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H. R. 3222

To designate certain National Park System land in Olympic National Park as wilderness or potential wilderness, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. DICKS introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on 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. DESIGNATION OF ADDITIONAL NATIONAL**
4 **PARK SYSTEM LAND IN OLYMPIC NATIONAL**
5 **PARK AS WILDERNESS OR POTENTIAL WIL-**
6 **DERNESS.**

7 (a) DESIGNATION.—In accordance with the Wilder-
8 ness Act (16 U.S.C. 1131 et seq.), the following lands
9 within Olympic National Park in the State of Washington
10 are designated as wilderness or potential wilderness and

1 incorporated in the Olympic Wilderness designated by sec-
2 tion 101(a) of Public Law 100–668 (102 Stat. 3961):

3 (1) Certain Federal land comprising approxi-
4 mately 4,100 acres as generally depicted on the map
5 entitled “Wilderness Boundary—Lake Crescent Ad-
6 dition, Olympic National Park, Washington”, num-
7 bered 149/60,471a, and dated May 2010, is hereby
8 designated as wilderness. The boundary along Lake
9 Crescent shall be set back a sufficient distance to
10 allow management of the historic World War I
11 Spruce Railroad grade as the Olympic Discovery
12 Trail, and to allow for operation and maintenance of
13 the existing county road. The World War II Pyr-
14 amid Peak lookout shall be included in the wilder-
15 ness and be managed and maintained as a historic
16 structure.

17 (2) Certain Federal land comprising approxi-
18 mately 11 acres as generally depicted on the map
19 entitled “Wilderness Boundary—Boulder Creek Ad-
20 dition, Olympic National Park, Washington”, num-
21 bered 149/60,470, and dated May 2009, is hereby
22 designated as a potential wilderness addition.

23 (b) MANAGEMENT.—Except as provided in subsection
24 (c), and subject to valid existing rights, the Secretary of
25 the Interior (hereafter in this section referred to as the

1 “Secretary”) shall manage each area designated as wilder-
2 ness or potential wilderness in accordance with the Wilder-
3 ness Act (16 U.S.C. 1131 et seq.), except that any ref-
4 erence in the Wilderness Act to the effective date of the
5 Wilderness Act shall be considered to be a reference to
6 the date of the enactment of this Act.

7 (c) ECOLOGICAL RESTORATION.—For purposes of ec-
8 ological restoration (including the elimination of nonnative
9 species, removal of decommissioned roads, and any other
10 activity necessary to restore the natural ecosystems in the
11 potential wilderness area) and construction of a foot/stock
12 trail, the Secretary may use motorized equipment and
13 mechanized transport in the potential wilderness area
14 until the date on which the potential wilderness area is
15 incorporated into the Olympic Wilderness, whereupon wil-
16 derness minimum requirement practices shall be imple-
17 mented in accordance with the Wilderness Act.

18 (d) BOULDER CREEK ADDITION WILDERNESS DES-
19 IGNATION.—The Boulder Creek Addition, consisting of
20 the Boulder Creek Trail and the Boulder Creek camp-
21 ground potential wilderness area, approximately 15 acres
22 as shown on the map titled “Wilderness Boundary—Boul-
23 der Creek Addition, Olympic National Park, Washington”,
24 numbered 149/60,470, and dated May 2009, shall be des-
25 ignated as wilderness and incorporated in the Olympic

1 Wilderness on the date on which the Secretary publishes
2 notice in the Federal Register that conditions in the poten-
3 tial wilderness areas that are incompatible with the Wil-
4 derness Act (16 U.S.C. 1131 et seq.) have been removed.

5 (e) MAP AND LEGAL DESCRIPTION.—

6 (1) SUBMISSION OF MAP AND LEGAL DESCRIPT-
7 TION.—As soon as practicable, after the date of the
8 enactment of this Act, the Secretary shall file a map
9 and legal description of each area designated as wil-
10 derness and potential wilderness by this subtitle
11 with—

12 (A) the Senate Committee on Energy and
13 Natural Resources; and

14 (B) the House Committee on Natural Re-
15 sources.

16 (2) FORCE AND EFFECT.—The map and legal
17 description filed under paragraph (1) shall have the
18 same force and effect as if included in this subtitle,
19 except that the Secretary may correct any clerical or
20 typographical errors in the map or legal description.

21 (3) PUBLIC AVAILABILITY.—The map and legal
22 description filed under paragraph (1) shall be on file
23 and available for public inspection in the Office of
24 the Secretary.

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