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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.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

Mrs. FEINSTEIN (for herself and Mrs. BOXER) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on

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 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 “(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 ignated by section 1501 shall be conducted
14 based on the status of the area before des-
15 ignation 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(e);

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 contigu-
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) 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 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 “(c) 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 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.