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S. 1705

To direct the Secretary of the Interior to enter into land exchanges to acquire from the private owner and to convey to the State of Idaho approximately 1,240 acres of land near the City of Rocks National Reserve, Idaho, and for other purposes.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

OCTOBER 7, 1999

Mr. CRAIG (for himself and Mr. CRAPO) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources

A BILL

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

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Castle Rock Ranch
5 Acquisition Act of 1999”.

6 **SEC. 2. DEFINITIONS.**

7 In this Act:

1 (1) MONUMENT.—The term “Monument”
 2 means the Hagerman Fossil Beds National Monu-
 3 ment, Idaho, depicted on the National Park Service
 4 map numbered 300/80,000, C.O. No. 161, and dated
 5 January 7, 1998.

6 (2) RANCH.—The term “Ranch” means the
 7 land comprising approximately 1,240 acres situated
 8 outside the boundary of the Reserve, known as the
 9 “Castle Rock Ranch”.

10 (3) RESERVE.—The term “Reserve” means the
 11 City of Rocks National Reserve, located near Almo,
 12 Idaho, depicted on the National Park Service map
 13 numbered 003/80,018, C.O. No. 169, and dated
 14 March 25, 1999.

15 (4) SECRETARY.—The term “Secretary” means
 16 the Secretary of the Interior.

17 **SEC. 3. ACQUISITION OF CASTLE ROCK RANCH.**

18 (a) IN GENERAL.—Subject to subsection (b), the Sec-
 19 retary shall acquire, by donation or by purchase with do-
 20 nated or appropriated funds, the Ranch.

21 (b) CONSENT OF LANDOWNER.—The Secretary shall
 22 acquire land under subsection (a) only with the consent
 23 of the owner of the land.

24 **SEC. 4. LAND EXCHANGE.**

25 (a) IN GENERAL.—

1 (1) FEDERAL AND STATE EXCHANGE.—Subject
2 to subsection (b), on completion of the acquisition
3 under section 3(a), the Secretary shall convey the
4 Ranch to the State of Idaho in exchange for ap-
5 proximately 492.87 acres of land near Hagerman,
6 Idaho, located within the boundary of the Monu-
7 ment.

8 (2) STATE AND PRIVATE LANDOWNER EX-
9 CHANGE.—On completion of the exchange under
10 paragraph (1), the State of Idaho may exchange
11 portions of the Ranch for private land within the
12 boundaries of the Reserve, with the consent of the
13 owners of the private land.

14 (b) CONDITION OF EXCHANGE.—As a condition of
15 the land exchange under subsection (a)(1), the State of
16 Idaho shall administer all private land acquired within the
17 Reserve through an exchange under this Act in accordance
18 with title II of the Arizona-Idaho Conservation Act of
19 1988 (16 U.S.C. 460yy et seq.).

20 (c) ADMINISTRATION.—State land acquired by the
21 United States in the land exchange under subsection
22 (a)(1) shall be administered by the Secretary as part of
23 the Monument.

1 (d) NO EXPANSION OF RESERVE.—Acquisition of the
2 Ranch by a Federal or State agency shall not constitute
3 any expansion of the Reserve.

4 (e) NO EFFECT ON EASEMENTS.—Nothing in this
5 Act affects any easement in existence on the date of enact-
6 ment of this Act.

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