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To provide for restoration, economic development, recreation, and conservation  
on Federal lands in Northern California, and for other purposes.

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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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

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**A BILL**

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

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

4       (a) SHORT TITLE.—This Act may be cited as the  
5       “Northwest California Wilderness, Recreation, and Work-  
6       ing Forests Act”.

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

- Sec. 1. Short title; table of contents.  
Sec. 2. Definitions.

#### TITLE I—FOREST RESTORATION

- Sec. 111. South Fork Trinity-Mad River Restoration Area.  
Sec. 112. California Public Land Remediation Partnership.  
Sec. 113. Land and resource management plans.  
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#### TITLE III—CONSERVATION

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Sec. 143. Pacific Gas and Electric Company utility facilities and rights-of-way.  
Sec. 144. Release of wilderness study area.  
Sec. 145. Use by members of Indian Tribes.

### 1 **SEC. 2. DEFINITIONS.**

2 In this Act:

3 (1) SECRETARY.—Unless otherwise defined in a  
4 section, the term “Secretary” means—

5 (A) with respect to land under the jurisdic-  
6 tion of the Secretary of Agriculture, the Sec-  
7 retary of Agriculture; and

1 (B) with respect to land under the jurisdic-  
2 tion of the Secretary of the Interior, the Sec-  
3 retary of the Interior.

4 (2) STATE.—The term “State” means the State  
5 of California.

## 6 **TITLE I—FOREST RESTORATION**

### 7 **SEC. 111. SOUTH FORK TRINITY-MAD RIVER RESTORATION** 8 **AREA.**

9 (a) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

10 (1) ECOLOGICAL INTEGRITY.—The term “eco-  
11 logical integrity” has the meaning given the term in  
12 section 219.19 of title 36, Code of Federal Regula-  
13 tions (as in effect on the date of enactment of this  
14 Act).

15 (2) RESTORATION.—The term “restoration”  
16 has the meaning given the term in section 219.19 of  
17 title 36, Code of Federal Regulations (as in effect on  
18 the date of enactment of this Act).

19 (3) RESTORATION AREA.—The term “restora-  
20 tion area” means the South Fork Trinity-Mad River  
21 Restoration Area established by subsection (b).

22 (4) SHADED FUEL BREAK.—The term “shaded  
23 fuel break” means a vegetation treatment that—

1 (A) reduces fuel characteristics in order to  
2 affect fire behavior such that a fire can be more  
3 readily controlled; and

4 (B) retains, to the maximum extent prac-  
5 ticable—

6 (i) adequate canopy cover to suppress  
7 plant regrowth in the forest understory fol-  
8 lowing treatment; and

9 (ii) the largest and most vigorous  
10 trees in order to provide the most shade  
11 per tree over the longest period of time.

12 (b) ESTABLISHMENT.—Subject to valid existing  
13 rights, there is established the South Fork Trinity-Mad  
14 River Restoration Area, comprising approximately  
15 871,414 acres of Federal land administered by the Forest  
16 Service and the Bureau of Land Management, as gen-  
17 erally depicted on the map titled “South Fork Trinity-Mad  
18 River Restoration Area” and dated May 15, 2020.

19 (c) PURPOSES.—The purposes of the restoration area  
20 are—

21 (1) to establish, restore, and maintain fire-resil-  
22 ient mature and late successional forests, as eco-  
23 logically appropriate;

24 (2) to protect and restore aquatic habitat and  
25 anadromous fisheries;

1 (3) to protect the quality of water;

2 (4) to reduce the threat posed by wildfires to  
3 neighboring communities; and

4 (5) to allow visitors to enjoy the scenic, rec-  
5 reational, natural, cultural, and wildlife values of the  
6 restoration area.

7 (d) COLLABORATIVE RESTORATION AND FIRE MAN-  
8 AGEMENT PLANS.—Not later than 2 years after the date  
9 of enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Agriculture and  
10 the Secretary of the Interior shall jointly submit to Con-  
11 gress—

12 (1) a plan to conduct restoration activities and  
13 improve the ecological integrity of the restoration  
14 area; and

15 (2) an updated fire management plan for the  
16 land that includes the restoration area.

17 (e) COLLABORATION REQUIREMENT.—In developing  
18 the plans required under subsection (d), the Secretary  
19 shall solicit input from a collaborative group that—

20 (1) includes—

21 (A) appropriate representatives of State  
22 and local governments; and

23 (B) multiple interested persons rep-  
24 resenting diverse interests; and

25 (2) is transparent and inclusive.

1 (f) FIRE MANAGEMENT PLAN COMPONENTS.—The  
2 updated fire management plan required under subsection  
3 (d)(2) shall, to the maximum extent practicable, include—

- 4 (1) the use of prescribed fire; and  
5 (2) the use of shaded fuel breaks.

6 (g) MANAGEMENT.—

7 (1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary shall conduct  
8 restoration activities in a manner consistent with the  
9 plans required under subsection (d).

10 (2) CONFLICT OF LAWS.—

11 (A) IN GENERAL.—The establishment of  
12 the restoration area shall not modify the man-  
13 agement status of any land or water that is  
14 designated as a component of the National Wil-  
15 derness Preservation System or the National  
16 Wild and Scenic Rivers System, including land  
17 or water designated as a component of the Na-  
18 tional Wilderness Preservation System or the  
19 National Wild and Scenic Rivers System by this  
20 Act (including any amendments made by this  
21 Act).

22 (B) RESOLUTION OF CONFLICT.—If there  
23 is a conflict between a law applicable to a com-  
24 ponent described in subparagraph (A) and this

1 section, the more restrictive provision shall con-  
2 trol.

3 (h) WITHDRAWAL.—Subject to valid existing rights,  
4 the restoration area is withdrawn from—

5 (1) all forms of entry, appropriation, and dis-  
6 posal under the public land laws;

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

9 (3) disposition under laws relating to mineral  
10 and geothermal leasing or mineral materials.

11 **SEC. 112. CALIFORNIA PUBLIC LAND REMEDIATION PART-**  
12 **nership.**

13 (a) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

14 (1) PARTNERSHIP.—The term “partnership”  
15 means the California Public Land Remediation Part-  
16 nership established by subsection (b).

17 (2) PRIORITY LAND.—The term “priority land”  
18 means Federal land in the State that is determined  
19 by the partnership to be a high priority for remedi-  
20 ation.

21 (3) REMEDIATION.—

22 (A) IN GENERAL.—The term “remedi-  
23 ation” means the facilitation of the recovery of  
24 land or water that has been degraded, dam-

1           aged, or destroyed by illegal marijuana cultiva-  
2           tion or another illegal activity.

3           (B) INCLUSIONS.—The term “remedi-  
4           ation” includes—

5                 (i) the removal of trash, debris, or  
6                 other material; and

7                 (ii) establishing the composition,  
8                 structure, pattern, and ecological processes  
9                 necessary to facilitate terrestrial or aquatic  
10                ecosystem sustainability, resilience, or  
11                health under current and future conditions.

12       (b) ESTABLISHMENT.—There is established the Cali-  
13       fornia Public Land Remediation Partnership.

14       (c) PURPOSES.—The purposes of the partnership are  
15       to support coordination of activities among Federal, State,  
16       Tribal, and local authorities and the private sector in the  
17       remediation of priority land.

18       (d) MEMBERSHIP.—The members of the partnership  
19       shall include the following:

20               (1) The Secretary of Agriculture (or a designee)  
21       to represent the Forest Service.

22               (2) The Secretary of the Interior (or a des-  
23       ignee) to represent—

24               (A) the United States Fish and Wildlife  
25       Service;



1 (B) the Bureau of Land Management; and

2 (C) the National Park Service.

3 (3) The Director of the Office of National Drug  
4 Control Policy (or a designee).

5 (4) The Secretary of the State Natural Re-  
6 sources Agency (or a designee) to represent the Cali-  
7 fornia Department of Fish and Wildlife.

8 (5) A designee of the California State Water  
9 Resources Control Board.

10 (6) A designee of the California State Sheriffs'  
11 Association.

12 (7) 1 member to represent federally recognized  
13 Indian Tribes, to be appointed by the Secretary of  
14 Agriculture.

15 (8) 1 member to represent nongovernmental or-  
16 ganizations with an interest in Federal land remedi-  
17 ation, to be appointed by the Secretary of Agri-  
18 culture.

19 (9) 1 member to represent local governmental  
20 interests, to be appointed by the Secretary of Agri-  
21 culture.

22 (10) A law enforcement official from each of—

23 (A) the Department of the Interior; and

24 (B) the Department of Agriculture.

1           (11) A subject matter expert to provide exper-  
2       tise and advice on methods needed for remediation,  
3       to be appointed by the Secretary of Agriculture.

4           (12) A designee of the National Guard  
5       Counterdrug Program.

6           (13) Any other members that are determined to  
7       be appropriate by the partnership.

8       (e) DUTIES.—To further the purposes described in  
9       this section and subject to subsection (f), the partnership  
10      shall—

11           (1) identify priority land for remediation in the  
12      State;

13           (2) secure voluntary contributions of resources  
14      from Federal sources and non-Federal sources for  
15      the remediation of priority land;

16           (3) support efforts by Federal, State, Tribal,  
17      and local agencies and nongovernmental organiza-  
18      tions in carrying out remediation of priority land;

19           (4) support research and education on the im-  
20      pacts of, and solutions to, illegal marijuana cultiva-  
21      tion and other illegal activities on priority land;

22           (5) involve other Federal, State, Tribal, and  
23      local agencies, nongovernmental organizations, and  
24      the public in remediation of priority land, to the  
25      maximum extent practicable; and

1           (6) carry out any other administrative or advisory activities necessary to address remediation of  
2           priority land.

3           (f) LIMITATION.—Nothing in this section shall be  
4           construed as limiting the authorities of the Federal, State,  
5           Tribal, and local entities that comprise the partnership.

6           (g) AUTHORITIES.—Subject to the prior approval of  
7           the Secretary of Agriculture, consistent with applicable  
8           law (including regulations), the partnership may—

9           (1) provide grants to the State, political subdivisions of the State, nonprofit organizations, and  
10           other persons;

11           (2) enter into cooperative agreements with, or  
12           provide technical assistance to, Federal agencies, the  
13           State, political subdivisions of the State, nonprofit  
14           organizations, and other interested persons;

15           (3) identify opportunities for collaborative efforts among members of the partnership;

16           (4) hire and compensate staff;

17           (5) obtain funds or services from any source,  
18           including—

19           (A) Federal funds (including funds and  
20           services provided under any other Federal law  
21           or program); and

22           (B) non-Federal funds;

1 (6) coordinate to identify sources of funding or  
2 services that may be available for remediation;

3 (7) seek funds or services from any source, in-  
4 cluding—

5 (A) Federal funds (including funds and  
6 services provided under any other Federal law  
7 or program); and

8 (B) non-Federal funds; and

9 (8) support—

10 (A) activities of partners; and

11 (B) any other activities that further the  
12 purposes of this section.

13 (h) PROCEDURES.—The partnership shall establish  
14 such internal procedures for the partnership as the part-  
15 nership determines to be necessary or appropriate for the  
16 administration of the partnership.

17 (i) LOCAL HIRING.—The partnership shall, to the  
18 maximum extent practicable and in accordance with exist-  
19 ing law, give preference to local entities and individuals  
20 in carrying out this section.

21 (j) SERVICE WITHOUT COMPENSATION.—A member  
22 of the partnership shall serve without pay.

23 (k) DUTIES AND AUTHORITIES OF THE SECRE-  
24 TARIES.—

1           (1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Agriculture  
2       shall convene the partnership on a regular basis to  
3       carry out this section.

4           (2) TECHNICAL AND FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE.—  
5       The Secretary of Agriculture and the Secretary of  
6       the Interior may each provide technical and financial  
7       assistance, on a reimbursable or nonreimbursable  
8       basis, as determined to be appropriate by the Sec-  
9       retary of Agriculture or the Secretary of the Inte-  
10      rior, as applicable, to the partnership or any mem-  
11      bers of the partnership to carry out this section.

12          (3) COOPERATIVE AGREEMENTS.—The Sec-  
13      retary of Agriculture and the Secretary of the Inte-  
14      rior may each enter into cooperative agreements  
15      with the partnership, any member of the partner-  
16      ship, or other public or private entities to provide  
17      technical, financial, or other assistance to carry out  
18      this section.

19   **SEC. 113. LAND AND RESOURCE MANAGEMENT PLANS.**

20       In revising a land and resource management plan ap-  
21      plicable to the Shasta-Trinity National Forest or the Six  
22      Rivers National Forest, the Secretary of Agriculture shall  
23      consider the purposes of the South Fork Trinity-Mad  
24      River Restoration Area established by section 111(b).

1 **SEC. 114. ANNUAL FIRE MANAGEMENT PLANS.**

2 In revising a fire management plan for a wilderness  
3 area or wilderness addition designated by section 131(a),  
4 the Secretary shall—

5 (1) develop spatial fire management plans in  
6 accordance with—

7 (A) the Guidance for Implementation of  
8 Federal Wildland Fire Management Policy,  
9 dated February 13, 2009 (or any amended, up-  
10 dated, or successor guidance); and

11 (B) other appropriate policies;

12 (2) consider how prescribed or managed fire  
13 can be used to achieve ecological management objec-  
14 tives of wilderness and other natural or primitive  
15 areas;

16 (3) ensure that each such fire management plan  
17 applicable to a wilderness area to which land is  
18 added under section 131 provides consistent direc-  
19 tion regarding fire management to the entire wilder-  
20 ness area, including the wilderness addition;

21 (4) consult with—

22 (A) appropriate State, Tribal, and local  
23 governmental entities; and

24 (B) members of the public; and

25 (5) comply with applicable law (including regu-  
26 lations).

1                   **TITLE II—RECREATION**

2   **SEC. 121. BIGFOOT NATIONAL RECREATION TRAIL.**

3           (a) FEASIBILITY STUDY.—

4               (1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 3 years after  
5           the date on which funds are made available to carry  
6           out this section, the Secretary of Agriculture (re-  
7           ferred to in this section as the “Secretary”), in co-  
8           operation with the Secretary of the Interior, shall  
9           prepare and submit to the Committee on Energy  
10          and Natural Resources of the Senate and the Com-  
11          mittee on Natural Resources of the House of Rep-  
12          resentatives a study that describes the feasibility of  
13          establishing a national recreational trail for non-  
14          motorized uses, to be known as “Bigfoot National  
15          Recreation Trail”, that follows the route described in  
16          paragraph (2).

17               (2) ROUTE.—The route referred to in para-  
18          graph (1) shall extend from the Ides Cove Trailhead  
19          in the Mendocino National Forest to Crescent City,  
20          California, following the route as generally depicted  
21          on the map titled “Bigfoot National Recreation  
22          Trail—Proposed” and dated July 25, 2018.

23               (3) ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENT.—In com-  
24          pleting the study required under paragraph (1), the  
25          Secretary shall consult with—

1 (A) appropriate Federal, State, Tribal, re-  
2 gional, and local agencies;

3 (B) private landowners of land adjacent to,  
4 or in the vicinity of, the route described in  
5 paragraph (2);

6 (C) nongovernmental organizations; and

7 (D) interested members of the public.

8 (b) DESIGNATION.—

9 (1) IN GENERAL.—On completion of the study  
10 under subsection (a), if the Secretary determines  
11 that the Bigfoot National Recreation Trail is fea-  
12 sible and meets the requirements for a National  
13 Recreation Trail under section 4 of the National  
14 Trails System Act (16 U.S.C. 1243), the Secretary  
15 shall designate the Bigfoot National Recreation  
16 Trail (referred to in this section as the “Trail”) in  
17 accordance with—

18 (A) the National Trails System Act (16  
19 U.S.C. 1241 et seq.);

20 (B) this Act; and

21 (C) other applicable law (including regula-  
22 tions).

23 (2) ADMINISTRATION.—On designation by the  
24 Secretary, the Trail shall be administered by the  
25 Secretary, in consultation with—



1 (A) other Federal, State, Tribal, regional,  
2 and local agencies;

3 (B) private landowners; and

4 (C) other interested organizations.

5 (3) PRIVATE PROPERTY RIGHTS.—

6 (A) IN GENERAL.—No portions of the  
7 Trail may be located on non-Federal land with-  
8 out the written consent of the landowner.

9 (B) PROHIBITION.—The Secretary shall  
10 not acquire for the Trail any land or interest in  
11 land outside the exterior boundary of any feder-  
12 ally managed area without the consent of the  
13 owner of the land or interest in the land.

14 (C) EFFECT.—Nothing in this section—

15 (i) requires any private property  
16 owner to allow public access (including  
17 Federal, State, or local government access)  
18 to private property; or

19 (ii) modifies any provision of Federal,  
20 State, or local law with respect to public  
21 access to or use of private land.

22 (c) COOPERATIVE AGREEMENTS.—In carrying out  
23 this section, the Secretary may enter into cooperative  
24 agreements with State, Tribal, and local government enti-  
25 ties and private entities—

1 (1) to complete necessary Trail construction, re-  
2 construction, realignment, or maintenance; or

3 (2) to carry out education projects relating to  
4 the Trail.

5 (d) MAP.—

6 (1) MAP REQUIRED.—On designation of the  
7 Trail, the Secretary shall prepare a map of the  
8 Trail.

9 (2) PUBLIC AVAILABILITY.—The map referred  
10 to in paragraph (1) shall be on file and available for  
11 public inspection in the appropriate offices of the  
12 Forest Service.

13 **SEC. 122. ELK CAMP RIDGE RECREATION TRAIL.**

14 (a) DESIGNATION.—

15 (1) IN GENERAL.—In accordance with para-  
16 graph (2), the Secretary of Agriculture (referred to  
17 in this section as the “Secretary”), after providing  
18 an opportunity for public comment, shall designate  
19 a trail (which may include a system of trails)—

20 (A) for use by off-highway vehicles, moun-  
21 tain bicycles, or both; and

22 (B) to be known as the “Elk Camp Ridge  
23 Recreation Trail” (referred to in this section as  
24 the “Trail”).

1           (2) REQUIREMENTS.—In designating the Trail  
2       under paragraph (1), the Secretary shall only in-  
3       clude routes that are—

4           (A) as of the date of enactment of this  
5       Act, authorized for use by off-highway vehicles,  
6       mountain bicycles, or both; and

7           (B) located on land that is managed by the  
8       Forest Service in Del Norte County in the  
9       State.

10       (3) MAP.—A map that depicts the Trail shall  
11       be on file and available for public inspection in the  
12       appropriate offices of the Forest Service.

13       (b) MANAGEMENT.—

14           (1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary shall manage  
15       the Trail—

16           (A) in accordance with applicable law (in-  
17       cluding regulations);

18           (B) in a manner that ensures the safety of  
19       citizens who use the Trail; and

20           (C) in a manner that minimizes any dam-  
21       age to sensitive habitat or cultural resources.

22       (2) MONITORING; EVALUATION.—To minimize  
23       the impacts of the use of the Trail on environmental  
24       and cultural resources, the Secretary shall annually

1 assess the effects of the use of off-highway vehicles  
2 and mountain bicycles on—

3 (A) the Trail;

4 (B) land located in proximity to the Trail;

5 and

6 (C) plants, wildlife, and wildlife habitat.

7 (3) CLOSURE.—The Secretary, in consultation  
8 with the State and Del Norte County in the State  
9 and subject to paragraph (4), may temporarily close,  
10 temporarily reroute, or permanently reroute a por-  
11 tion of the Trail if the Secretary determines that—

12 (A) the Trail is having an adverse impact  
13 on—

14 (i) wildlife habitat;

15 (ii) natural resources;

16 (iii) cultural resources; or

17 (iv) traditional uses;

18 (B) the Trail threatens public safety; or

19 (C) closure of the Trail is necessary—

20 (i) to repair damage to the Trail; or

21 (ii) to repair resource damage.

22 (4) REROUTING.—Any portion of the Trail that  
23 is temporarily closed by the Secretary under para-  
24 graph (3) may be permanently rerouted along any  
25 road or trail—

1 (A) that is—

2 (i) in existence as of the date of the  
3 closure of the portion of the Trail;

4 (ii) located on public land; and

5 (iii) open to motorized or mechanized  
6 use; and

7 (B) if the Secretary determines that re-  
8 routing the portion of the Trail would not sig-  
9 nificantly increase or decrease the length of the  
10 Trail.

11 (5) NOTICE OF AVAILABLE ROUTES.—The Sec-  
12 retary shall ensure that visitors to the Trail have ac-  
13 cess to adequate notice relating to the availability of  
14 trail routes through—

15 (A) the placement of appropriate signage  
16 along the Trail; and

17 (B) the distribution of maps, safety edu-  
18 cation materials, and other information that the  
19 Secretary determines to be appropriate.

20 (c) EFFECT.—Nothing in this section affects the  
21 ownership, management, or other rights relating to any  
22 non-Federal land (including any interest in non-Federal  
23 land).

24 **SEC. 123. TRINITY LAKE TRAIL.**

25 (a) TRAIL CONSTRUCTION.—

1           (1) FEASIBILITY STUDY.—Not later than 3  
2       years after the date of enactment of this Act, the  
3       Secretary of Agriculture shall study the suitability  
4       and feasibility of constructing a recreational trail for  
5       nonmotorized uses around Trinity Lake (referred to  
6       in this section as the “Trail”).

7           (2) CONSTRUCTION.—

8           (A) CONSTRUCTION AUTHORIZED.—Sub-  
9       ject to appropriations and in accordance with  
10      paragraph (3), if the Secretary determines  
11      under paragraph (1) that the construction of  
12      the Trail is suitable and feasible, the Secretary  
13      may provide for the construction of the Trail.

14          (B) USE OF VOLUNTEER SERVICES AND  
15      CONTRIBUTIONS.—The Trail may be con-  
16      structed under this section through the accept-  
17      ance of volunteer services and contributions  
18      from non-Federal sources to reduce or eliminate  
19      the need for Federal expenditures to construct  
20      the Trail.

21          (3) COMPLIANCE.—In carrying out this section,  
22      the Secretary shall comply with—

23           (A) the laws (including regulations) gen-  
24      erally applicable to the National Forest System;  
25      and

1 (B) this Act.

2 (b) EFFECT.—Nothing in this section affects the  
3 ownership, management, or other rights relating to any  
4 non-Federal land (including any interest in non-Federal  
5 land).

6 **SEC. 124. TRAILS STUDY.**

7 (a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 3 years after the  
8 date on which funds are made available to carry out this  
9 section, the Secretary of Agriculture, in accordance with  
10 subsection (b) and in consultation with interested parties,  
11 shall conduct a study—

12 (1) to improve motorized and nonmotorized  
13 recreation trail opportunities (including mountain bi-  
14 cycling) on land not designated as wilderness within  
15 the portions of the Six Rivers, Shasta-Trinity, and  
16 Mendocino National Forests located in Del Norte,  
17 Humboldt, Trinity, and Mendocino Counties in the  
18 State; and

19 (2) of the feasibility of opening a new trail, for  
20 vehicles measuring 50 inches or less in width, con-  
21 necting Forest Service Highway 95 to the existing  
22 off-highway vehicle trail system in the Ballinger  
23 Canyon Off-Highway Vehicle Area.

24 (b) CONSULTATION.—In carrying out the study  
25 under subsection (a), the Secretary of Agriculture shall

1 consult with the Secretary of the Interior regarding oppor-  
2 tunities to improve, through increased coordination, recre-  
3 ation trail opportunities on land under the jurisdiction of  
4 the Secretary of the Interior that shares a boundary with  
5 the National Forest System land described in subsection  
6 (a)(1).

7 **SEC. 125. CONSTRUCTION OF MOUNTAIN BICYCLING**  
8 **ROUTES.**

9 (a) TRAIL CONSTRUCTION.—

10 (1) FEASIBILITY STUDY.—Not later than 3  
11 years after the date on which funds are made avail-  
12 able to carry out this section, the Secretary of Agri-  
13 culture (referred to in this section as the “Sec-  
14 retary”) shall study the feasibility and public inter-  
15 est with respect to constructing recreational trails  
16 for mountain bicycling and other nonmotorized uses  
17 on the routes generally depicted in the report titled  
18 “Trail Study for Smith River National Recreation  
19 Area Six Rivers National Forest” and dated 2016.

20 (2) CONSTRUCTION.—

21 (A) CONSTRUCTION AUTHORIZED.—Sub-  
22 ject to appropriations and in accordance with  
23 paragraph (3), if the Secretary determines  
24 under paragraph (1) that the construction of 1  
25 or more routes described in that paragraph is



1 feasible and in the public interest, the Secretary  
2 may provide for the construction of the routes.

3 (B) MODIFICATIONS.—The Secretary may  
4 modify the routes, as determined to be nec-  
5 essary by the Secretary.

6 (C) USE OF VOLUNTEER SERVICES AND  
7 CONTRIBUTIONS.—Routes may be constructed  
8 under this section through the acceptance of  
9 volunteer services and contributions from non-  
10 Federal sources to reduce or eliminate the need  
11 for Federal expenditures to construct the route.

12 (3) COMPLIANCE.—In carrying out this section,  
13 the Secretary shall comply with—

14 (A) the laws (including regulations) gen-  
15 erally applicable to the National Forest System;  
16 and

17 (B) this Act.

18 (b) EFFECT.—Nothing in this section affects the  
19 ownership, management, or other rights relating to any  
20 non-Federal land (including any interest in non-Federal  
21 land).

22 **SEC. 126. PARTNERSHIPS.**

23 (a) AGREEMENTS AUTHORIZED.—The Secretary of  
24 Agriculture or the Secretary of the Interior, or the Sec-  
25 retary of Agriculture and the Secretary of the Interior act-

1 ing jointly, may enter into agreements with qualified pri-  
2 vate and nonprofit organizations to carry out the following  
3 activities on Federal land under the jurisdiction of the re-  
4 spective Secretary in Mendocino, Humboldt, Trinity, and  
5 Del Norte Counties in the State:

6 (1) Trail and campground maintenance.

7 (2) Public education, visitor contacts, and out-  
8 reach.

9 (3) Visitor center staffing.

10 (b) CONTENTS.—An agreement entered into under  
11 subsection (a) shall clearly define the role and responsi-  
12 bility of the applicable Secretary and the private or non-  
13 profit organization.

14 (c) COMPLIANCE.—Each Secretary shall enter into  
15 agreements under subsection (a) in accordance with exist-  
16 ing law.

17 (d) EFFECT.—Nothing in this section—

18 (1) reduces or diminishes the authority of each  
19 Secretary to manage land and resources under the  
20 jurisdiction of the Secretary; or

21 (2) amends or modifies the application of any  
22 existing law (including regulations) applicable to  
23 land under the jurisdiction of the Secretary.

1   **SEC. 127. TRINITY LAKE VISITOR CENTER.**

2           (a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Agriculture (re-  
3   ferred to in this section as the “Secretary”) may establish,  
4   in cooperation with any other public or private entity that  
5   the Secretary determines to be appropriate, a visitor cen-  
6   ter in Weaverville, California—

7           (1) to serve visitors; and

8           (2) to assist in fulfilling the purposes of the  
9   Whiskeytown-Shasta-Trinity National Recreation  
10   Area.

11          (b) REQUIREMENTS.—The Secretary shall ensure  
12   that the visitor center authorized under subsection (a) is  
13   designed to provide for the interpretation of the scenic,  
14   biological, natural, historical, scientific, paleontological,  
15   recreational, ecological, wilderness, and cultural resources  
16   of the Whiskeytown-Shasta-Trinity National Recreation  
17   Area and other Federal land in the vicinity of the visitor  
18   center.

19          (c) COOPERATIVE AGREEMENTS.—In a manner con-  
20   sistent with this section, the Secretary may enter into co-  
21   operative agreements with the State and any other appro-  
22   priate institutions and organizations to carry out this sec-  
23   tion.

24   **SEC. 128. DEL NORTE COUNTY VISITOR CENTER.**

25          (a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Agriculture and  
26   the Secretary of the Interior (referred to in this section

1 as the “Secretaries”) may establish, in cooperation with  
2 any other public or private entity that the Secretaries de-  
3 termine to be appropriate, a visitor center in Del Norte  
4 County, California—

5 (1) to serve visitors; and

6 (2) to assist in fulfilling the purposes of Red-  
7 wood National and State Parks, the Smith River  
8 National Recreation Area, and any other Federal  
9 recreational land in the vicinity of the visitor center.

10 (b) REQUIREMENTS.—In carrying out subsection (a),  
11 the Secretaries—

12 (1) may act jointly or separately; and

13 (2) shall ensure that the visitor center author-  
14 ized under that subsection is designed to interpret  
15 the scenic, biological, natural, historical, scientific,  
16 paleontological, recreational, ecological, wilderness,  
17 and cultural resources of Redwood National and  
18 State Parks, the Smith River National Recreation  
19 Area, and any other Federal recreational land in the  
20 vicinity of the visitor center.

21 **SEC. 129. STUDY; PARTNERSHIPS RELATED TO OVERNIGHT**  
22 **ACCOMMODATIONS.**

23 (a) STUDY.—The Secretary of the Interior (referred  
24 to in this section as the “Secretary”), in consultation with  
25 interested Federal, State, Tribal, and local entities and

1 private and nonprofit organizations, shall conduct a study  
2 to evaluate the feasibility and suitability of establishing  
3 overnight accommodations on Federal land that is—

4 (1) outside of the boundaries of Redwood Na-  
5 tional and State Parks; and

6 (2) within 20 miles of the northern or southern  
7 boundary of such Parks.

8 (b) PARTNERSHIPS.—

9 (1) AGREEMENTS AUTHORIZED.—If the Sec-  
10 retary determines, based on the study conducted  
11 under subsection (a), that establishing the accom-  
12 modations described in that subsection is suitable  
13 and feasible, the Secretary may, in accordance with  
14 applicable law, enter into 1 or more agreements with  
15 qualified private or nonprofit organizations for the  
16 development, operation, and maintenance of the ac-  
17 commodation.

18 (2) CONTENTS.—Any agreement entered into  
19 under paragraph (1) shall clearly define the role and  
20 responsibility of the Secretary and the private or  
21 nonprofit organization entering into the agreement.

22 (3) EFFECT.—Nothing in this subsection—

23 (A) reduces or diminishes the authority of  
24 the Secretary to manage land and resources  
25 under the jurisdiction of the Secretary; or

1 (B) amends or modifies the application of  
2 any law (including regulations) applicable to  
3 land under the jurisdiction of the Secretary.

## 4 **TITLE III—CONSERVATION**

### 5 **SEC. 131. DESIGNATION OF WILDERNESS.**

6 (a) IN GENERAL.—In accordance with the Wilderness  
7 Act (16 U.S.C. 1131 et seq.), the following land within  
8 the State is designated as wilderness and as a component  
9 of the National Wilderness Preservation System:

10 (1) BLACK BUTTE RIVER WILDERNESS.—Cer-  
11 tain Federal land within the Mendocino National  
12 Forest, comprising approximately 11,155 acres, as  
13 generally depicted on the map titled “Black Butte  
14 River Wilderness—Proposed” and dated May 15,  
15 2020, which shall be known as the “Black Butte  
16 River Wilderness”.

17 (2) CHANCELULLA WILDERNESS ADDITION.—  
18 Certain Federal land in the Shasta-Trinity National  
19 Forest, comprising approximately 6,382 acres, as  
20 generally depicted on the map titled “Chancelulla  
21 Wilderness Additions—Proposed” and dated May  
22 15, 2020, which is incorporated in, and considered  
23 to be a part of, the Chancelulla Wilderness des-  
24 ignated by section 101(a)(4) of the California Wil-

1        derness Act of 1984 (16 U.S.C. 1132 note; Public  
2        Law 98–425; 98 Stat. 1619).

3            (3) CHINQUAPIN WILDERNESS.—Certain Fed-  
4        eral land in the Shasta-Trinity National Forest,  
5        comprising approximately 31,028 acres, as generally  
6        depicted on the map titled “Chinquapin Wilder-  
7        ness—Proposed” and dated November 14, 2023,  
8        which shall be known as the “Chinquapin Wilder-  
9        ness”.

10           (4) ELKHORN RIDGE WILDERNESS ADDITION.—  
11        Certain Federal land administered by the Bureau of  
12        Land Management in the State, comprising approxi-  
13        mately 37 acres, as generally depicted on the map  
14        titled “Proposed Elkhorn Ridge Wilderness Addi-  
15        tions” and dated February 2, 2022, which is incor-  
16        porated in, and considered to be a part of, the Elk-  
17        horn Ridge Wilderness designated by section 6(d) of  
18        the Northern California Coastal Wild Heritage Wil-  
19        derness Act (16 U.S.C. 1132 note; Public Law 109–  
20        362; 120 Stat. 2070).

21           (5) ENGLISH RIDGE WILDERNESS.—Certain  
22        Federal land administered by the Bureau of Land  
23        Management in the State, comprising approximately  
24        6,204 acres, as generally depicted on the map titled  
25        “English Ridge Wilderness—Proposed” and dated

1 February 2, 2022, which shall be known as the  
2 “English Ridge Wilderness”.

3 (6) MAD RIVER BUTTES WILDERNESS.—Certain  
4 Federal land in the Six Rivers National Forest, com-  
5 prising approximately 6,097 acres, as generally de-  
6 picted on the map titled “Mad River Buttes Wilder-  
7 ness—Proposed” and dated May 15, 2020, which  
8 shall be known as the “Mad River Buttes Wilder-  
9 ness”.

10 (7) MOUNT LASSIC WILDERNESS ADDITION.—  
11 Certain Federal land in the Six Rivers National For-  
12 est, comprising approximately 1,288 acres, as gen-  
13 erally depicted on the map titled “Mt. Lassic Wil-  
14 derness Additions—Proposed” and dated May 15,  
15 2020, which is incorporated in, and considered to be  
16 a part of, the Mount Lassic Wilderness designated  
17 by section 3(6) of the Northern California Coastal  
18 Wild Heritage Wilderness Act (16 U.S.C. 1132 note;  
19 Public Law 109–362; 120 Stat. 2065).

20 (8) NORTH FORK WILDERNESS ADDITION.—  
21 Certain Federal land in the Six Rivers National For-  
22 est and certain Federal land administered by the  
23 Bureau of Land Management in the State, com-  
24 prising approximately 16,342 acres, as generally de-  
25 picted on the map titled “North Fork Eel Wilder-



1       ness Additions” and dated May 15, 2020, which is  
2       incorporated in, and considered to be a part of, the  
3       North Fork Wilderness designated by section  
4       101(a)(19) of the California Wilderness Act of 1984  
5       (16 U.S.C. 1132 note; Public Law 98–425; 98 Stat.  
6       1621).

7           (9) PATTISON WILDERNESS.—Certain Federal  
8       land in the Shasta-Trinity National Forest, com-  
9       prising approximately 29,451 acres, as generally de-  
10      picted on the map titled “Pattison Wilderness—Pro-  
11      posed” and dated May 15, 2020, which shall be  
12      known as the “Pattison Wilderness”.

13          (10) SISKIYOU WILDERNESS ADDITION.—Cer-  
14      tain Federal land in the Six Rivers National Forest,  
15      comprising approximately 29,594 acres, as generally  
16      depicted on the maps titled “Siskiyou Wilderness  
17      Additions—Proposed (North)” and “Siskiyou Wil-  
18      derness Additions—Proposed (South)” and dated  
19      November 14, 2023, which is incorporated in, and  
20      considered to be a part of, the Siskiyou Wilderness,  
21      as designated by section 101(a)(30) of the California  
22      Wilderness Act of 1984 (16 U.S.C. 1132 note; Pub-  
23      lic Law 98–425; 98 Stat. 1623).

24          (11) SOUTH FORK EEL RIVER WILDERNESS AD-  
25      DITION.—Certain Federal land administered by the

1 Bureau of Land Management in the State, com-  
2 prising approximately 603 acres, as generally de-  
3 picted on the map titled “South Fork Eel River Wil-  
4 derness Additions—Proposed” and dated February  
5 2, 2022, which is incorporated in, and considered to  
6 be a part of, the South Fork Eel River Wilderness  
7 designated by section 3(10) of the Northern Cali-  
8 fornia Coastal Wild Heritage Wilderness Act (16  
9 U.S.C. 1132 note; Public Law 109–362; 120 Stat.  
10 2066).

11 (12) SOUTH FORK TRINITY RIVER WILDER-  
12 NESS.—Certain Federal land in the Shasta-Trinity  
13 National Forest, comprising approximately 26,562  
14 acres, as generally depicted on the map titled  
15 “South Fork Trinity River Wilderness Additions—  
16 Proposed” and dated November 14, 2023, which  
17 shall be known as the “South Fork Trinity River  
18 Wilderness”.

19 (13) TRINITY ALPS WILDERNESS ADDITION.—  
20 Certain Federal land in the Shasta-Trinity National  
21 Forest and certain Federal land administered by the  
22 Bureau of Land Management in the State, com-  
23 prising approximately 62,474 acres, as generally de-  
24 picted on the maps titled “Trinity Alps Proposed  
25 Wilderness Additions EAST” and dated November

1       14, 2023, and “Trinity Alps Wilderness Additions  
2       West—Proposed” and dated May 15, 2020, which is  
3       incorporated in, and considered to be a part of, the  
4       Trinity Alps Wilderness designated by section  
5       101(a)(34) of the California Wilderness Act of 1984  
6       (16 U.S.C. 1132 note; Public Law 98–425; 98 Stat.  
7       1623).

8           (14) UNDERWOOD WILDERNESS.—Certain Fed-  
9       eral land in the Six Rivers and Shasta-Trinity Na-  
10      tional Forests comprising approximately 15,068  
11      acres, as generally depicted on the map titled  
12      “Underwood Wilderness—Proposed” and dated May  
13      15, 2020, which shall be known as the “Underwood  
14      Wilderness”.

15          (15) YOLLA BOLLY-MIDDLE EEL WILDERNESS  
16      ADDITION.—Certain Federal land in the Mendocino  
17      National Forest and certain Federal land adminis-  
18      tered by the Bureau of Land Management in the  
19      State, comprising approximately 21,126 acres, as  
20      generally depicted on the maps titled “Yolla Bolly  
21      Wilderness Proposed—NORTH” and dated May 15,  
22      2020, “Yolla Bolly Wilderness Proposed—SOUTH”  
23      and dated November 14, 2023, and “Yolla Bolly  
24      Wilderness Proposed—WEST” and dated May 15,  
25      2020, which is incorporated in, and considered to be

1 a part of, the Yolla Bolly-Middle Eel Wilderness des-  
2 ignated under section 3 of the Wilderness Act (16  
3 U.S.C. 1132).

4 (16) YUKI WILDERNESS ADDITION.—Certain  
5 Federal land in the Mendocino National Forest and  
6 certain Federal land administered by the Bureau of  
7 Land Management in the State, comprising approxi-  
8 mately 14,132 acres, as generally depicted on the  
9 map titled “Yuki Wilderness Additions—Proposed”  
10 and dated November 14, 2023, which is incorporated  
11 in, and considered to be a part of, the Yuki Wilder-  
12 ness designated by section 3(3) of the Northern  
13 California Coastal Wild Heritage Wilderness Act (16  
14 U.S.C. 1132 note; Public Law 109–362; 120 Stat.  
15 2065).

16 (b) RENAMING OF NORTH FORK WILDERNESS AS  
17 NORTH FORK EEL RIVER WILDERNESS.—

18 (1) IN GENERAL.—Section 101(a)(19) of the  
19 California Wilderness Act of 1984 (16 U.S.C. 1132  
20 note; Public Law 98–425; 98 Stat. 1621) is amend-  
21 ed by striking “which shall be known as the North  
22 Fork Wilderness” and inserting “which shall be  
23 known as the North Fork Eel River Wilderness”.

24 (2) REFERENCES.—Any reference in a law,  
25 map, regulation, document, paper, or other record of

1 the United States to the North Fork Wilderness  
2 shall be deemed to be a reference to the “North  
3 Fork Eel River Wilderness”.

4 (c) ELKHORN RIDGE WILDERNESS MODIFICA-  
5 TION.—The boundary of the Elkhorn Ridge Wilderness es-  
6 tablished by section 6(d) of the Northern California Coast-  
7 al Wild Heritage Wilderness Act (16 U.S.C. 1132 note;  
8 Public Law 109–362; 120 Stat. 2070) is modified to ex-  
9 clude the area comprising approximately 30 acres of Fed-  
10 eral land, as generally depicted on the map titled “Pro-  
11 posed Elkhorn Ridge Wilderness Additions” and dated Oc-  
12 tober 24, 2019.

13 **SEC. 132. ADMINISTRATION OF WILDERNESS.**

14 (a) IN GENERAL.—Subject to valid existing rights,  
15 land designated as wilderness and as a component of the  
16 National Wilderness Preservation System by section  
17 131(a) (referred to in this section as a “wilderness area”)  
18 shall be administered by the Secretary in accordance with  
19 this Act and the Wilderness Act (16 U.S.C. 1131 et seq.),  
20 except that—

21 (1) any reference in the Wilderness Act (16  
22 U.S.C. 1131 et seq.) to the effective date of that Act  
23 (16 U.S.C. 1131 et seq.) shall be considered to be  
24 a reference to the date of enactment of this Act; and

1           (2) for land under the jurisdiction of the Sec-  
2       retary of the Interior, any reference in the Wilder-  
3       ness Act (16 U.S.C. 1131 et seq.) to the Secretary  
4       of Agriculture shall be considered to be a reference  
5       to the Secretary of the Interior.

6       (b) FIRE MANAGEMENT AND RELATED ACTIVI-  
7       TIES.—

8           (1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary may carry out  
9       any activities in a wilderness area as are necessary  
10      for the control of fire, insects, or disease in accord-  
11      ance with section 4(d)(1) of the Wilderness Act (16  
12      U.S.C. 1133(d)(1)).

13          (2) REVISION AND DEVELOPMENT OF LOCAL  
14      FIRE MANAGEMENT PLANS.—As soon as practicable  
15      after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Sec-  
16      retary shall amend the local information in the Fire  
17      Management Reference System of the Forest Service  
18      or individual operational plan that applies to each  
19      wilderness area.

20          (3) FUNDING PRIORITIES.—Nothing in this title  
21      limits funding for fire or fuels management in a wil-  
22      derness area.

23          (4) ADMINISTRATION.—In accordance with  
24      paragraph (1) and any other applicable Federal law,  
25      to ensure a timely and efficient response to a fire

1 emergency in a wilderness area, the Secretary of Ag-  
2 riculture and the Secretary of the Interior shall—

3 (A) not later than 1 year after the date of  
4 the enactment of this Act, establish agency ap-  
5 proval procedures (including appropriate delega-  
6 tions of authority to the Forest Supervisor, Dis-  
7 trict Manager, and other applicable agency field  
8 office officials) for responding to fire emer-  
9 gencies; and

10 (B) enter into agreements with appropriate  
11 State or local firefighting agencies.

12 (c) GRAZING.—The grazing of livestock in a wilder-  
13 ness area, if established before the date of the enactment  
14 of this Act, shall be administered in accordance with—

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

17 (2)(A) for land under the jurisdiction of the  
18 Secretary of Agriculture, the guidelines set forth in  
19 the report of the Committee on Interior and Insular  
20 Affairs of the House of Representatives accom-  
21 panying H.R. 5487 of the 96th Congress (H. Rept.  
22 96–617); and

23 (B) for land under the jurisdiction of the Sec-  
24 retary of the Interior, the guidelines set forth in Ap-  
25 pendix A of the report of the Committee on Interior

1 and Insular Affairs of the House of Representatives  
2 accompanying H.R. 2570 of the 101st Congress (H.  
3 Rept. 101–405); and

4 (3) all other laws governing livestock grazing on  
5 Federal public land.

6 (d) FISH AND WILDLIFE.—

7 (1) IN GENERAL.—Nothing in this title shall be  
8 construed to affect the jurisdiction or responsibilities  
9 of the State with respect to fish and wildlife in the  
10 State.

11 (2) MANAGEMENT ACTIVITIES.—In support of  
12 the purposes and principles of the Wilderness Act  
13 (16 U.S.C. 1131 et seq.), the Secretary may conduct  
14 any management activity in a wilderness area that  
15 the Secretary determines to be necessary to main-  
16 tain or restore a fish, wildlife, or plant population or  
17 habitat, if the management activity is conducted in  
18 accordance with—

19 (A) an applicable wilderness management  
20 plan;

21 (B) the Wilderness Act (16 U.S.C. 1131 et  
22 seq.); and

23 (C) appropriate policies, such as the poli-  
24 cies established in Appendix B of the report of  
25 the Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs



1 of the House of Representatives accompanying  
2 H.R. 2570 of the 101st Congress (H. Rept.  
3 101–405).

4 (e) BUFFER ZONES.—

5 (1) IN GENERAL.—Nothing in this title estab-  
6 lishes a protective perimeter or buffer zone around  
7 a wilderness area.

8 (2) OUTSIDE ACTIVITIES OR USES.—The fact  
9 that a nonwilderness activity or use can be seen or  
10 heard from within a wilderness area does not pre-  
11 clude the activity or use outside the boundary of the  
12 wilderness area.

13 (f) MILITARY ACTIVITIES.—Nothing in this title re-  
14 stricts or precludes—

15 (1) low-level overflights of military aircraft over  
16 a wilderness area;

17 (2) the designation of a new unit of special air-  
18 space over a wilderness area; or

19 (3) the use or establishment of a military flight  
20 training route over a wilderness area.

21 (g) HORSES.—Nothing in this title precludes horse-  
22 back riding in, or the entry of recreational or commercial  
23 saddle or pack stock into, a wilderness area—

24 (1) in accordance with section 4(d)(5) of the  
25 Wilderness Act (16 U.S.C. 1133(d)(5)); and

1           (2) subject to any terms and conditions deter-  
2           mined to be necessary by the Secretary.

3           (h) RECREATIONAL CLIMBING.—Nothing in this title  
4           prohibits recreational rock climbing activities in a wilder-  
5           ness area, such as the placement, use, and maintenance  
6           of fixed anchors, including any fixed anchor established  
7           before the date of the enactment of this Act—

8           (1) in accordance with the Wilderness Act (16  
9           U.S.C. 1131 et seq.) and other applicable laws; and

10          (2) subject to any terms and conditions deter-  
11          mined to be necessary by the Secretary.

12          (i) WITHDRAWAL.—Subject to valid existing rights,  
13          each wilderness area is withdrawn from—

14          (1) all forms of entry, appropriation, and dis-  
15          posal under the public land laws;

16          (2) location, entry, and patent under the mining  
17          laws; and

18          (3) operation of the mineral materials and geo-  
19          thermal leasing laws.

20          (j) INCORPORATION OF ACQUIRED LAND AND INTER-  
21          ESTS.—Any land within the boundary of a wilderness area  
22          that is acquired by the United States shall—

23          (1) become part of the wilderness area within  
24          which the land is located;

1 (2) be withdrawn in accordance with subsection  
2 (i); and

3 (3) be managed in accordance with—

4 (A) this section;

5 (B) the Wilderness Act (16 U.S.C. 1131 et  
6 seq.); and

7 (C) any other applicable law.

8 (k) CLIMATOLOGICAL DATA COLLECTION.—In ac-  
9 cordance with the Wilderness Act (16 U.S.C. 1131 et seq.)  
10 and subject to such terms and conditions as the Secretary  
11 may prescribe, the Secretary may authorize the installa-  
12 tion and maintenance of hydrologic, meteorologic, or cli-  
13 matological collection devices in a wilderness area if the  
14 Secretary determines that the devices and access to the  
15 devices are essential to a flood warning, flood control, or  
16 water reservoir operation activity.

17 **SEC. 133. DESIGNATION OF POTENTIAL WILDERNESS.**

18 (a) DESIGNATION.—In furtherance of the purposes of  
19 the Wilderness Act (16 U.S.C. 1131 et seq.), the following  
20 land is designated as potential wilderness:

21 (1) Certain Federal land in Redwood National  
22 Park administered by the National Park Service,  
23 comprising approximately 31,000 acres, as gen-  
24 erally depicted on the map titled “Redwood National

1 Park—Potential Wilderness” and dated October 9,  
2 2019.

3 (2) Certain Federal land administered by the  
4 Bureau of Land Management in the State, com-  
5 prising approximately 2,918 acres, as generally de-  
6 picted on the map titled “Yuki Proposed Potential  
7 Wilderness” and dated May 15, 2020.

8 (b) MANAGEMENT.—Except as provided in subsection  
9 (c), the Secretary shall manage land designated as poten-  
10 tial wilderness by subsection (a) (referred to in this section  
11 as a “potential wilderness area”) as wilderness until the  
12 date on which the potential wilderness area is designated  
13 as wilderness under subsection (d).

14 (c) ECOLOGICAL RESTORATION.—

15 (1) IN GENERAL.—For purposes of ecological  
16 restoration, including the elimination of nonnative  
17 species, removal of illegal, unused, or decommis-  
18 sioned roads, repair of skid tracks, and any other  
19 activities necessary to restore the natural ecosystems  
20 in a potential wilderness area and consistent with  
21 paragraph (2), the Secretary may use motorized  
22 equipment and mechanized transport in a potential  
23 wilderness area until the date on which the potential  
24 wilderness area is designated as wilderness under  
25 subsection (d).

1           (2) LIMITATION.—To the maximum extent  
2       practicable, the Secretary shall use the minimum  
3       tool or administrative practice necessary to accom-  
4       plish ecological restoration with the least amount of  
5       adverse impact on wilderness character and re-  
6       sources.

7       (d) WILDERNESS DESIGNATION.—A potential wilder-  
8       ness area shall be designated as wilderness and as a com-  
9       ponent of the National Wilderness Preservation System on  
10      the date on which the Secretary publishes in the Federal  
11      Register notice that the conditions in the potential wilder-  
12      ness area that are incompatible with the Wilderness Act  
13      (16 U.S.C. 1131 et seq.) have been removed.

14      (e) ADMINISTRATION AS WILDERNESS.—On the date  
15      on which a potential wilderness area is designated as wil-  
16      derness under subsection (d)—

17           (1) the land described in subsection (a)(1) shall  
18      be administered in accordance with the Wilderness  
19      Act (16 U.S.C. 1131 et seq.) and the laws generally  
20      applicable to units of the National Park System; and

21           (2) the land described in subsection (a)(2) shall  
22      be incorporated in, and considered to be a part of,  
23      the Yuki Wilderness designated by section 3(3) of  
24      the Northern California Coastal Wild Heritage Wil-

1        derness Act (16 U.S.C. 1132 note; Public Law 109–  
2        362; 120 Stat. 2065).

3        (f) REPORT.—Not later than 3 years after the date  
4 of the enactment of this Act, and every 3 years thereafter  
5 until the date on which each potential wilderness area is  
6 designated as wilderness under subsection (d), the Sec-  
7 retary shall submit to the Committee on Natural Re-  
8 sources of the House of Representatives and the Com-  
9 mittee on Energy and Natural Resources of the Senate  
10 a report that describes—

11            (1) the status of ecological restoration within  
12        each potential wilderness area; and

13            (2) the progress toward the eventual designa-  
14        tion of each potential wilderness area as wilderness  
15        under subsection (d).

16 **SEC. 134. DESIGNATION OF WILD AND SCENIC RIVERS.**

17        (a) DESIGNATION.—Section 3(a) of the Wild and  
18 Scenic Rivers Act (16 U.S.C. 1274(a)) is amended by add-  
19 ing at the end the following:

20            “(233) SOUTH FORK TRINITY RIVER, CALI-  
21        FORNIA.—The following segments of the South Fork  
22        Trinity River, to be administered by the Secretary of  
23        Agriculture:

24            “(A) The 18.3-mile segment from its mul-  
25        tiple source springs in the Cedar Basin of the

1 Yolla Bolly-Middle Eel Wilderness in sec. 15, T.  
2 27 N., R. 10 W., to 0.25 miles upstream of  
3 Wild Mad Road, as a wild river.

4 “(B) The 0.65-mile segment from 0.25  
5 miles upstream of Wild Mad Road to the con-  
6 fluence with the unnamed tributary approxi-  
7 mately 0.4 miles downstream of the Wild Mad  
8 Road in sec. 29, T. 28 N., R. 11 W., as a sce-  
9 nic river.

10 “(C) The 9.8-mile segment from 0.75 miles  
11 downstream of Wild Mad Road to Silver Creek,  
12 as a wild river.

13 “(D) The 5.4-mile segment from Silver  
14 Creek confluence to Farley Creek, as a scenic  
15 river.

16 “(E) The 3.6-mile segment from Farley  
17 Creek to Cave Creek, as a recreational river.

18 “(F) The 5.6-mile segment from Cave  
19 Creek to the confluence of the unnamed creek  
20 upstream of Hidden Valley Ranch in sec. 5, T.  
21 15, R. 7 E., as a wild river.

22 “(G) The 2.5-mile segment from the  
23 unnamed creek confluence upstream of Hidden  
24 Valley Ranch to the confluence with the  
25 unnamed creek flowing west from Bear Wallow

1 Mountain in sec. 29, T. 1 N., R. 7 E., as a sce-  
2 nic river.

3 “(H) The 3.8-mile segment from the  
4 unnamed creek confluence in sec. 29, T. 1 N.,  
5 R. 7 E., to Plummer Creek, as a wild river.

6 “(I) The 1.8-mile segment from Plummer  
7 Creek to the confluence with the unnamed trib-  
8 utary north of McClellan Place in sec. 6, T. 1  
9 N., R. 7 E., as a scenic river.

10 “(J) The 5.4-mile segment from the  
11 unnamed creek confluence in sec. 6, T. 1 N., R.  
12 7 E., to Hitchcock Creek, as a wild river.

13 “(K) The 7-mile segment from Eltapom  
14 Creek to the Grouse Creek, as a scenic river.

15 “(L) The 5-mile segment from Grouse  
16 Creek to Coon Creek, as a wild river.

17 “(234) EAST FORK SOUTH FORK TRINITY  
18 RIVER, CALIFORNIA.—The following segments, to be  
19 administered by the Secretary of Agriculture:

20 “(A) The 8.4-mile segment from its source  
21 in the Pettijohn Basin in the Yolla Bolly-Middle  
22 Eel Wilderness in sec. 10, T. 3 S., R. 10 W.,  
23 to 0.25 miles upstream of Wild Mad Road, as  
24 a wild river.



1                   “(B) The 3.4-mile segment from 0.25  
2                   miles upstream of Wild Mad Road to the South  
3                   Fork Trinity River, as a recreational river.

4                   “(235) RATTLESNAKE CREEK, CALIFORNIA.—  
5                   The 5.9-mile segment from the confluence with the  
6                   unnamed tributary in the southeast corner of sec. 5,  
7                   T. 1 S., R. 12 W., to the South Fork Trinity River,  
8                   to be administered by the Secretary of Agriculture  
9                   as a recreational river.

10                  “(236) BUTTER CREEK, CALIFORNIA.—The 7-  
11                  mile segment from 0.25 miles downstream of Road  
12                  3N08 crossing to the South Fork Trinity River, to  
13                  be administered by the Secretary of Agriculture as  
14                  a scenic river.

15                  “(237) HAYFORK CREEK, CALIFORNIA.—The  
16                  following segments, to be administered by the Sec-  
17                  retary of Agriculture:

18                         “(A) The 3.2-mile segment from Little  
19                         Creek to Bear Creek, as a recreational river.

20                         “(B) The 13.2-mile segment from Bear  
21                         Creek to the northern boundary of sec. 19, T.  
22                         3 N., R. 7 E., as a scenic river.

23                         “(238) OLSEN CREEK, CALIFORNIA.—The 2.8-  
24                         mile segment from the confluence of its source tribu-  
25                         taries in sec. 5, T. 3 N., R. 7 E., to the northern

1 boundary of sec. 24, T. 3 N., R. 6 E., to be adminis-  
2 tered by the Secretary of the Interior as a scenic  
3 river.

4 “(239) RUSCH CREEK, CALIFORNIA.—The 3.2-  
5 mile segment from 0.25 miles downstream of the  
6 32N11 Road crossing to Hayfork Creek, to be ad-  
7 ministered by the Secretary of Agriculture as a rec-  
8 reational river.

9 “(240) ELTAPOM CREEK, CALIFORNIA.—The  
10 3.4-mile segment from Buckhorn Creek to the South  
11 Fork Trinity River, to be administered by the Sec-  
12 retary of Agriculture as a wild river.

13 “(241) GROUSE CREEK, CALIFORNIA.—The fol-  
14 lowing segments, to be administered by the Sec-  
15 retary of Agriculture:

16 “(A) The 3.9-mile segment from Carson  
17 Creek to Cow Creek, as a scenic river.

18 “(B) The 7.4-mile segment from Cow  
19 Creek to the South Fork Trinity River, as a  
20 recreational river.

21 “(242) MADDEN CREEK, CALIFORNIA.—The fol-  
22 lowing segments, to be administered by the Sec-  
23 retary of Agriculture:

24 “(A) The 6.8-mile segment from the con-  
25 fluence of Madden Creek and its unnamed trib-

1           utary in sec. 18, T. 5 N., R. 5 E., to Fourmile  
2           Creek, as a wild river.

3           “(B) The 1.6-mile segment from Fourmile  
4           Creek to the South Fork Trinity River, as a  
5           recreational river.

6           “(243) CANYON CREEK, CALIFORNIA.—The fol-  
7           lowing segments, to be administered by the Sec-  
8           retary of Agriculture and the Secretary of the Inte-  
9           rior:

10           “(A) The 6.6-mile segment from the outlet  
11           of lower Canyon Creek Lake to Bear Creek up-  
12           stream of Ripstein, as a wild river.

13           “(B) The 11.2-mile segment from Bear  
14           Creek upstream of Ripstein to the southern  
15           boundary of sec. 25, T. 34 N., R. 11 W., as a  
16           recreational river.

17           “(244) NORTH FORK TRINITY RIVER, CALI-  
18           FORNIA.—The following segments, to be adminis-  
19           tered by the Secretary of Agriculture:

20           “(A) The 12-mile segment from the con-  
21           fluence of its source tributaries in sec. 24, T.  
22           8 N., R. 12 W., to the Trinity Alps Wilderness  
23           boundary upstream of Hobo Gulch, as a wild  
24           river.

1           “(B) The 0.5-mile segment from where the  
2           river leaves the Trinity Alps Wilderness to  
3           where it fully reenters the Trinity Alps Wilder-  
4           ness downstream of Hobo Gulch, as a scenic  
5           river.

6           “(C) The 13.9-mile segment from where  
7           the river fully reenters the Trinity Alps Wilder-  
8           ness downstream of Hobo Gulch to the Trinity  
9           Alps Wilderness boundary upstream of the  
10          County Road 421 crossing, as a wild river.

11          “(D) The 1.3-mile segment from the Trin-  
12          ity Alps Wilderness boundary upstream of the  
13          County Road 421 crossing to the Trinity River,  
14          as a recreational river.

15          “(245) EAST FORK NORTH FORK TRINITY  
16          RIVER, CALIFORNIA.—The following segments, to be  
17          administered by the Secretary of Agriculture:

18               “(A) The 9.5-mile segment from the source  
19               north of Mt. Hilton in sec. 19, T. 36 N., R. 10  
20               W., to the end of Road 35N20 approximately  
21               0.5 miles downstream of the confluence with  
22               the East Branch East Fork North Fork Trinity  
23               River, as a wild river.

1           “(B) The 3.25-mile segment from the end  
2           of Road 35N20 to 0.25 miles upstream of  
3           Coleridge, as a scenic river.

4           “(C) The 4.6-mile segment from 0.25 miles  
5           upstream of Coleridge to the confluence of Fox  
6           Gulch, as a recreational river.

7           “(246) NEW RIVER, CALIFORNIA.—The fol-  
8           lowing segments, to be administered by the Sec-  
9           retary of Agriculture:

10           “(A) The 12.7-mile segment of Virgin  
11           Creek from its source spring in sec. 22, T. 9  
12           N., R. 7 E., to Slide Creek, as a wild river.

13           “(B) The 2.3-mile segment of the New  
14           River where it begins at the confluence of Vir-  
15           gin Creek and Slide Creek to Barron Creek, as  
16           a wild river.

17           “(247) MIDDLE FORK EEL RIVER, CALI-  
18           FORNIA.—The following segments, to be adminis-  
19           tered by the Secretary of Agriculture:

20           “(A) The 37.7-mile segment from its  
21           source in Frying Pan Meadow to Rose Creek,  
22           as a wild river.

23           “(B) The 1.5-mile segment from Rose  
24           Creek to the Black Butte River, as a rec-  
25           reational river.

1                   “(C) The 10.5-mile segment of Balm of  
2                   Gilead Creek from its source in Hopkins Hollow  
3                   to the Middle Eel River, as a wild river.

4                   “(D) The 13-mile segment of the North  
5                   Fork Middle Fork Eel River from the source on  
6                   Dead Puppy Ridge in sec. 11, T. 26 N., R. 11  
7                   W., to the confluence of the Middle Eel River,  
8                   as a wild river.

9                   “(248) NORTH FORK EEL RIVER, CALI-  
10                  FORNIA.—The 14.3-mile segment from the con-  
11                  fluence with Gilman Creek to the Six Rivers Na-  
12                  tional Forest boundary, to be administered by the  
13                  Secretary of Agriculture as a wild river.

14                  “(249) RED MOUNTAIN CREEK, CALIFORNIA.—  
15                  The following segments, to be administered by the  
16                  Secretary of Agriculture:

17                         “(A) The 5.25-mile segment from its  
18                         source west of Mike’s Rock in sec. 23, T. 26  
19                         N., R. 12 E., to the confluence with Littlefield  
20                         Creek, as a wild river.

21                         “(B) The 1.6-mile segment from the con-  
22                         fluence with Littlefield Creek to the confluence  
23                         with the unnamed tributary in sec. 32, T. 26  
24                         N., R. 8 E., as a scenic river.

1                   “(C) The 1.25-mile segment from the con-  
2                   fluence with the unnamed tributary in sec. 32,  
3                   T. 4 S., R. 8 E., to the confluence with the  
4                   North Fork Eel River, as a wild river.

5                   “(250) REDWOOD CREEK, CALIFORNIA.—The  
6                   following segments, to be administered by the Sec-  
7                   retary of the Interior:

8                   “(A) The 6.2-mile segment from the con-  
9                   fluence with Lacks Creek to the confluence with  
10                  Coyote Creek, as a scenic river, on publication  
11                  by the Secretary of the Interior of a notice in  
12                  the Federal Register that sufficient land or in-  
13                  terests in land within the boundaries of the seg-  
14                  ment has been acquired in fee title or as a sce-  
15                  nic easement to establish a manageable addition  
16                  to the National Wild and Scenic Rivers System.

17                  “(B) The 19.1-mile segment from the con-  
18                  fluence with Coyote Creek in sec. 2, T. 8 N., R.  
19                  2 E., to the Redwood National Park boundary  
20                  upstream of Orick in sec. 34, T. 11 N., R. 1  
21                  E., as a scenic river.

22                  “(C) The 2.3-mile segment of Emerald  
23                  Creek (also known as Harry Weir Creek) from  
24                  its source in sec. 29, T. 10 N., R. 2 E., to the

1 confluence with Redwood Creek, as a scenic  
2 river.

3 “(251) LACKS CREEK, CALIFORNIA.—The fol-  
4 lowing segments, to be administered by the Sec-  
5 retary of the Interior:

6 “(A) The 5.1-mile segment from the con-  
7 fluence with 2 unnamed tributaries in sec. 14,  
8 T. 7 N., R. 3 E., to Kings Crossing in sec. 27,  
9 T. 8 N., R. 3 E., as a wild river.

10 “(B) The 2.7-mile segment from Kings  
11 Crossing to the confluence with Redwood Creek,  
12 as a scenic river, on publication by the Sec-  
13 retary of a notice in the Federal Register that  
14 sufficient inholdings within the segment have  
15 been acquired in fee title or as scenic easements  
16 to establish a manageable addition to the Na-  
17 tional Wild and Scenic Rivers System.

18 “(252) LOST MAN CREEK, CALIFORNIA.—The  
19 following segments, to be administered by the Sec-  
20 retary of the Interior:

21 “(A) The 6.4-mile segment of Lost Man  
22 Creek from its source in sec. 5, T. 10 N., R.  
23 2 E., to 0.25 miles upstream of the Prairie  
24 Creek confluence, as a recreational river.



1                   “(B) The 2.3-mile segment of Larry  
2                   Damm Creek from its source in sec. 8, T. 11  
3                   N., R. 2 E., to the confluence with Lost Man  
4                   Creek, as a recreational river.

5                   “(253) LITTLE LOST MAN CREEK, CALI-  
6                   FORNIA.—The 3.6-mile segment of Little Lost Man  
7                   Creek from its source in sec. 6, T. 10 N., R. 2 E.,  
8                   to 0.25 miles upstream of the Lost Man Creek road  
9                   crossing, to be administered by the Secretary of the  
10                  Interior as a wild river.

11                  “(254) SOUTH FORK ELK RIVER, CALI-  
12                  FORNIA.—The following segments, to be adminis-  
13                  tered by the Secretary of the Interior (including  
14                  through a cooperative management agreement with  
15                  the State of California, where appropriate):

16                  “(A) The 3.6-mile segment of the Little  
17                  South Fork Elk River from the source in sec.  
18                  21, T. 3 N., R. 1 E., to the confluence with the  
19                  South Fork Elk River, as a wild river.

20                  “(B) The 2.2-mile segment of the  
21                  unnamed tributary of the Little South Fork Elk  
22                  River from its source in sec. 15, T. 3 N., R. 1  
23                  E., to the confluence with the Little South Fork  
24                  Elk River, as a wild river.

1                   “(C) The 3.6-mile segment of the South  
2                   Fork Elk River from the confluence of the Lit-  
3                   tle South Fork Elk River to the confluence with  
4                   Tom Gulch, as a recreational river.

5                   “(255) SALMON CREEK, CALIFORNIA.—The 4.6-  
6                   mile segment from its source in sec. 27, T. 3 N., R.  
7                   1 E., to the Headwaters Forest Reserve boundary in  
8                   sec. 18, T. 3 N., R. 1 E., to be administered by the  
9                   Secretary of the Interior as a wild river.

10                  “(256) SOUTH FORK EEL RIVER, CALI-  
11                  FORNIA.—The following segments:

12                   “(A) The 6.2-mile segment from the con-  
13                   fluence with Jack of Hearts Creek to the south-  
14                   ern boundary of the South Fork Eel Wilderness  
15                   in sec. 8, T. 22 N., R. 16 W., to be adminis-  
16                   tered by the Secretary of the Interior through  
17                   a cooperative management agreement with the  
18                   State of California as a recreational river.

19                   “(B) The 6.1-mile segment from the south-  
20                   ern boundary of the South Fork Eel Wilderness  
21                   to the northern boundary of the South Fork  
22                   Eel Wilderness in sec. 29, T. 23 N., R. 16 W.,  
23                   to be administered by the Secretary of the Inte-  
24                   rior as a wild river.

1           “(257) ELDER CREEK, CALIFORNIA.—The fol-  
2           lowing segments, to be administered by the Sec-  
3           retary of the Interior through a cooperative manage-  
4           ment agreement with the State of California:

5           “(A) The 3.6-mile segment from its source  
6           north of Signal Peak in sec. 6, T. 21 N., R. 15  
7           W., to the confluence with the unnamed tribu-  
8           tary near the center of sec. 28, T. 22 N., R. 16  
9           W., as a wild river.

10          “(B) The 1.3-mile segment from the con-  
11          fluence with the unnamed tributary near the  
12          center of sec. 28, T. 22 N., R. 15 W., to the  
13          confluence with the South Fork Eel River, as a  
14          recreational river.

15          “(C) The 2.1-mile segment of Paralyze  
16          Canyon from its source south of Signal Peak in  
17          sec. 7, T. 21 N., R. 15 W., to the confluence  
18          with Elder Creek, as a wild river.

19          “(258) CEDAR CREEK, CALIFORNIA.—The fol-  
20          lowing segments, to be administered by the Sec-  
21          retary of the Interior:

22          “(A) The 7.7-mile segment from its source  
23          in sec. 22, T. 24 N., R. 16 W., to the southern  
24          boundary of the Red Mountain unit of the  
25          South Fork Eel Wilderness, as a wild river.

1                   “(B) The 1.9-mile segment of North Fork  
2 Cedar Creek from its source in sec. 28, T. 24  
3 N., R. 16 E., to the confluence with Cedar  
4 Creek, as a wild river.

5                   “(259) EAST BRANCH SOUTH FORK EEL RIVER,  
6 CALIFORNIA.—The following segments, to be admin-  
7 istered by the Secretary of the Interior on publica-  
8 tion by the Secretary of a notice in the Federal Reg-  
9 ister that sufficient inholdings within the boundaries  
10 of the segments have been acquired in fee title or as  
11 scenic easements to establish a manageable addition  
12 to the National Wild and Scenic Rivers System:

13                   “(A) The 2.3-mile segment of Cruso Cabin  
14 Creek from the confluence of 2 unnamed tribu-  
15 taries in sec. 18, T. 24 N., R. 15 W., to the  
16 confluence with Elkhorn Creek, as a scenic  
17 river.

18                   “(B) The 1.8-mile segment of Elkhorn  
19 Creek from the confluence of 2 unnamed tribu-  
20 taries in sec. 22, T. 24 N., R. 16 W., to the  
21 confluence with Cruso Cabin Creek, as a scenic  
22 river.

23                   “(C) The 14.2-mile segment of the East  
24 Branch South Fork Eel River from the con-  
25 fluence of Cruso Cabin and Elkhorn Creeks to

1 the confluence with Rays Creek, as a scenic  
2 river.

3 “(D) The 1.7-mile segment of the  
4 unnamed tributary from its source on the north  
5 flank of the north ridge of Red Mountain in  
6 sec. 2, T. 24 N., R. 17 W., to the confluence  
7 with the East Branch South Fork Eel River, as  
8 a scenic river.

9 “(E) The 1.3-mile segment of the  
10 unnamed tributary from its source on the north  
11 flank of the north ridge of Red Mountain in  
12 sec. 1, T. 24 N., R. 17 W., to the confluence  
13 with the East Branch South Fork Eel River, as  
14 a scenic river.

15 “(F) The 1.8-mile segment of Tom Long  
16 Creek from the confluence with the unnamed  
17 tributary in sec. 12, T. 5 S., R. 4 E., to the  
18 confluence with the East Branch South Fork  
19 Eel River, as a scenic river.

20 “(260) MATTOLE RIVER ESTUARY, CALI-  
21 FORNIA.—The 1.5-mile segment from the confluence  
22 of Stansberry Creek to the Pacific Ocean, to be ad-  
23 ministered by the Secretary of the Interior as a rec-  
24 reational river.

1           “(261) HONEYDEW CREEK, CALIFORNIA.—The  
2 following segments, to be administered by the Sec-  
3 retary of the Interior:

4           “(A) The 5.1-mile segment of Honeydew  
5 Creek from its source in the southwest corner  
6 of sec. 25, T. 3 S., R. 1 W., to the eastern  
7 boundary of the King Range National Con-  
8 servation Area in sec. 18, T. 3 S., R. 1 E, as  
9 a wild river.

10           “(B) The 2.8-mile segment of West Fork  
11 Honeydew Creek from its source west of North  
12 Slide Peak to the confluence with Honeydew  
13 Creek, as a wild river.

14           “(C) The 2.7-mile segment of Upper East  
15 Fork Honeydew Creek from its source in sec.  
16 23, T. 3 S., R. 1 W., to the confluence with  
17 Honeydew Creek, as a wild river.

18           “(262) BEAR CREEK, CALIFORNIA.—The fol-  
19 lowing segments, to be administered by the Sec-  
20 retary of the Interior:

21           “(A) The 1.9-mile segment of North Fork  
22 Bear Creek from the confluence with the  
23 unnamed tributary immediately downstream of  
24 the Horse Mountain Road crossing to the con-  
25 fluence with the South Fork, as a scenic river.

1           “(B) The 6.1-mile segment of South Fork  
2           Bear Creek from the confluence in sec. 2, T. 5  
3           S., R. 1 W., with the unnamed tributary flow-  
4           ing from the southwest flank of Queen Peak to  
5           the confluence with the North Fork, as a scenic  
6           river.

7           “(C) The 3-mile segment of Bear Creek  
8           from the confluence of the North and South  
9           Forks to the southern boundary of sec. 11, T.  
10          4 S., R. 1 E., as a wild river.

11          “(263) GITCHELL CREEK, CALIFORNIA.—The  
12          3-mile segment of Gitchell Creek from its source  
13          near Saddle Mountain to the Pacific Ocean, to be  
14          administered by the Secretary of the Interior as a  
15          wild river.

16          “(264) BIG FLAT CREEK, CALIFORNIA.—The  
17          following segments, to be administered by the Sec-  
18          retary of the Interior:

19               “(A) The 4-mile segment of Big Flat  
20               Creek from its source near King Peak in sec.  
21               36, T. 3 S., R. 1 W., to the Pacific Ocean, as  
22               a wild river.

23               “(B) The 0.8-mile segment of the  
24               unnamed tributary from its source in sec. 35,

1 T. 3 S., R. 1 W., to the confluence with Big  
2 Flat Creek, as a wild river.

3 “(C) The 2.7-mile segment of North Fork  
4 Big Flat Creek from the source in sec. 34, T.  
5 3 S., R. 1 W., to the confluence with Big Flat  
6 Creek, as a wild river.

7 “(265) BIG CREEK, CALIFORNIA.—The fol-  
8 lowing segments, to be administered by the Sec-  
9 retary of the Interior:

10 “(A) The 2.7-mile segment of Big Creek  
11 from its source in sec. 26, T. 3 S., R. 1 W., to  
12 the Pacific Ocean, as a wild river.

13 “(B) The 1.9-mile unnamed southern trib-  
14 utary from its source in sec. 25, T. 3 S., R. 1  
15 W., to the confluence with Big Creek, as a wild  
16 river.

17 “(266) ELK CREEK, CALIFORNIA.—The 11.4-  
18 mile segment from its confluence with Lookout  
19 Creek to its confluence with Deep Hole Creek, to be  
20 jointly administered by the Secretary of Agriculture  
21 and the Secretary of the Interior as a wild river.

22 “(267) EDEN CREEK, CALIFORNIA.—The 2.7-  
23 mile segment from the private property boundary in  
24 the northwest quarter of sec. 27, T. 21 N., R. 12  
25 W., to the eastern boundary of sec. 23, T. 21 N.,



1 R. 12 W., to be administered by the Secretary of the  
2 Interior as a wild river.

3 “(268) DEEP HOLE CREEK.—The 4.3-mile seg-  
4 ment from the private property boundary in the  
5 southwest quarter of sec. 13, T. 20 N., R. 12 W.,  
6 to the confluence with Elk Creek, to be administered  
7 by the Secretary of the Interior as a wild river.

8 “(269) INDIAN CREEK, CALIFORNIA.—The 3.3-  
9 mile segment from 300 feet downstream of the jeep  
10 trail in sec. 13, T. 20 N., R. 13 W., to the con-  
11 fluence with the Eel River, to be administered by the  
12 Secretary of the Interior as a wild river.

13 “(270) FISH CREEK, CALIFORNIA.—The 4.2-  
14 mile segment from the source at Buckhorn Spring to  
15 the confluence with the Eel River, to be adminis-  
16 tered by the Secretary of the Interior as a wild  
17 river.”.

18 **SEC. 135. SPECIAL MANAGEMENT AREAS.**

19 (a) ESTABLISHMENT OF SPECIAL MANAGEMENT  
20 AREAS.—

21 (1) HORSE MOUNTAIN SPECIAL MANAGEMENT  
22 AREA.—

23 (A) ESTABLISHMENT.—Subject to valid  
24 existing rights, there is established the Horse  
25 Mountain Special Management Area, com-

1           prising approximately 7,482 acres of Federal  
2           land in the Six Rivers National Forest, as gen-  
3           erally depicted on the map titled “Horse Moun-  
4           tain Special Management Area” and dated May  
5           15, 2020.

6                   (B) PURPOSE.—The purpose of the Horse  
7           Mountain Special Management Area is to en-  
8           hance the recreational and scenic values of the  
9           special management area while conserving the  
10          plants, wildlife, and other natural resource val-  
11          ues of the area.

12           (2)    SANHEDRIN    SPECIAL    MANAGEMENT  
13    AREA.—

14                   (A) ESTABLISHMENT.—Subject to valid  
15           existing rights, there is established the Sanhe-  
16           drin Special Management Area, comprising ap-  
17           proximately 12,254 acres of Federal land in the  
18           Mendocino National Forest, as generally de-  
19           picted on the map titled “Sanhedrin Special  
20           Management Area” and dated November 14,  
21           2023.

22                   (B) PURPOSES.—The purposes of the San-  
23           hedrin Special Management Area are—

24                           (i) to conserve, protect, and enhance  
25                           for the benefit and enjoyment of present

1 and future generations the ecological, sce-  
2 nic, wildlife, recreational, roadless, cul-  
3 tural, historical, natural, educational, and  
4 scientific resources of the area;

5 (ii) to protect and restore late-succes-  
6 sional forest structure, oak woodlands and  
7 grasslands, aquatic habitat, and anad-  
8 romous fisheries within the area;

9 (iii) to protect and restore the unde-  
10 veloped character of the area; and

11 (iv) to allow visitors to enjoy the sce-  
12 nic, natural, cultural, and wildlife values of  
13 the area.

14 (b) MANAGEMENT PLAN.—

15 (1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 5 years after  
16 the date of the enactment of this Act and in accord-  
17 ance with paragraph (2), the Secretary of Agri-  
18 culture (in this section referred to as the “Sec-  
19 retary”) shall develop a comprehensive plan for the  
20 long-term management of the special management  
21 areas established by subsection (a) (in this section  
22 referred to as a “special management area”).

23 (2) CONSULTATION.—In developing the man-  
24 agement plan required under paragraph (1), the  
25 Secretary shall consult with—

1 (A) appropriate State, Tribal, and local  
2 governmental entities; and

3 (B) members of the public.

4 (3) ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENT.—The manage-  
5 ment plan required under paragraph (1) shall ensure  
6 that recreational use within a special management  
7 area does not cause significant adverse impacts on  
8 the plants and wildlife of the special management  
9 area.

10 (c) MANAGEMENT.—

11 (1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary shall manage  
12 a special management area—

13 (A) in furtherance of the purpose for the  
14 applicable special management area described  
15 in subsection (a); and

16 (B) in accordance with—

17 (i) the laws (including regulations)  
18 generally applicable to the National Forest  
19 System;

20 (ii) this section; and

21 (iii) any other applicable law (includ-  
22 ing regulations).

23 (2) USES.—The Secretary shall only allow uses  
24 of a special management area that the Secretary de-  
25 termines would further the purposes of the applica-

1 ble special management area described in subsection  
2 (a).

3 (3) RECREATION.—The Secretary shall con-  
4 tinue to authorize, maintain, and enhance the rec-  
5 reational use of the special management areas, in-  
6 cluding hunting, fishing, camping, hiking, hang glid-  
7 ing, sightseeing, nature study, horseback riding,  
8 rafting, mountain bicycling, motorized recreation on  
9 authorized routes, and other recreational activities,  
10 if the recreational use is consistent with—

11 (A) the purpose of the applicable special  
12 management area;

13 (B) this section;

14 (C) other applicable law (including regula-  
15 tions); and

16 (D) any applicable management plans.

17 (4) MOTORIZED VEHICLES.—

18 (A) IN GENERAL.—Except as provided in  
19 subparagraph (C), the use of motorized vehicles  
20 in a special management area shall be per-  
21 mitted only on existing roads, trails, and areas  
22 designated for use by such vehicles as of the  
23 date of enactment of this Act.

24 (B) NEW OR TEMPORARY ROADS.—Except  
25 as provided in subparagraph (C), no new or

1 temporary roads shall be constructed within a  
2 special management area.

3 (C) EXCEPTIONS.—Notwithstanding sub-  
4 paragraph (A) or (B), the Secretary may—

5 (i) reroute or close an existing road or  
6 trail to protect natural resources from deg-  
7 radation, or to protect public safety, as de-  
8 termined to be appropriate by the Sec-  
9 retary;

10 (ii) designate routes of travel on land  
11 acquired by the Secretary and incorporated  
12 into a special management area if the des-  
13 ignations are—

14 (I) consistent with the purposes  
15 of the applicable special management  
16 area described in subsection (a); and

17 (II) completed, to the maximum  
18 extent practicable, not later than 3  
19 years after the date of such acquisi-  
20 tion;

21 (iii) construct a temporary road on  
22 which motorized vehicles are permitted as  
23 part of a vegetation management project  
24 carried out in accordance with subpara-  
25 graph (D); or

1 (iv) authorize the use of motorized ve-  
2 hicles—

3 (I) for administrative purposes;

4 or

5 (II) to respond to an emergency.

6 (D) DECOMMISSIONING OF TEMPORARY  
7 ROADS.—

8 (i) DEFINITION OF DECOMMISSION.—

9 In this subparagraph, the term “decom-  
10 mission” means, with respect to a road—

11 (I) to reestablish vegetation on  
12 the road; and

13 (II) to restore any natural drain-  
14 age, watershed function, or other eco-  
15 logical processes that are disrupted or  
16 adversely impacted by the road by re-  
17 moving or hydrologically disconnecting  
18 the road prism.

19 (ii) REQUIREMENT.—Not later than 3  
20 years after the date on which the applica-  
21 ble vegetation management project is com-  
22 pleted, the Secretary shall decommission  
23 any temporary road constructed under sub-  
24 paragraph (C)(iii).

25 (d) TIMBER HARVEST.—

1           (1) IN GENERAL.—Except as provided in para-  
2       graph (2), no harvesting of timber shall be allowed  
3       within a special management area.

4           (2) EXCEPTIONS.—The Secretary may author-  
5       ize harvesting of timber in a special management  
6       area—

7                (A) if the Secretary determines that the  
8       harvesting is necessary to further the purposes  
9       of the special management area;

10              (B) in a manner consistent with the pur-  
11       poses for the applicable special management  
12       area; and

13              (C) subject to—

14                   (i) such reasonable regulations, poli-  
15       cies, and practices as the Secretary deter-  
16       mines to be appropriate; and

17                   (ii) all applicable laws (including regu-  
18       lations).

19       (e) GRAZING.—The grazing of livestock in a special  
20       management area, where established before the date of the  
21       enactment of this Act, shall be permitted to continue—

22              (1) subject to—

23                   (A) such reasonable regulations, policies,  
24       and practices as the Secretary considers nec-  
25       essary; and



1 (B) applicable law (including regulations);

2 and

3 (2) in a manner consistent with the purposes of  
4 the applicable special management area described in  
5 subsection (a).

6 (f) WILDFIRE, INSECT, AND DISEASE.—Consistent  
7 with this section, the Secretary may carry out any activi-  
8 ties within a special management area that the Secretary  
9 determines to be necessary to control fire, insects, or dis-  
10 eases, including the coordination of those activities with  
11 a State or local agency.

12 (g) ACQUISITION AND INCORPORATION OF LAND AND  
13 INTERESTS IN LAND.—

14 (1) ACQUISITION AUTHORITY.—In accordance  
15 with applicable laws (including regulations), the Sec-  
16 retary may acquire any land or interest in land with-  
17 in or adjacent to the boundaries of a special man-  
18 agement area by purchase from a willing seller, do-  
19 nation, or exchange.

20 (2) INCORPORATION.—Any land or interest in  
21 land acquired by the Secretary under paragraph (1)  
22 shall be—

23 (A) incorporated into, and administered as  
24 part of, the applicable special management  
25 area; and

1 (B) withdrawn in accordance with sub-  
2 section (i).

3 (h) TRIBAL AGREEMENTS AND PARTNERSHIPS.—To  
4 the maximum extent practicable and in accordance with  
5 applicable laws, on request of an affected federally recog-  
6 nized Indian Tribe, the Secretary of the Interior (acting  
7 through the Director of the Bureau of Land Management)  
8 and the Secretary of Agriculture (acting through the Chief  
9 of the Forest Service) shall enter into agreements, con-  
10 tracts, and other cooperative and collaborative partner-  
11 ships with the federally recognized Indian Tribe regarding  
12 management of a special management area under relevant  
13 Federal authority, including—

14 (1) the Indian Self-Determination and Edu-  
15 cation Assistance Act (25 U.S.C. 5301 et seq.);

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

18 (3) the Tribal Self-Governance Act of 1994 (25  
19 U.S.C. 5361 et seq.);

20 (4) the Tribal Forest Protection Act of 2004  
21 (25 U.S.C. 3115a et seq.);

22 (5) the good neighbor authority under section  
23 8206 of the Agricultural Act of 2014 (16 U.S.C.  
24 2113a);

1           (6) Executive Order 13175 (25 U.S.C. 5301  
2       note; relating to consultation and coordination with  
3       Indian Tribal Governments);

4           (7) Secretarial Order 3342, issued by the Sec-  
5       retary of the Interior on October 21, 2016 (relating  
6       to identifying opportunities for cooperative and col-  
7       laborative partnerships with federally recognized In-  
8       dian Tribes in the management of Federal lands and  
9       resources); and

10          (8) Joint Secretarial Order 3403, issued by the  
11       Secretary of the Interior and the Secretary of Agri-  
12       culture on November 15, 2021 (relating to fulfilling  
13       the trust responsibility to Indian Tribes in the stew-  
14       ardship of Federal lands and waters).

15       (i) WITHDRAWAL.—Subject to valid existing rights,  
16   all Federal land located in a special management area is  
17   withdrawn from—

18           (1) all forms of entry, appropriation, and dis-  
19       posal under the public land laws;

20           (2) location, entry, and patenting under the  
21       mining laws; and

22           (3) operation of the mineral leasing, mineral  
23       materials, and geothermal leasing laws.

1       **TITLE IV—MISCELLANEOUS**

2       **SEC. 141. MAPS AND LEGAL DESCRIPTIONS.**

3       (a) IN GENERAL.—As soon as practicable after the  
4       date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary shall prepare  
5       maps and legal descriptions of—

6               (1) the South Fork Trinity-Mad River Restora-  
7       tion Area established by section 111(b);

8               (2) the wilderness areas and wilderness addi-  
9       tions designated by section 131(a);

10              (3) the potential wilderness areas designated by  
11       section 133(a); and

12              (4) the Horse Mountain Special Management  
13       Area and Sanhedrin Special Management Area es-  
14       tablished by section 135(a).

15       (b) FORCE OF LAW.—The maps and legal descrip-  
16       tions prepared under subsection (a) shall have the same  
17       force and effect as if included in this Act, except that the  
18       Secretary may correct any clerical and typographical er-  
19       rors in the maps and legal descriptions.

20       (c) PUBLIC AVAILABILITY.—The maps and legal de-  
21       scriptions prepared under subsection (a) shall be on file  
22       and available for public inspection in the appropriate of-  
23       fices of the Forest Service, the Bureau of Land Manage-  
24       ment, or the National Park Service, as applicable.

1 **SEC. 142. UPDATES TO LAND AND RESOURCE MANAGE-**  
2 **MENT PLANS.**

3 As soon as practicable after the date of enactment  
4 of this Act, in accordance with applicable law (including  
5 regulations), the Secretary shall incorporate the designa-  
6 tions and studies required by this Act into updated man-  
7 agement plans for units covered by this Act.

8 **SEC. 143. PACIFIC GAS AND ELECTRIC COMPANY UTILITY**  
9 **FACILITIES AND RIGHTS-OF-WAY.**

10 (a) EFFECT OF ACT.—Nothing in this Act—

11 (1) affects any validly issued right-of-way for  
12 the customary operation, maintenance, upgrade, re-  
13 pair, relocation within an existing right-of-way, re-  
14 placement, or other authorized activity (including  
15 the use of any mechanized vehicle, helicopter, and  
16 other aerial device) in a right-of-way acquired by or  
17 issued, granted, or permitted to Pacific Gas and  
18 Electric Company (including any predecessor or suc-  
19 cessor in interest or assign) that is located on land  
20 included in—

21 (A) the South Fork Trinity-Mad River  
22 Restoration Area established by section 111(b);

23 (B) the Bigfoot National Recreation Trail  
24 established under section 121(b)(1); or

1 (C) the Horse Mountain Special Manage-  
2 ment Area or Sanhedrin Special Management  
3 Area established by section 135(a); or

4 (2) prohibits the upgrading or replacement of  
5 any—

6 (A) utility facilities of the Pacific Gas and  
7 Electric Company, including those utility facili-  
8 ties in existence on the date of enactment of  
9 this Act within—

10 (i) the South Fork Trinity-Mad River  
11 Restoration Area known as—

12 (I) “Gas Transmission Line  
13 177A or rights-of-way”;

14 (II) “Gas Transmission Line  
15 DFM 1312–02 or rights-of-way”;

16 (III) “Electric Transmission Line  
17 Bridgeville-Cottonwood 115 kV or  
18 rights-of-way”;

19 (IV) “Electric Transmission Line  
20 Humboldt-Trinity 60 kV or rights-of-  
21 way”;

22 (V) “Electric Transmission Line  
23 Humboldt-Trinity 115 kV or rights-  
24 of-way”;

1 (VI) “Electric Transmission Line  
2 Maple Creek-Hoopa 60 kV or rights-  
3 of-way”;

4 (VII) “Electric Distribution  
5 Line-Willow Creek 1101 12 kV or  
6 rights-of-way”;

7 (VIII) “Electric Distribution  
8 Line-Willow Creek 1103 12 kV or  
9 rights-of-way”;

10 (IX) “Electric Distribution Line-  
11 Low Gap 1101 12 kV or rights-of-  
12 way”;

13 (X) “Electric Distribution Line-  
14 Fort Seward 1121 12 kV or rights-of-  
15 way”;

16 (XI) “Forest Glen Border Dis-  
17 trict Regulator Station or rights-of-  
18 way”;

19 (XII) “Durret District Gas Reg-  
20 ulator Station or rights-of-way”;

21 (XIII) “Gas Distribution Line  
22 4269C or rights-of-way”;

23 (XIV) “Gas Distribution Line  
24 43991 or rights-of-way”;

1 (XV) “Gas Distribution Line  
2 4993D or rights-of-way”;

3 (XVI) “Sportsmans Club District  
4 Gas Regulator Station or rights-of-  
5 way”;

6 (XVII) “Highway 36 and Zenia  
7 District Gas Regulator Station or  
8 rights-of-way”;

9 (XVIII) “Dinsmore Lodge 2nd  
10 Stage Gas Regulator Station or  
11 rights-of-way”;

12 (XIX) “Electric Distribution  
13 Line-Wildwood 1101 12kV or rights-  
14 of-way”;

15 (XX) “Low Gap Substation”;

16 (XXI) “Hyampom Switching  
17 Station”; or

18 (XXII) “Wildwood Substation”;

19 (ii) the Bigfoot National Recreation  
20 Trail known as—

21 (I) “Gas Transmission Line  
22 177A or rights-of-way”;

23 (II) “Electric Transmission Line  
24 Humboldt-Trinity 115 kV or rights-  
25 of-way”;



1 (III) “Electric Transmission Line  
2 Bridgeville-Cottonwood 115 kV or  
3 rights-of-way”; or

4 (IV) “Electric Transmission Line  
5 Humboldt-Trinity 60 kV or rights-of-  
6 way”;

7 (iii) the Sanhedrin Special Manage-  
8 ment Area known as “Electric Distribution  
9 Line-Willits 1103 12 kV or rights-of-way”;  
10 or

11 (iv) the Horse Mountain Special Man-  
12 agement Area known as “Electric Dis-  
13 tribution Line Willow Creek 1101 12 kV  
14 or rights-of-way”; or

15 (B) utility facilities of the Pacific Gas and  
16 Electric Company in rights-of-way issued,  
17 granted, or permitted by the Secretary adjacent  
18 to a utility facility referred to in subparagraph  
19 (A).

20 (b) PLANS FOR ACCESS.—Not later than the later of  
21 the date that is 1 year after the date of enactment of this  
22 Act or the date of issuance of a new utility facility right-  
23 of-way within the South Fork Trinity-Mad River Restora-  
24 tion Area, Bigfoot National Recreation Trail, Sanhedrin  
25 Special Management Area, or Horse Mountain Special

1 Management Area, the Secretary, in consultation with the  
2 Pacific Gas and Electric Company, shall publish plans for  
3 regular and emergency access by the Pacific Gas and Elec-  
4 tric Company to the inholdings and rights-of-way of the  
5 Pacific Gas and Electric Company.

6 **SEC. 144. RELEASE OF WILDERNESS STUDY AREA.**

7 (a) FINDING.—Congress finds that, for purposes of  
8 section 603 of the Federal Land Policy and Management  
9 Act of 1976 (43 U.S.C. 1782), any portion of the Eden  
10 Valley Wilderness Study Area that is not designated as  
11 a wilderness area or wilderness addition by section 301(a)  
12 has been adequately studied for wilderness designation.

13 (b) RELEASE.—Any portion of a wilderness study  
14 area described in subsection (a) that is not designated as  
15 a wilderness area or wilderness addition by section 301(a)  
16 is no longer subject to section 603(c) of the Federal Land  
17 Policy and Management Act of 1976 (43 U.S.C. 1782(c)).

18 **SEC. 145. USE BY MEMBERS OF INDIAN TRIBES.**

19 (a) ACCESS.—The Secretary shall ensure that Indian  
20 Tribes have access, in accordance with the Wilderness Act  
21 (16 U.S.C. 1131 et seq.), to the South Fork Trinity-Mad  
22 River Restoration Area, wilderness areas, special manage-  
23 ment areas, and potential wilderness areas designated by  
24 this Act for traditional cultural and religious purposes.

25 (b) TEMPORARY CLOSURES.—

1           (1) IN GENERAL.—In carrying out this section,  
2           the Secretary, on request of an Indian Tribe, may  
3           temporarily close to the general public 1 or more  
4           specific portions of a wilderness area or potential  
5           wilderness area designated by this Act to protect the  
6           privacy of the members of the Indian Tribe in the  
7           conduct of traditional cultural and religious activi-  
8           ties.

9           (2) REQUIREMENT.—Any closure under para-  
10          graph (1) shall be—

11                 (A) made in such a manner as to affect  
12                 the smallest practicable area for the minimum  
13                 period of time necessary for the activity to be  
14                 carried out; and

15                 (B) be consistent with—

16                         (i) Public Law 95–341 (commonly  
17                         known as the “American Indian Religious  
18                         Freedom Act”) (42 U.S.C. 1996 et seq.);  
19                         and

20                         (ii) the Wilderness Act (16 U.S.C.  
21                         1131 et seq.).