shall be
11 in writing and signed by the authorized officer
12 of the Bureau.

13 (3) MONITORING PLANS FOR PERMIT FLEXI-
14 BILITY.—

15 (A) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary shall
16 adopt cooperative rangeland monitoring plans
17 to apply to actions taken under paragraph (2)
18 and to monitor and evaluate current permitted
19 livestock use upon the pasture(s) or allot-
20 ment(s) to be monitored as related to whether
21 such livestock use is the significant factor or
22 not in meeting or making significant progress
23 in meeting applicable Rangeland Health Stand-
24 ards and applicable livestock management ob-
25 jectives in the applicable land use plan.

1 (B) REQUIREMENTS.—A monitoring plan
2 developed under subparagraph (A) shall be
3 based upon existing ecological conditions with
4 reliance upon the ecological site descriptions, in-
5 cluding the State and transitions models, as de-
6 fined by the Chief of the Natural Resources
7 Conservation Service, of the area to be mon-
8 itored, and shall—

9 (i) evaluate the percent utilization of
10 available forage, the existing ecological
11 condition, and the trend of ecological con-
12 dition of the area to be monitored;

13 (ii) include—

14 (I) a description of the utilization
15 standards for which the monitoring is
16 tracking, including baseline ecological
17 conditions and desired outcome eco-
18 logical conditions;

19 (II) a description of utilization
20 evaluation protocol;

21 (III) an evaluation schedule iden-
22 tifying periods during which utiliza-
23 tion data will be collected;

24 (IV) provisions for adjusting any
25 components of the monitoring plan,

1 including acceptance of data from
2 identified third parties; and

3 (V) a description of the method
4 to communicate the criteria for ad-
5 justing livestock grazing use based on
6 the on-the-ground ecological condi-
7 tions after the period of use; and

8 (iii) provide for annual reports on the
9 effects of flexibility in grazing permit or
10 lease uses under the program to allow the
11 Secretary to make management adjust-
12 ments to account for the information pro-
13 vided in the annual report.

14 (4) TERMS AND CONDITIONS.—

15 (A) PREFERRED ALTERNATIVE.—If the
16 Secretary determines that an alternative consid-
17 ered under the program that provides oper-
18 ational flexibility is the preferred alternative,
19 the Secretary shall—

20 (i) incorporate the alternative, includ-
21 ing applicable monitoring plans adopted
22 under paragraph (3), into the terms and
23 conditions of the applicable grazing permit
24 or lease; and

1 (ii) specify how the monitoring infor-
2 mation with respect to the preferred alter-
3 native should be used to inform manage-
4 ment adjustments under the program.

5 (B) ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS.—The
6 Secretary may include any other requirements
7 in a permit or lease with respect to which an
8 alternative has been incorporated under sub-
9 paragraph (A) that the Secretary determines to
10 be necessary.

11 (c) NO EFFECT ON GRAZING PRIVILEGES.—Nothing
12 in this Act—

13 (1) affects grazing privileges provided under the
14 Act of June 28, 1934 (commonly known as the
15 “Taylor Grazing Act”; 43 U.S.C. 315 et seq.);

16 (2) requires the Secretary to consider modifying
17 or terminating the classification of any existing graz-
18 ing district on the Federal land in any subsequent
19 plan or decision of the Secretary; or

20 (3) precludes the Secretary from modifying or
21 terminating an existing permit or lease in accord-
22 ance with applicable law (including regulations).

23 **SEC. 4. MALHEUR C.E.O. GROUP.**

24 (a) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

1 (1) CONSENSUS.—The term “consensus” means
2 a unanimous agreement by the voting members of
3 the Malheur C.E.O. Group present and constituting
4 a quorum at a regularly scheduled business meeting
5 of the Malheur C.E.O. Group.

6 (2) FEDERAL AGENCY.—

7 (A) IN GENERAL.—The term “Federal
8 agency” means an agency or department of the
9 Government of the United States.

10 (B) INCLUSIONS.—The term “Federal
11 agency” includes—

- 12 (i) the Bureau of Reclamation;
- 13 (ii) the Bureau of Indian Affairs;
- 14 (iii) the Bureau;
- 15 (iv) the United States Fish and Wild-
16 life Service; and
- 17 (v) the Natural Resources Conserva-
18 tion Service.

19 (3) QUORUM.—The term “quorum” means 1
20 more than ½ of the voting members of the Malheur
21 C.E.O. Group.

22 (b) ESTABLISHMENT.—There is established the
23 Malheur C.E.O. Group to assist in carrying out this sec-
24 tion.

25 (c) MEMBERSHIP.—

1 (1) IN GENERAL.—The Malheur C.E.O. Group
2 shall consist of 8 voting members, to be appointed
3 by the Secretary, based on recommendations from
4 the Vale District Bureau manager and the County
5 commissioners, of whom—

6 (A) 3 shall be representatives of grazing
7 permittees and lessees in the County;

8 (B) 3 shall be representatives of other
9 businesses or conservation organizations in the
10 County, of whom at least 2 shall reside in the
11 County; and

12 (C) 1 shall be a representative of the
13 Burns Paiute Tribe and 1 shall be a represent-
14 ative of the Fort McDermott Tribe.

15 (2) APPOINTMENT.—

16 (A) INITIAL APPOINTMENTS.—Not later
17 than 180 days after the date of enactment of
18 this Act, all will be selected by the county court
19 through submitted application by any interested
20 parties.

21 (B) TERMS.—Each member of the
22 Malheur C.E.O. Group shall serve for a term of
23 3 years.

1 (C) REAPPOINTMENT.—A member of the
2 Malheur C.E.O. Group may be reappointed for
3 1 or more additional 3-year terms.

4 (D) VACANCIES.—A vacancy on the
5 Malheur C.E.O. Group shall be filled—

6 (i) as soon as practicable after the va-
7 cancy occurs; and

8 (ii) in the same manner as the origi-
9 nal appointment.

10 (d) PROJECTS.—

11 (1) IN GENERAL.—The Malheur C.E.O. Group
12 shall propose eligible projects described in paragraph
13 (2) on the Federal land and water and non-Federal
14 land and water in the County to be carried out by
15 the Malheur C.E.O. Group or a third party, using
16 funds provided by the Malheur C.E.O. Group, if a
17 consensus of the Malheur C.E.O. Group approves
18 the proposed eligible project.

19 (2) DESCRIPTION OF ELIGIBLE PROJECTS.—An
20 eligible project referred to in paragraph (1) is a
21 project—

22 (A) that complies with existing law (includ-
23 ing regulations); and

24 (B) relating to—

- 1 (i) ecological restoration, including de-
2 velopment, planning, and implementation;
- 3 (ii) range improvements for the pur-
4 pose of providing more efficient and effec-
5 tive ecologically beneficial management of
6 domestic livestock, fish, wildlife, or habitat;
- 7 (iii) invasive species management or
8 eradication, including invasive weeds, vege-
9 tation, fish, or wildlife;
- 10 (iv) restoration of springs and related
11 water infrastructure to enhance the avail-
12 ability of sustainable flows of freshwater
13 for livestock, fish, or wildlife;
- 14 (v) conservation of cultural sites;
- 15 (vi) economic development or recre-
16 ation management; or
- 17 (vii) research, monitoring, or analysis.

18 (3) REQUIREMENT.—

19 (A) IN GENERAL.—In the case of an eligi-
20 ble project proposed under paragraph (1) that
21 is to be carried out on Federal land or requires
22 the use of Federal funds, the project may not
23 be carried out without the approval of the head
24 of the applicable Federal agency.

1 (B) FAILURE TO APPROVE.—If an eligible
2 project described in subparagraph (A) is not
3 approved by the head of the applicable Federal
4 agency, not later than 14 business days after
5 the date on which the proposal is submitted to
6 the head of the applicable Federal agency, the
7 head of the Federal agency shall provide to the
8 Malheur C.E.O. Group in writing a description
9 of the reasons for not approving the proposed
10 eligible project.

11 (4) FAILURE TO APPROVE BY CONSENSUS.—If
12 an eligible project proposed under paragraph (1) is
13 not agreed to by consensus after 3 votes are con-
14 ducted by the Malheur C.E.O. Group, the proposed
15 eligible project may be agreed to by a quorum of the
16 members of the Malheur C.E.O. Group, subject to
17 the limitations that—

18 (A) the eligible project may not be carried
19 out on the Federal land; and

20 (B) no Federal funds may be used for an
21 eligible project that is agreed to in accordance
22 with this paragraph.

23 (5) ACCEPTANCE OF DONATIONS.—The
24 Malheur C.E.O. Group may—

1 (A) accept and place into a trust fund any
2 donations, grants, or other funds received by
3 the Malheur C.E.O. Group; and

4 (B) use amounts placed into a trust fund
5 under subparagraph (A) to carry out eligible
6 projects approved in accordance with this sec-
7 tion, including eligible projects carried out on
8 the Federal land or water or using Federal
9 funds, if the project is approved by the head of
10 the applicable Federal agency.

11 (6) COST-SHARING REQUIREMENT.—

12 (A) IN GENERAL.—The Federal share of
13 the total cost of an eligible project carried out
14 using amounts made available under subsection
15 (h) shall be not more than 75 percent.

16 (B) FORM OF NON-FEDERAL CONTRIBU-
17 TION.—The non-Federal contribution required
18 under subparagraph (A) may be provided in the
19 form of in-kind contributions.

20 (7) FUNDING RECOMMENDATIONS.—All funding
21 recommendations developed by the Malheur C.E.O.
22 Group shall be based on a consensus of the Malheur
23 C.E.O. Group members.

24 (e) TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE.—Any Federal agency
25 with authority and responsibility in the County shall, to

1 the extent practicable, provide technical assistance to the
2 Malheur C.E.O. Group on request of the Malheur C.E.O.
3 Group.

4 (f) PUBLIC NOTICE AND PARTICIPATION.—The
5 Malheur C.E.O. Group shall conduct all meetings subject
6 to applicable open meeting and public participation laws.

7 (g) PRIORITIES.—For purposes of approving eligible
8 projects proposed under subsection (d)(1), the Malheur
9 C.E.O. Group shall give priority to voluntary habitat,
10 range, and ecosystem restoration projects focused on im-
11 proving the long-term ecological health of the Federal land
12 and natural bodies of water.

13 (h) ADDITIONAL PROJECTS.—To the extent per-
14 mitted by applicable law and subject to the availability of
15 appropriations, Federal agencies may contribute to the im-
16 plementation of projects recommended by the Malheur
17 C.E.O. Group and approved by the Secretary.

18 (i) EFFECT.—

19 (1) EXISTING ACTIVITIES.—The activities of
20 the Malheur C.E.O. Group shall supplement, and
21 not replace, existing activities to manage the natural
22 resources of the County.

23 (2) LEGAL RIGHTS, DUTIES, OR AUTHORI-
24 TIES.—Nothing in this section affects any legal
25 right, duty, or authority of any person or Federal

1 agency, including any member of the Malheur
 2 C.E.O. Group.

3 **SEC. 5. WILDERNESS DESIGNATIONS AND OTHER LAND**
 4 **DESIGNATIONS AND RELATED MANAGEMENT**
 5 **TO DESIGNATIONS.**

6 (a) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

7 (1) MAP.—The term “Map” means each of the
 8 following:

9 (A) Wilderness Area Maps Exhibits 1
 10 through 23.

11 (B) Existing Road Maps—Roads Exhibits
 12 24 through 28.

13 (C) Special Management Area Exhibits 29
 14 through 30.

15 (2) SPECIAL MANAGEMENT AREA.—The term
 16 “Special Management Areas” means a special man-
 17 agement area designated by subsection (b)(1).

18 (3) WILDERNESS AREA.—The term “wilderness
 19 area” means a wilderness area designated by sub-
 20 section (c)(1).

21 (b) DESIGNATION OF SPECIAL MANAGEMENT
 22 AREAS.—

23 (1) DESIGNATION.—Subject to valid existing
 24 rights, the following Special Management Areas in
 25 the County are designated:

1 (A) KEENEY CREEK SPECIAL MANAGE-
2 MENT AREA.—The Bureau land comprising ap-
3 proximately 23,431 acres, as generally depicted
4 by the label “Proposed KEENEY CREEK
5 SPECIAL MANAGEMENT AREA” on the
6 map entitled “Special Management Areas” and
7 dated January 15, 2025.

8 (B) CLARK RANCH SPECIAL MANAGEMENT
9 AREA.—The following units of Bureau land
10 comprising approximately 17,443 acres, as gen-
11 erally depicted by the label “Proposed Clark
12 Ranch Special Management Area” on the map
13 entitled “Special Management Areas” and Jan-
14 uary 15, 2025.

15 (2) ADMINISTRATION.—The Special Manage-
16 ment Areas shall be administered by the Bureau.

17 (3) PURPOSES.—The purpose of each Special
18 Management Area are—

19 (A) invasive species control must be al-
20 lowed;

21 (B) fire suppression must be allowed;

22 (C) livestock production must be allowed
23 and protected; and

24 (D) Tribal access for cultural purposes
25 must be allowed and protected.

1 (4) MANAGEMENT.—

2 (A) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary shall
3 manage the Special Management Areas—

4 (i) in furtherance of the purposes de-
5 scribed in paragraph (3); and

6 (ii) in accordance with—

7 (I) the laws (including regula-
8 tions) generally applicable to the Bu-
9 reau;

10 (II) this subsection; and

11 (III) any other applicable law (in-
12 cluding regulations).

13 (B) ROADS; MOTORIZED VEHICLES.—

14 (i) ROADS.—The construction of new
15 permanent roads in the Special Manage-
16 ment Areas shall not be allowed.

17 (ii) MOTORIZED VEHICLES.—The use
18 of motorized and mechanized vehicles and
19 equipment in the Special Management
20 Areas on existing roads and trails shall be
21 allowed for administrative or official pur-
22 poses, emergency response, fire manage-
23 ment, national defense in times of national
24 defense emergencies, rangeland health and
25 restoration, weed and pest control, habitat

1 management, livestock production, range
2 improvement, and fence and water infra-
3 structure repair and replacement.

4 (C) GRAZING.—Grazing of livestock in the
5 Special Management Areas shall be adminis-
6 tered in accordance with the Act of June 28,
7 1934 (commonly known as the “Taylor Grazing
8 Act”; 43 U.S.C. 315 et seq.), and other laws
9 generally applicable to grazing on the Federal
10 land.

11 (D) RIGHTS-OF-WAY.—Subject to valid ex-
12 isting rights, the Special Management Areas
13 are closed to new rights-of-way.

14 (5) WITHDRAWAL.—Subject to valid existing
15 rights, the Special Management Areas are with-
16 drawn from—

17 (A) all forms of appropriation or disposal
18 under the public land laws, except as to the ex-
19 change of any Private lands within or imme-
20 diately adjacent to the Special Management
21 Areas;

22 (B) location, entry, and patent under the
23 mining laws; and

24 (C) disposition under laws relating to min-
25 eral and geothermal leasing.

1 (6) MAPS AND LEGAL DESCRIPTIONS.—

2 (A) IN GENERAL.—As soon as practicable
3 after the date of enactment of this Act, the Sec-
4 retary shall prepare a map and legal description
5 of each special management area based upon
6 Special Management Area Exhibits 29 through
7 30.

8 (B) EFFECT.—Each map and legal de-
9 scription prepared under subparagraph (A)
10 shall have the same force and effect as if in-
11 cluded in this Act, except that the Secretary
12 may correct clerical and typographical errors in
13 the map or legal description and except that the
14 Secretary shall adjust the boundary of any spe-
15 cial management area to the closest, adjacent
16 grazing allotment boundary to ensure that any
17 grazing allotment will not be partially within
18 any special management. This means that any
19 special management area shall be diminished to
20 existing grazing allotment boundaries.

21 (C) PUBLIC AVAILABILITY.—The maps
22 and legal descriptions prepared under subpara-
23 graph (A) shall be on file and available for pub-
24 lic inspection in the appropriate offices of the
25 Bureau.

1 (c) DESIGNATION OF WILDERNESS AREAS.—

2 (1) IN GENERAL.—In accordance with the Wil-
3 derness Act (16 U.S.C. 1131 et seq.), the following
4 Federal land in the County comprising approxi-
5 mately 924,440 acres, as generally depicted on the
6 Map, is designated as wilderness and as components
7 of the National Wilderness Preservation System:

8 (A) FIFTEENMILE CREEK WILDERNESS.—

9 Certain Federal land, comprising approximately
10 50,357 acres, as generally depicted as exhibit
11 02 on the Map, which shall be known as the
12 “Fifteenmile Creek Wilderness”.

13 (B) OREGON CANYON MOUNTAINS WILDER-

14 NESS.—Certain Federal land, comprising ap-
15 proximately 42,035 acres, as generally depicted
16 exhibit 03 on the Map, which shall be known as
17 the “Oregon Canyon Mountains Wilderness”.

18 (C) TWELVEMILE CREEK WILDERNESS.—

19 Certain Federal land, comprising approximately
20 28,123 acres, as generally depicted as exhibit
21 04 on the Map, which shall be known as the
22 “Twelvemile Creek Wilderness”.

23 (D) UPPER WEST LITTLE OWYHEE WIL-

24 DERNES.—Certain Federal land, comprising
25 approximately 93,199 acres, as generally de-

1 picted as exhibit 05 on the Map, which shall be
2 known as the “Upper West Little Owyhee Wil-
3 derness”.

4 (E) LOOKOUT BUTTE WILDERNESS.—Cer-
5 tain Federal land, comprising approximately
6 66,242 acres, as generally depicted as exhibit
7 13 on the Map, which shall be known as the
8 “Lookout Butte Wilderness”.

9 (F) MARY GAUTREAUX OWYHEE RIVER
10 CANYON WILDERNESS.—Certain Federal land,
11 comprising approximately 195,197 acres, as
12 generally depicted as exhibit 06 on the Map,
13 which shall be known as the “Mary Gautreaux
14 Owyhee River Canyon Wilderness”.

15 (G) JORDAN CRATERS WILDERNESS.—Cer-
16 tain Federal land, comprising approximately
17 29,255 acres, as generally depicted as exhibit
18 08 on the Map, which shall be known as the
19 “Jordan Craters Wilderness”.

20 (H) OWYHEE BREAKS WILDERNESS.—Cer-
21 tain Federal land, comprising approximately
22 31,637 acres, as generally depicted as exhibit
23 09 on the Map, which shall be known as the
24 “Owyhee Breaks Wilderness”.

1 (I) DRY CREEK WILDERNESS.—Certain
2 Federal land, comprising approximately 33,209
3 acres, as generally depicted as exhibit 14 on the
4 Map, which shall be known as the “Dry Creek
5 Wilderness”.

6 (J) DRY CREEK BUTTES WILDERNESS.—
7 Certain Federal land, comprising approximately
8 88,289 acres, as generally depicted as exhibit
9 15 on the Map, which shall be known as the
10 “Dry Creek Buttes Wilderness”.

11 (K) UPPER LESLIE GULCH WILDER-
12 NESS.—Certain Federal land, comprising ap-
13 proximately 2,997 acres, as generally depicted
14 as exhibit 10 on the Map, which shall be known
15 as the “Upper Leslie Gulch Wilderness”.

16 (L) SLOCUM CREEK WILDERNESS.—Cer-
17 tain Federal land, comprising approximately
18 7,534 acres, as generally depicted as exhibit 11
19 on the Map, which shall be known as the “Slo-
20 cum Creek Wilderness”.

21 (M) HONEYCOMBS WILDERNESS.—Certain
22 Federal land, comprising approximately 41,122
23 acres, as generally depicted as exhibit 12 on the
24 Map, which shall be known as the “Honey-
25 combs Wilderness”.

1 (N) LOWER OWYHEE CANYON WILDER-
2 NESS.—Certain Federal land, comprising ap-
3 proximately 70,980 acres, as generally depicted
4 as exhibit 07 on the Map, which shall be known
5 as the “Lower Owyhee Canyon Wilderness”.

6 (O) WILD HORSE BASIN WILDERNESS.—
7 Certain Federal land, comprising approximately
8 18,402 acres, as generally depicted as exhibit
9 16 on the Map, which shall be known as the
10 “Wild Horse Basin Wilderness”.

11 (P) BLACK BUTTE WILDERNESS.—Certain
12 Federal land, comprising approximately 12,058
13 acres, as generally depicted as exhibit 17 on the
14 Map, which shall be known as the “Black Butte
15 Wilderness”.

16 (Q) TWIN BUTTE WILDERNESS.—Certain
17 Federal land, comprising approximately 18,150
18 acres, as generally depicted as exhibit 18 on the
19 Map, which shall be known as the “Twin Butte
20 Wilderness”.

21 (R) OREGON BUTTE WILDERNESS.—Cer-
22 tain Federal land, comprising approximately
23 31,934 acres, as generally depicted as exhibit
24 19 on the Map, which shall be known as the
25 “Oregon Butte Wilderness”.

1 (S) MAHOGANY BUTTE WILDERNESS.—
2 Certain Federal land, comprising approximately
3 8,953 acres, as generally depicted as exhibit 20
4 on the Map, which shall be known as the “Ma-
5 hogany Butte Wilderness”.

6 (T) DEER FLAT WILDERNESS.—Certain
7 Federal land, comprising approximately 12,250
8 acres, as generally depicted as exhibit 21 on the
9 Map, which shall be known as the “Deer Flat
10 Wilderness”.

11 (U) SACRAMENTO HILL WILDERNESS.—
12 Certain Federal land, comprising approximately
13 9,574 acres, as generally depicted as exhibit 22
14 on the Map, which shall be known as the “Sac-
15 ramento Hill Wilderness”.

16 (V) QUARTZ MOUNTAIN WILDERNESS.—
17 Certain Federal land, comprising approximately
18 32,943 acres, as generally depicted as exhibit
19 23 on the Map, which shall be known as the
20 “Quartz Mountain Wilderness”.

21 (2) MAPS AND LEGAL DESCRIPTIONS.—

22 (A) IN GENERAL.—As soon as practicable
23 after the date of enactment of this Act, the Sec-
24 retary shall prepare a map and legal description

1 of each wilderness area based on Wilderness
2 Area Maps Exhibits 1 through 23.

3 (B) EFFECT.—Each map and legal de-
4 scription prepared under subparagraph (A)
5 shall have the same force and effect as if in-
6 cluded in this Act, except that the Secretary
7 may correct clerical and typographical errors in
8 the map or legal description and except that the
9 Secretary shall adjust the boundary of any wil-
10 derness area to the closest, adjacent grazing al-
11 lotment boundary to ensure that any grazing al-
12 lotment will not be partially within any wilder-
13 ness. This means that any wilderness area shall
14 be diminished to existing grazing allotment
15 boundaries.

16 (C) PUBLIC AVAILABILITY.—The maps
17 and legal descriptions prepared under subpara-
18 graph (A) shall be on file and available for pub-
19 lic inspection in the appropriate offices of the
20 Bureau.

21 (3) MANAGEMENT.—

22 (A) IN GENERAL.—Subject to valid exist-
23 ing rights, the wilderness areas shall be admin-
24 istered by the Secretary in accordance with the

1 Wilderness Act (16 U.S.C. 1131 et seq.), except
2 that—

3 (i) any reference in that Act to the ef-
4 fective date of that Act shall be considered
5 to be a reference to the date of enactment
6 of this Act; and

7 (ii) any reference in that Act to the
8 Secretary of Agriculture shall be consid-
9 ered to be a reference to the Secretary.

10 (B) GRAZING.—The Secretary shall allow
11 the continuation of the grazing of livestock, in
12 the wilderness areas, if established before the
13 date of enactment of this Act, in accordance
14 with—

15 (i) section 4(d)(4) of the Wilderness
16 Act (16 U.S.C. 1133(d)(4)); and

17 (ii) the “guidelines and policies” set
18 forth in appendix A of the report of the
19 Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs
20 of the House of Representatives accom-
21 panying H.R. 2570 of the 101st Congress
22 (H. Rept. 101–405 dated February 21,
23 1990).

24 The “number of livestock permitted” as used in
25 “guideline and policy” number 1 shall mean the

1 “Permitted use” animal unit months prescribed
2 in the existing Grazing Permits upon enactment
3 of this Act, in addition to any Nonrenewal
4 Grazing Permits issued by the Bureau within a
5 10-year period before enactment of this Act.
6 Said appendix A shall control over of clause (i).

7 (C) ROADS ADJACENT TO AND WITHIN
8 WILDERNESS AREAS.—

9 (i) Nothing in this Act requires any
10 restriction, inclusive of closure or seasonal
11 closure, of any road outside but adjacent
12 to the boundary of any wilderness des-
13 ignated in subsection (c)(1).

14 (ii) The Secretary shall allow the con-
15 tinuation of motorized use of road access
16 upon the cherry stem roads shown in Ex-
17 isting Road Maps—Roads Exhibits 24
18 through 28. These cherry stem roads lie
19 upon Federal land and not within any wil-
20 derness designated in subsection (c)(1).

21 (iii) The Secretary shall—

22 (I) allow the continuation of mo-
23 torized use of road access upon the
24 pipeline roads shown in Existing Road
25 Maps—Roads Exhibits 24 through

1 28, except if otherwise determined
2 necessary by the Secretary for—

3 (aa) the administration of
4 the area by the Bureau, the
5 County, or the State;

6 (bb) grazing uses by an au-
7 thorized grazing permittee or les-
8 see;

9 (cc) access to Private lands;
10 or

11 (dd) access to lands by an
12 Indian Tribe for cultural reasons;
13 and

14 (II) to the extent that such pipe-
15 lines roads lie within the wilderness
16 designated in subsection (c)(1), shall
17 manage such pipeline roads as a com-
18 ponent of the National Wilderness
19 Preservation System.

20 (iv) The Secretary may allow the con-
21 tinuation of motorized use of reasonable
22 access on other roads not identified on the
23 Existing Road Maps—Roads Exhibits 24
24 through 28 pursuant to the minimum re-
25 quirement analysis under section 4(c) of

1 the Wilderness Act (16 U.S.C. 1133(c)).
2 For purposes of this clause, the term “rea-
3 sonable access” includes any road existing
4 on the date of enactment of this Act.

5 (v) Any road within or across any wil-
6 derness designated in subsection (c)(1)
7 shall be not less than 15-feet on each side
8 of the centerline of the road.

9 (vi) This Act shall not preclude use on
10 any wilderness designated in subsection
11 (c)(1) of mechanical equipment including
12 chainsaws, backhoe excavators, caterpillar
13 tractors, or the like for the purpose of
14 wildfire suppression, invasive species con-
15 trol, activities necessary for management
16 of livestock present on the land under
17 grazing permits (including but not limited
18 to distribution of salt, maintenance on the
19 roads, replacement or repair of water fa-
20 cilities and fencing, doctoring cattle, dis-
21 persing of livestock, or gathering, or re-
22 moval of livestock).

23 (vii) Nothing in this Act shall be con-
24 strued to restrict access to, repair of, re-
25 placement of, or use of, water delivery

1 pipelines pursuant to any valid agreement
2 existing as of the date of enactment of this
3 Act.

4 (D) FISH AND WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT
5 ACTIVITIES.—

6 (i) IN GENERAL.—In furtherance of
7 the purposes and principles of the Wilder-
8 ness Act (16 U.S.C. 1131 et seq.), the Sec-
9 retary may conduct any management ac-
10 tivities that are necessary to maintain or
11 restore fish and wildlife populations and
12 habitats in the wilderness areas, if the
13 management activities are—

14 (I) consistent with applicable wil-
15 derness management plans; and

16 (II) conducted in accordance with
17 the “General Policy” inclusive of the
18 “Guidelines” therein established in
19 appendix B of the report of the Com-
20 mittee on Interior and Insular Affairs
21 of the House of Representatives ac-
22 companying H.R. 2570 of the 101st
23 Congress (House Report 101–405
24 dated February 21, 1990).

1 (ii) INCLUSIONS.—Management activi-
2 ties under clause (i) may include the occa-
3 sional and temporary use of motorized ve-
4 hicles, if the use, as determined by the
5 Secretary, would promote healthy, viable,
6 and more naturally distributed wildlife
7 populations that would enhance wilderness
8 values while causing the minimum impact
9 necessary to accomplish those tasks.

10 (E) EXISTING ACTIVITIES.—Consistent
11 with section 4(d)(1) of the Wilderness Act (16
12 U.S.C. 1133(d)(1)) and in accordance with ap-
13 propriate policies, such as the policies estab-
14 lished in appendix B of the report of the Com-
15 mittee on Interior and Insular Affairs of the
16 House of Representatives accompanying H.R.
17 2570 of the 101st Congress (House Report
18 101–405 dated February 21, 1990), the State
19 may use aircraft (including helicopters) in the
20 wilderness areas to survey capture, transplant,
21 monitor, and provide water for wildlife popu-
22 lations, including bighorn sheep and feral stock,
23 feral horses, and feral burros.

1 (d) MANAGEMENT OF FEDERAL LAND NOT DES-
2 IGNATED AS WILDERNESS AND SPECIAL MANAGEMENT
3 AREA.—

4 (1) FINDING.—Congress finds that, for pur-
5 poses of section 201(a) and section 603(c) of the
6 Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976
7 (43 U.S.C. 1711(a); 1782(c)), the Federal land des-
8 ignated in this Act as wilderness and all other Fed-
9 eral land in the County has been adequately inven-
10 toried and studied to allow for wilderness purposes.

11 (2) REDESIGNATION.—Except as provided in
12 paragraph (3), all Federal land managed by the Bu-
13 reau in the County not included in the land des-
14 ignated herein as wilderness and all other Federal
15 land described in paragraph (1)—

16 (A) is released and is no longer subject to
17 section 603(c) of the Federal Land Policy and
18 Management Act of 1976 (43 U.S.C. 1782(c))
19 for wilderness study area purposes; and

20 (B) shall be managed for values unrelated
21 to wilderness purposes and shall be managed
22 for the principal or major uses (as defined in
23 section 103(l) of the Federal Land Policy and
24 Management Act of 1976 (43 U.S.C. 1702(l))),
25 in accordance with any applicable land use plan

1 adopted under section 202 of that Act (43
2 U.S.C. 1712).

3 (3) NO EFFECT ON CERTAIN WILDERNESS
4 STUDY AREAS SPANNING HARNEY COUNTY AND
5 MALHEUR COUNTY.—Nothing in this Act shall be
6 construed to change the following Wilderness Study
7 Areas which predominantly lay in Harney County,
8 Oregon, but have some parts that are in Malheur
9 County, Oregon:

10 (A) The Palomino Hills Wilderness Study
11 Area.

12 (B) The Sheephead Mountain Wilderness
13 Study Area.

14 (C) The Wildecat Canyon Wilderness Study
15 Area.

16 (D) The Alvord Desert Wilderness Study
17 Area.

18 (E) The Willow Creek Wilderness Study
19 Area.

20 (F) Disaster Peak Wilderness Study Area.

21 (e) THE AMENDED NOTICE.—On the date that is 3
22 years after the date of enactment of this Act, to conform
23 as necessary to give effect to this Act, the Secretary shall
24 initiate a process to amend the notice entitled “Notice of
25 Availability of the Record of Decision and Approved Re-

1 source Management Plan Amendment for the South-
2 eastern Oregon Resource Management Plan, Vale District,
3 Oregon” published by the Bureau in the Federal Register
4 on February 2, 2024 (89 Fed. Reg. 14090), and amended
5 on February 26, 2024. This amendment shall include the
6 associated Wilderness Plan for the wilderness designated
7 in subsection (c)(1) and shall include a Travel Manage-
8 ment Plan. The Secretary shall complete the land use plan
9 amended process within 24 months after initiation of the
10 process to amend in accordance with section 202 of the
11 Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976 (43
12 U.S.C. 1712).

13 (f) LIMITATION ON CERTAIN RESTRICTIONS BY THE
14 BUREAU RELATING TO FEDERAL LANDS UNDER THE
15 SOUTHEASTERN OREGON RESOURCE MANAGEMENT
16 PLAN NOT DESIGNATED AS WILDERNESS IN THIS ACT.—

17 (1) ROAD MAPS.—Not later than 60 days after
18 the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary
19 shall publish a map depicting all existing roads on
20 lands marked as “Unit Protected for Wilderness
21 Characteristics” and “Unit Managed for Other Re-
22 sources” in the notice entitled “Notice of Availability
23 of the Record of Decision and Approved Resource
24 Management Plan Amendment for the Southeastern
25 Oregon Resource Management Plan, Vale District,

1 Oregon” published by the Bureau in the Federal
2 Register on February 2, 2024 (89 Fed. Reg.
3 14090), and amended on February 26, 2024.

4 (2) ACCESS.—The Secretary shall not restrict
5 the use of motorized vehicles on the roads described
6 in paragraph (1) or on lands designated as “Unit
7 Protected for Wilderness Characteristics” or “Unit
8 Managed for Other Resources” in the notice de-
9 scribed in paragraph (1) for—

10 (A) members of the Burns-Paiute Tribe;

11 (B) livestock grazing permittees;

12 (C) the Bureau as necessary for range
13 management including mechanical suppression
14 of fire or invasive weeds;

15 (D) private land owners and their agents,
16 contractors, employees, and invitees as related
17 to access to their private land; and

18 (E) the County and the State and their
19 agents, contractors, and employees as related to
20 access to State lands and to access to any roads
21 managed by the County.

22 (3) GRAZING.—The Secretary shall not reduce
23 or restrict grazing of permittees or lessees on the
24 Federal land designated as “Unit Protected for Wil-
25 derness Characteristics” or “Unit Managed for

1 Other Resources” in the notice described in para-
 2 graph (1).

3 (4) CONTINUATION OF LIMITATIONS.—The lim-
 4 itations in this subsection shall be carried forward in
 5 the amended land use plan as prescribed to be devel-
 6 oped in accordance with subsection (e).

7 **SEC. 6. LAND CONVEYANCES TO BURNS PAIUTE TRIBE AND**
 8 **CASTLE ROCK CO-STEWARDSHIP AREA.**

9 (a) JONESBORO RANCH, ROAD GULCH, AND BLACK
 10 CANYON LAND CONVEYANCES.—

11 (1) CONVEYANCE AND TAKING INTO TRUST.—

12 (A) TITLE.—As soon as practicable after
 13 the date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary
 14 shall accept title to the land described in para-
 15 graph (2), if conveyed or otherwise transferred
 16 to the United States by, or on behalf of, the
 17 Burns Paiute Tribe.

18 (B) TRUST.—Land to which title is accept-
 19 ed by the Secretary under subparagraph (A)
 20 shall be held in trust by the United States for
 21 the benefit of the Burns Paiute Tribe.

22 (2) DESCRIPTION OF LAND.—The land referred
 23 to in paragraph (1)(A) is the following:

24 (A) JONESBORO RANCH.—The parcel com-
 25 monly known as “Jonesboro Ranch”, located

approximately 6 miles east of Juntura, Oregon,
 consisting of 21,548 acres of Federal land,
 6,686 acres of certain private land owned by
 the Burns Paiute Tribe and associated with the
 Jonesboro Ranch containing the pastures re-
 ferred to as “Saddle Horse” and “Trail Horse”,
 “Indian Creek”, “Sperry Creek”, “Antelope
 Swales”, “Horse Camp”, “Dinner Creek”,
 “Upper Hunter Creek”, and “Tim’s Peak”, and
 more particularly described as follows:

(i) T. 20 S., R. 38 E., secs. 25 and
 36, Willamette Meridian.

(ii) T. 20 S., R. 39 E., secs. 25–36,
 Willamette Meridian.

(iii) T. 20 S., R. 40 E., secs. 30, 31,
 and 32, Willamette Meridian.

(iv) T. 21 S., R. 39 E., secs. 1–18,
 20–29, and 32–36, Willamette Meridian.

(v) T. 21 S., R. 40 E., secs. 5–8, 17–
 19, 30, and 31, Willamette Meridian.

(vi) T. 22 S., R. 39 E., secs. 1–5, 8,
 and 9, Willamette Meridian.

(B) ROAD GULCH; BLACK CANYON.—The
 approximately 4,137 acres of State land con-
 taining the pastures referred to as “Road

1 Gulch” and “Black Canyon” and more particu-
2 larly described as follows:

3 (i) T. 20 S., R. 39 E., secs. 10, 11,
4 15, 14, 13, 21–28, and 36, Willamette Me-
5 ridian.

6 (ii) T. 20 S., R. 40 E., secs. 19, 30,
7 31, and 32, Willamette Meridian.

8 (3) APPLICABLE LAW.—Land taken into trust
9 under paragraph (1)(B) shall be administered in ac-
10 cordance with the laws (including regulations) gen-
11 erally applicable to property held in trust by the
12 United States for the benefit of an Indian Tribe.

13 (4) MAP OF TRUST LAND.—As soon as prac-
14 ticable after the date of enactment of this Act, the
15 Secretary shall prepare a map depicting the land
16 taken into trust under paragraph (1)(B).

17 (5) LAND EXCHANGE.—Not later than 3 years
18 after the date of enactment of this Act, the Sec-
19 retary shall seek to enter into an agreement with the
20 State under which the Secretary would exchange
21 Federal land for the portions of the area described
22 in paragraph (2)(B) that are owned by the State.

23 (b) CASTLE ROCK LAND TO BE HELD IN TRUST
24 AND CO-STEWARDSHIP AREA.—

25 (1) LAND TO BE HELD IN TRUST.—

1 (A) IN GENERAL.—All right, title, and in-
2 terest of the United States in and to the ap-
3 proximately 2,500 acres of land in the Castle
4 Rock Wilderness Study Area, as depicted on the
5 map entitled “Proposed Wilderness Malheur
6 County” and dated June 7, 2023, shall be held
7 in trust by the United States for the benefit of
8 the Burns Paiute Tribe.

9 (B) GRAZING ON LAND TO BE HELD IN
10 TRUST.—

11 (i) IN GENERAL.—The Director of the
12 Bureau shall continue to allow and manage
13 grazing within the land to be held in trust
14 under subparagraph (A) (referred to in
15 this subparagraph as “Trust Land”) under
16 applicable law.

17 (ii) CANCELLATION OF GRAZING.—If
18 the Burns Paiute Tribe decides, in its sole
19 discretion, to cancel grazing within the
20 Trust Land, then—

21 (I) the Tribe shall give the Bu-
22 reau notice of cancellation of Per-
23 mitted Use Animal Unit Months with-
24 in the Trust Land;

1 (II) upon receipt of the notice
2 from the Tribe, the Bureau shall con-
3 form to the requirements in section
4 4110.4–2 of title 43, Code of Federal
5 Regulations (as in effect on October
6 1, 2005), to cancel any Permitted Use
7 Animal Unit Months within the Trust
8 Land, except that, in addition to pay-
9 ment to a permittee for the reasonable
10 compensation for the value of any
11 public land range improvements with-
12 in the Trust Land as provided for in
13 section 4110.4–2(b) of title 43, Code
14 of Federal Regulations (as in effect on
15 October 1, 2005), each such permittee
16 shall also be paid by the Tribe, at the
17 sole expense of the Tribe, an amount
18 equal to the market value, as of the
19 date of cancellation, of each cancelled
20 Permitted Use Animal Unit Month
21 applicable to such permittee; and

22 (III) upon the effectiveness of the
23 cancellation of grazing within the
24 Trust Land, the Tribe shall fence out,
25 at the sole expense of the Tribe, and

1 maintain the fence, at the sole ex-
2 pense of the Tribe, the Trust Land
3 from adjacent lands to ensure no drift
4 of livestock occurs from the adjacent
5 lands. If the Tribe does not timely
6 fence out the Trust Land or fails to
7 maintain the fence, a permittee au-
8 thorized to graze on the adjacent
9 lands may not be subject to liability
10 for any unauthorized use of the Trust
11 Land resulting from a drift of live-
12 stock from adjacent lands onto the
13 Trust Land.

14 (2) CASTLE ROCK CO-STEWARDSHIP AREA.—

15 (A) MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING.—

16 (i) IN GENERAL.—As soon as prac-
17 ticable after the date of enactment of this
18 Act, the Secretary shall seek to enter into
19 a memorandum of understanding with the
20 Burns Paiute Tribe to provide for the co-
21 stewardship of the area depicted as “Castle
22 Rock Co-Stewardship Area” on the map
23 entitled “Proposed Wilderness Malheur
24 County” and dated June 7, 2023, to be

1 known as the “Castle Rock Co-Steward-
2 ship Area”.

3 (ii) REQUIREMENT.—The memo-
4 randum of understanding entered into
5 under clause (i) shall ensure that the Cas-
6 tle Rock Co-Stewardship Area is managed
7 in a manner that—

8 (I) ensures that Tribal interests
9 therein are considered;

10 (II) provides for protection of
11 cultural and archaeological resources;
12 located thereon;

13 (III) provides for the protection
14 of natural resources with cultural sig-
15 nificance located thereon;

16 (IV) protects the interests of
17 those who hold livestock grazing per-
18 mits on this land and maintain such
19 grazing entitlements in accordance
20 with applicable law, inclusive of the
21 Taylor Grazing Act (43 U.S.C. 315 et
22 seq.); and

23 (V) does not extend beyond the
24 boundaries of the co-stewardship area.

1 (B) MANAGEMENT AGREEMENTS.—In ac-
2 cordance with applicable law (including regula-
3 tions) and subject to existing or extended live-
4 stock grazing permits, the Secretary may enter
5 into 1 or more management agreements with
6 the Burns Paiute Tribe to authorize the Burns
7 Paiute Tribe to carry out management activities
8 in the Castle Rock Co-Stewardship Area in ac-
9 cordance with the memorandum of under-
10 standing entered into under subparagraph
11 (A)(i).

12 (C) GRAZING.—The management and
13 grazing of livestock in the Castle Rock Co-Stew-
14 ardsip Area, as established before the date of
15 enactment of this Act, shall be permitted to
16 continue and shall not be limited or abridged by
17 activities set forth in subparagraphs (A) and
18 (B).

19 (D) WATER RIGHTS.—Nothing in this
20 paragraph—

21 (i) expands, creates, or affects any re-
22 served, or otherwise existing water rights;
23 or

24 (ii) provides the Burns Paiute Tribe
25 with any new water right or claim.

1 (E) CO-MANAGEMENT ACTIVITIES.—Noth-
2 ing in this paragraph shall be construed to
3 allow co-management activities to extend be-
4 yond the areas designated as the Castle Rock
5 Co-Stewardship Area.

6 (F) LAND EXCHANGE ACTIVITIES.—Any
7 private land within the Castle Rock Co-Stew-
8 ardship Area, inclusive of the private land in
9 T18S R37E section 4, NENW and NESE,
10 shall be subject to a land exchange with any
11 private landowner who desires and elects to co-
12 operate in a land exchange with the Bureau.
13 Any public land offered in exchange with the
14 private land shall be adjacent to any other pri-
15 vate land owned by the cooperating private
16 landowner within the County, and shall be
17 agreeable to the cooperating private landowner.
18 The Secretary shall coordinate with any cooper-
19 ating private landowner to implement and to
20 complete any such exchange within 24-months
21 of initiation of such process by a private land-
22 owner. The Secretary shall prepare any docu-
23 ments necessary to implement any such ex-
24 change and the Secretary shall pay for all costs
25 to implement any such exchange.

1 (3) WITHDRAWAL.—Subject to valid existing
2 rights, the lands taken into trust under paragraph
3 (1) and the land comprising the Castle Rock Co-
4 Stewardship Area are withdrawn from—

5 (A) all forms of appropriation, and dis-
6 posals under the public land laws;

7 (B) location, entry, and patent under the
8 mining laws; and

9 (C) operation of the mineral leasing and
10 geothermal leasing laws and mineral materials
11 laws.

12 (c) VIEWSHED RIGHTS.—Nothing in this Act pro-
13 vides any rights of property to the Burns-Paiute Tribe
14 outside of the boundaries of the lands taken into trust
15 under subsection (b)(1).

16 (d) EFFECT ON TRIBAL RIGHTS AND CERTAIN EX-
17 ISTING USES.—Nothing in this section, designation or
18 non-designation of land transferred into trust to be held
19 by the United States for the benefit of the Burns Paiute
20 Tribe under this section—

21 (1) alters, modifies, enlarges, diminishes, or ab-
22 rogates rights secured by a treaty, statute, Executive
23 order, or other Federal law of any Indian Tribe, in-
24 cluding off-reservation reserved rights; or

25 (2) affects—

1 (A) existing access, rights-of-way, or ease-
 2 ments; or

3 (B) preexisting grazing uses and existing
 4 water rights or mining claims, except as specifi-
 5 cally negotiated and agreed between the Burns
 6 Paiute Tribe, the mineral claim holder, the
 7 grazing permittee and the Secretary.

8 **SEC. 7. FUTURE PROTECTION OF FIRE SUPPRESSION,**
 9 **INVASIVE SPECIES CONTROL, AND LIVE-**
 10 **STOCK PRODUCTION VALUES ON FEDERAL**
 11 **LAND IN COUNTY.**

12 (a) FINDINGS.—Congress finds that the protection
 13 against wildfire and invasive species and the protection of
 14 livestock production are essential, important, proper, and
 15 compatible activities and uses of—

16 (1) the Federal land designated as wilderness
 17 under section 4(c)(1);

18 (2) the Federal land designated as a special
 19 management area under section 4(b); and

20 (3) the Federal land not designated as wilder-
 21 ness or as a special management area in section 4.

22 (b) FUTURE PROTECTION.—The Secretary may take
 23 all and any actions, including the use of motorized vehi-
 24 cles, helicopters, or airplanes, needed to control wildfire
 25 and to control and eradicate invasive species on the Fed-

1 eral land described in paragraphs (1) through (3) of sub-
2 section (a).

3 (c) MANAGEMENT OF LIVESTOCK ON WILDERNESS
4 AND SPECIAL MANAGEMENT AREA FEDERAL LAND.—
5 The Secretary may authorize the management of livestock
6 on the Federal land designated as wilderness under section
7 4(c)(1) or as a special management area under section
8 4(b).

9 (d) MANAGEMENT OF LIVESTOCK ON OTHER FED-
10 ERAL LAND.—

11 (1) PRODUCTION VALUE.—The Secretary may
12 not abridge, prohibit, restrict, or terminate grazing
13 authorizations existing as of the date of enactment
14 of this Act on any of the Federal land that is not
15 designated as wilderness under section 4(c)(1) or as
16 a special management area under section 4(b).

17 (2) GRAZING.—Grazing on Federal land that is
18 not designated as wilderness under section 4(c)(1) or
19 as a special management area under section 4(b)
20 and any activities the Secretary reasonably deter-
21 mines necessary to carry out proper and practical
22 grazing management programs on such land (such
23 as public land range improvement activities and
24 wildfire control, suppression, and rehabilitation ac-
25 tivities) shall be managed and carried out in accord-

1 ance with the Act of June 28, 1934 (commonly
2 known as the “Taylor Grazing Act”) (48 Stat. 1269,
3 chapter 865; 43 U.S.C. 315 et seq.), section 402 of
4 the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of
5 1976 (43 U.S.C. 1752), and all other laws applicable
6 to grazing on such land.

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