



TITLE III: CENTRAL COAST HERITAGE PROTECTION ACT (H.R. 2199 - CARBAJAL)

Supports the Central Coast's Tourism Economy While Protecting Unique Ecosystems and Access to Clean Water

Summary of the Central Coast Heritage Protection Act

The Central Coast Heritage Protection Act would designate approximately 287,500 acres of public land in the Carrizo Plain National Monument and the Los Padres National Forest as components of the National Wilderness Preservation System. The creation of two potential wilderness areas will allow for the remediation of non-conforming uses, and two scenic areas will preserve Central Coast vistas. The title also protects 230.8 river miles of clean, free-flowing water under the National Wild and Scenic Rivers System. Local recreation economies would also benefit from the designation of the approximately 400-mile Condor National Scenic Trail in Central California, as well as efforts to expand mountain biking and off-highway vehicle access. A special provision is included to guarantee tribal access to wilderness areas for cultural and religious purposes.

Title III would:

- Designate approximately 287,500 acres of new, expanded, or potential wilderness areas.
- Designate approximately 34,882 acres of public land as scenic areas.
- Add approximately 230.8 river miles to the National Wild and Scenic Rivers System.
- Create a thru-hiking experience along the 400-mile Condor National Scenic Trail to connect the wilderness areas in the northern and southern portions of the Los Padres National Forest.
- Study new opportunities for thru-hiking, mountain biking, and off-highway vehicle use.

List of Supporters and Endorsing Organizations

House Cosponsors (46) including: Rep. Costa (CA-16), Rep. Lowenthal (CA-47), Rep. Huffman (CA-02), Rep. Cox (CA-21), Rep. Napolitano (CA-32), Rep. Levin (CA-49), Rep. Cardenas (CA-29), Rep. Panetta (CA-20), Rep. Brownley (CA-26), Rep. Speier (CA-14), Rep. Lee (CA-13), Rep. Garamendi (CA-03), Rep. Schiff (CA-28), Rep. Eshoo (CA-18), Rep. DeSaulnier (CA-11), Rep. Porter (CA-45), Rep. McNerney (CA-09), Rep. Takano (CA-41), Rep. Sherman (CA-30), Rep. Davis (CA-53), Rep. Barragan (CA-44), Rep. Lieu (CA-33), Rep. Peters (CA-52), Rep. Lofgren (CA-19), Rep. Thompson (CA-05), Rep. Roybal-Allard (CA-40), Rep. Matsui (CA-06), and Rep. Sanchez (CA-38).

Local Governments and Elected Officials (58) including: San Luis Obispo County Board of Supervisors; Santa Barbara County Board of Supervisors; Ventura County Board of Supervisors; Northern Chumash Tribal Council; City of Goleta; City of Oxnard; City of San Luis Obispo; City of Santa Barbara; California State Assemblyman Anthony Rendon; the Ojai Valley Chamber of Commerce; and California State Senator Hannah-Beth Jackson.

Environmental and Outdoor Recreation Organizations (101) including: American Woodland Conservancy; California Wilderness Coalition; California Native Plant Society; Central Coast Grown; Conservation Alliance; Energy Conservation Consultants; Pew Charitable Trusts; Outside Now; Santa Barbara Flyfishers; The Wilderness Society; The Ocean Conservancy; Trout Unlimited; Trust for Public Land; Ventura County Resource Conservation District; California Department of Parks & Recreation; and the Wild and Scenic Rivers Coalition.

Links

- A Full List of Supporting and Endorsing Organizations Can Be Found [Here](#).
- [Press Release:](#) Carabajal and Harris Introduce Bicameral Legislation to Protect California's Public Lands