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S. 2735

To take certain Federal land in the State of California into trust for the benefit of the Shingle Springs Band of Miwok Indians, and for other purposes.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

SEPTEMBER 8, 2025

Mr. PADILLA (for himself and Mr. SCHIFF) introduced the following bill;
which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Indian Affairs

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 “Shingle Springs Band
5 of Miwok Indians Land Transfer Act of 2025”.

6 **SEC. 2. REVOCATION OF PUBLIC LAND ORDER; LANDS TO**
7 **BE TAKEN INTO TRUST.**

8 (a) REVOCATION OF PUBLIC LAND ORDER.—Not-
9 withstanding any other provision of law—

1 (1) Public Land Order 3309 (Sacramento
2 071209), dated January 17, 1964 (29 Fed. Reg.
3 609), is revoked; and

4 (2) Jurisdiction over the land described in the
5 public land order referred to in paragraph (1) is
6 transferred to the Secretary.

7 (b) TRUST TRANSFER.—Not later than 180 days
8 after the date of the enactment of this Act, subject to valid
9 existing rights, the Secretary shall place the following land
10 into trust for the benefit of the Tribe:

11 (1) The approximately 80 acres of land gen-
12 erally depicted as “BLM Land–Proposed Transfer
13 into Trust” on the Map.

14 (2) The approximately 185 acres of land gen-
15 erally depicted as “Indian Creek Ranch–Proposed
16 Transfer into Trust Land Status” on the Map.

17 (c) REVIEW; SURVEY.—

18 (1) REVIEW.—Before the deadline described in
19 subsection (b), the Secretary shall conduct a review
20 of the land described in that subsection to determine
21 if a survey of the land is required.

22 (2) SURVEY.—

23 (A) IN GENERAL.—If the Secretary deter-
24 mines that a survey is required under para-

1 graph (1) after conducting the review required
2 under that paragraph, the Secretary—

3 (i) shall perform a survey of the land
4 taken into trust under subsection (b); and

5 (ii) may make minor corrections to
6 the survey and legal land description of the
7 land described in that subsection as the
8 Secretary determines to be necessary to
9 correct clerical, typographical, and sur-
10 veying errors.

11 (B) AVAILABILITY.—A survey conducted
12 under subparagraph (A) shall be kept on file
13 and available for public inspection in the appro-
14 priate office of the Bureau of Indian Affairs.

15 (d) LANDS PART OF RESERVATION; ADMINISTRA-
16 TION.—The land taken into trust under subsection (b)—

17 (1) is hereby declared to be part of the Reserva-
18 tion; and

19 (2) shall be administered by the Secretary in
20 accordance with the laws and regulations generally
21 applicable to property held in trust by the United
22 States for an Indian Tribe.

23 (e) GAMING PROHIBITED.—Land taken into trust
24 under subsection (b) shall not be used for any class II
25 gaming or class III gaming under the Indian Gaming Reg-

1 ulatory Act (25 U.S.C. 2701 et seq.) (as those terms are
2 defined in section 4 of that Act (25 U.S.C. 2703)).

3 (f) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

4 (1) MAP.—The term “Map” means the map
5 prepared by the Bureau of Land Management titled
6 “Proposed Bureau of Land Management Land
7 Transfer to Shingle Springs Rancheria” and dated
8 May 2, 2025.

9 (2) RESERVATION.—The term “Reservation”
10 means the reservation of the Tribe.

11 (3) SECRETARY.—The term “Secretary” means
12 the Secretary of the Interior.

13 (4) TRIBE.—The term “Tribe” means the Shin-
14 gle Springs Band of Miwok Indians, Shingle Springs
15 Rancheria (Verona Tract), California.

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