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To sustain the economic development and recreational use of National Forest System land and other public land in the State of Montana, to add certain land to the National Wilderness Preservation System, to release certain wilderness study areas, to designate new areas for recreation, and for other purposes.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

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Mr. TESTER (for himself, Mr. BAUCUS, and Mr. WALSH) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources

MAY 22, 2014

Reported by Ms. LANDRIEU, with an amendment

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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 “Forest Jobs and Recreation Act of 2013”.

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

Sec. 1. Short title; table of contents.

TITLE I—MONTANA FOREST JOBS AND RESTORATION INITIATIVE

Sec. 101. Purpose.

Sec. 102. Definitions.

Sec. 103. Montana Forest Jobs and Restoration Pilot Initiative.

Sec. 104. Authorized forest and watershed restoration projects.

Sec. 105. Miscellaneous.

**TITLE II—DESIGNATION OF WILDERNESS AND SPECIAL
 MANAGEMENT AREAS IN MONTANA**

Sec. 201. Purposes.

Sec. 202. Definitions.

Sec. 203. Designation of wilderness areas.

Sec. 204. Administration of wilderness areas.

Sec. 205. Release of Bureau of Land Management study areas.

Sec. 206. Release of Sapphire and West Pioneer Wilderness Study Areas.

Sec. 207. Special management and recreation management areas.

Sec. 208. All-terrain-vehicle study and report.

8 **TITLE I—MONTANA FOREST**
 9 **JOBS AND RESTORATION INI-**
 10 **TIATIVE**

11 **SEC. 101. PURPOSE.**

12 The purpose of this title is to establish an initiative—

13 (1) to preserve and create local jobs in rural
 14 communities that are located in or near National
 15 Forest System land;

1 (2) to create an immediate, predictable, and in-
2 creased flow of wood fiber with commercial value to
3 support and maintain locally based infrastructure
4 and economies that are necessary for the appro-
5 priate management and restoration of National For-
6 est System land;

7 (3) to promote cooperation and collaboration in
8 the management of National Forest System land;

9 (4) to restore and improve the ecological struc-
10 ture, composition, and function and the natural
11 processes of priority watersheds within the National
12 Forest System;

13 (5) to carry out collaborative projects to reduce
14 the risk of disturbances from fire, insects, and dis-
15 ease to communities, watersheds, and natural re-
16 sources through a collaborative process of planning,
17 prioritizing, and implementing ecological restoration
18 and hazardous fuel reduction projects; and

19 (6) to collect information from the projects car-
20 ried out under this title in an effort to better under-
21 stand the manner in which to improve forest restora-
22 tion and management activities.

23 **SEC. 102. DEFINITIONS.**

24 In this title:

1 (1) AUTHORIZED FOREST AND WATERSHED
2 RESTORATION PROJECT.—The term “authorized for-
3 est and watershed restoration project” means a col-
4 lection of activities within a watershed area that are
5 carried out—

6 (A) on eligible land; and

7 (B) to achieve the purposes of this title.

8 (2) DECOMMISSION.—The term “decommis-
9 sion” means—

10 (A) to reestablish vegetation on a road or
11 trail; and

12 (B) to restore any natural drainage, water-
13 shed function, or other ecological processes that
14 are disrupted or adversely impacted by the road
15 or trail by removing or hydrologically dis-
16 connecting the road prism.

17 (3) ELIGIBLE LAND.—The term “eligible land”
18 means—

19 (A) land within the approximately
20 1,900,000 acres of land in the Beaverhead-
21 Deerlodge National Forest designated as “Suit-
22 able for Timber Production” and “Timber Har-
23 vest Is Allowed” as generally depicted on the
24 map entitled “Beaverhead-Deerlodge National
25 Forest, Revised Forest Plan, Modeled Timber

1 Harvest Classification” and dated December
2 10, 2008; and

3 (B)(i) land within the Three Rivers Ranger
4 District of the Kootenai National Forest; and

5 (ii) any land within the adjacent ranger
6 districts of the Kootenai National Forest that is
7 necessary to achieve the requirements of section
8 103(b).

9 (4) INFISH.—The term “INFISH” means the
10 land and resource management plan amendments
11 made before the date of enactment of this Act aris-
12 ing from the document—

13 (A) entitled “Inland Native Fish Strat-
14 egy”;

15 (B) published by the Department of Agri-
16 culture; and

17 (C) dated July 28, 1995.

18 (5) INITIATIVE.—The term “Initiative” means
19 the Montana Forest Jobs and Restoration Pilot Ini-
20 tiative established by section 103(a).

21 (6) MECHANICAL TREATMENT.—

22 (A) IN GENERAL.—The term “mechanical
23 treatment” means an activity that uses a tool
24 to remove fiber that has commercial value to
25 local markets in the vicinity of the area treated.

1 (B) INCLUSIONS.—The term “mechanical
2 treatment” includes leaving fiber on the forest
3 floor after treatment with a tool, if an option
4 for removal of the fiber was provided.

5 (C) EXCLUSIONS.—The term “mechanical
6 treatment” excludes prescribed burning.

7 (7) SECRETARY.—The term “Secretary” means
8 the Secretary of Agriculture, acting through the
9 Chief of the Forest Service.

10 (8) STEWARDSHIP CONTRACT.—The term
11 “stewardship contract” means a contract authorized
12 under section 347 of the Omnibus Consolidated and
13 Emergency Supplemental Appropriations Act, 1999
14 (16 U.S.C. 2104 note; Public Law 105–277) to
15 carry out land management goals that meet local
16 and rural community needs through a source that is
17 selected on a best-value basis.

18 (9) WATERSHED AREA.—The term “watershed
19 area” means 1 or more subwatersheds (also known
20 as 6th code hydrologic units).

21 **SEC. 103. MONTANA FOREST JOBS AND RESTORATION**
22 **PILOT INITIATIVE.**

23 (a) ESTABLISHMENT.—There is established the Mon-
24 tana Forest Jobs and Restoration Pilot Initiative under
25 which the Secretary shall implement authorized forest and

1 watershed restoration projects and other land manage-
 2 ment projects on eligible land to achieve—

3 (1) the performance requirements under sub-
 4 section (b); and

5 (2) the purposes of this title.

6 (b) PERFORMANCE REQUIREMENTS.—Subject to
 7 subsection (g), on the eligible land, the Secretary shall
 8 place under contract for the mechanical treatment of vege-
 9 tation—

10 (1) on the Beaverhead-Deerlodge National For-
 11 est, a minimum of 5,000 acres annually until the
 12 date on which a total of 70,000 acres in the Na-
 13 tional Forest have been placed under contract; and

14 (2) on the Kootenai National Forest—

15 (A) 2,000 acres during the first year after
 16 the date of enactment of this Act;

17 (B) 2,500 acres during the second year
 18 after the date of enactment of this Act; and

19 (C) 3,000 acres during each subsequent
 20 year until the date on which a total of 30,000
 21 acres in the National Forest have been placed
 22 under contract.

23 (c) COLLABORATION.—

24 (1) IN GENERAL.—For each National Forest
 25 within the Initiative, the Secretary shall identify 1 or

1 more collaborative groups or resource advisory com-
2 mittees that support the achievement of the pur-
3 poses of this title.

4 (2) COMPOSITION.—A collaborative group or re-
5 source advisory committee identified under para-
6 graph (1) shall include multiple interested persons
7 representing diverse interests in forest and water-
8 shed management.

9 (3) CONSULTATION.—The Secretary shall con-
10 sult with a collaborative group or resource advisory
11 committee identified under paragraph (1) in the de-
12 velopment and implementation of each authorized
13 forest and watershed restoration project carried out
14 under the Initiative.

15 (4) EXPANSION.—The Secretary shall seek to
16 expand the public participation and diversity of in-
17 terests involved in the implementation of the Initia-
18 tive in each National Forest participating in the Ini-
19 tiative.

20 (d) ADMINISTRATIVE REVIEW.—

21 (1) IN GENERAL.—The administrative review
22 provisions of section 105 of the Healthy Forests
23 Restoration Act of 2003 (16 U.S.C. 6515) shall
24 apply to any administrative review of authorized for-

1 est and watershed restoration projects carried out
2 under this title.

3 (2) PROPOSED DECISION.—The Secretary shall
4 provide notice of, and distribute, a proposed admin-
5 istrative decision with the environmental assessment
6 or final environmental impact statement for any
7 project subject to review under paragraph (1).

8 (3) INDEPENDENT MEDIATOR.—If 1 or more of
9 the parties to a special administrative review process
10 under paragraph (1) requests a mediator to help fa-
11 cilitate the process, an independent mediator may be
12 used for the administrative review process.

13 (e) JUDICIAL REVIEW.—Any judicial proceeding aris-
14 ing from an authorized forest and watershed restoration
15 project shall be conducted in accordance with section 106
16 of the Healthy Forests Restoration Act of 2003 (16
17 U.S.C. 6516).

18 (f) REPORTS.—

19 (1) ANNUAL SUMMARY.—The Secretary shall
20 provide to the appropriate committees of Congress
21 an annual summary of the progress of the Initiative
22 toward accomplishing the purposes of this title, in-
23 cluding the performance requirements established
24 under subsection (b).

25 (2) PROGRESS REPORT.—

1 (A) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 5 years
2 after the date of enactment of this Act and
3 every 5 years thereafter, the Secretary shall
4 submit to the appropriate committees of Con-
5 gress a report that assesses the progress of the
6 Initiative toward accomplishing the purposes of
7 this title.

8 (B) INCLUSIONS.—The report under sub-
9 paragraph (A) shall include an analysis, with
10 respect to the Initiative, of—

11 (i) fire and fuel dynamics, including
12 changes in—

13 (I) condition and class; and

14 (II) fuel levels and distribution;

15 (ii) biodiversity, including the selec-
16 tion of plant, terrestrial animals, and
17 aquatic organisms;

18 (iii) soil and water, including soil
19 movement, water quality, stream flows,
20 and soil productivity;

21 (iv) economic effects, including job
22 creation, labor income, and energy; and

23 (v) social implications, including land
24 management practices, aesthetics, and atti-
25 tudes towards land use.

1 (C) DATA ANALYSIS.—In preparing the re-
2 port under this paragraph, the Secretary may
3 consult with regional institutions of higher edu-
4 cation and institutions with the capacity to co-
5 ordinate, analyze, and archive the data collected
6 as a result of monitoring under the Initiative.

7 (g) EFFECT ON OTHER FUNDS.—Amounts expended
8 under the Initiative shall not reduce the allocations of ap-
9 propriated funds to the Secretary for use in other regions
10 of the Forest Service or other States.

11 (h) EXPANSION OF INITIATIVE.—

12 (1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary may elect to
13 include the Seeley Ranger District of the Lolo Na-
14 tional Forest in the Initiative, if—

15 (A) the Seeley Ranger District no longer
16 receives funding under section 4003(b)(1)(B) of
17 the Omnibus Public Land Management Act of
18 2009 (16 U.S.C. 7303(b)(1)(B)); and

19 (B) a local collaborative group for the Dis-
20 trict requests inclusion in the Initiative.

21 (2) REQUIREMENTS.—On the election by the
22 Secretary to include the Seeley Ranger District in
23 the Initiative, the requirements of the Initiative
24 under this title shall apply to the District.

25 (i) TERMINATION DATE.—

1 (1) IN GENERAL.—The Initiative shall termi-
2 nate on the later of—

3 (A) the date that is 15 years after the date
4 of enactment of this Act; or

5 (B) the date on which the Secretary deter-
6 mines that the performance requirements under
7 subsection (b) have been achieved.

8 (2) EFFECT.—Nothing in this subsection af-
9 fects a valid contract in effect on the termination
10 date under paragraph (1).

11 **SEC. 104. AUTHORIZED FOREST AND WATERSHED RES-**
12 **TORATION PROJECTS.**

13 (a) IMPLEMENTATION.—

14 (1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary shall annually
15 implement 1 or more authorized forest and water-
16 shed restoration projects on the eligible land.

17 (2) LANDSCAPE-SCALE PROJECTS.—The See-
18 retary shall implement in 1 or more watershed areas
19 authorized forest and watershed restoration projects
20 that provide landscape-scale work with the goal of
21 minimizing entries into the watershed.

22 (3) STEWARDSHIP CONTRACTS.—

23 (A) IN GENERAL.—To the maximum ex-
24 tent practicable, the Secretary shall enter into
25 stewardship contracts or agreements to carry

1 out authorized forest and watershed restoration
2 projects:

3 (B) STEWARDSHIP CONTRACT PRIOR-
4 ITIES.—In developing a stewardship contract
5 under subparagraph (A), the Secretary shall,
6 after consultation with the relevant collabo-
7 rative groups or resource advisory committees
8 identified under section 103(e)(1), prioritize
9 areas consistent with the priorities described in
10 paragraph (4).

11 (4) PRIORITY.—Consistent with the purposes of
12 this title, the Secretary shall give priority to carrying
13 out authorized forest and watershed restoration
14 projects in areas—

15 (A) in which the road density exceeds 1.5
16 miles per square mile;

17 (B) in the wildland-urban interface (as de-
18 fined in section 101 of the Healthy Forests
19 Restoration Act of 2003 (16 U.S.C. 6511)) that
20 are at risk of wildfire that threatens public in-
21 frastructure or private property;

22 (C) in which fish and wildlife habitat
23 connectivity is compromised as a result of past
24 management practices; and

1 ~~(D)~~ that contain forests that are at risk
2 from insect epidemics or high-severity wildfires.

3 ~~(5)~~ ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW.—An environ-
4 mental review of authorized forest and watershed
5 restoration projects shall be carried out in accord-
6 ance with section 104 of the Healthy Forests Res-
7 toration Act of 2003 (16 U.S.C. 6515), except
8 that—

9 ~~(A)~~ the review shall also address—

10 (i) the activities necessary to meet the
11 purposes and requirements of this title;
12 and

13 (ii) the site-specific impacts of an au-
14 thorized forest and watershed restoration
15 project;

16 ~~(B)~~ on signing of a record of decision or
17 finding of no significant impact for the author-
18 ized forest and watershed restoration project,
19 the Secretary shall implement the authorized
20 forest and watershed restoration project; and

21 ~~(C)~~ if the Secretary or a court determines
22 that additional review is warranted due to sig-
23 nificant new circumstances after implementa-
24 tion of an authorized forest and watershed res-
25 toration project has begun; the additional anal-

1 ysis shall not interrupt the implementation of
2 the activities that are not subject to the addi-
3 tional review, in accordance with the National
4 Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (42 U.S.C.
5 4321 et seq.).

6 (b) PROJECT REQUIREMENTS.—

7 (1) RIPARIAN HABITAT PROTECTION.—

8 (A) IN GENERAL.—Except as provided in
9 subparagraph (B), the Secretary shall comply
10 with INFISH in carrying out each authorized
11 forest and watershed restoration project.

12 (B) MODIFICATIONS.—The Secretary may
13 modify INFISH if the Secretary determines,
14 after taking into consideration the best avail-
15 able science, that the modifications would meet
16 or exceed the intent and goals of INFISH.

17 (2) ROADS.—In carrying out any authorized
18 forest and watershed restoration project under this
19 title, the Secretary shall—

20 (A) not construct any permanent road, un-
21 less—

22 (i) the Secretary determines that the
23 road is a justifiable realignment of a per-
24 manent road to restore or improve the eco-
25 logical structure, composition, and function

1 and the natural processes of the affected
2 forest or watershed; and

3 (ii) the replaced road bed is decom-
4 missioned by removing the road prism; and

5 (B) decommission any temporary road con-
6 structed to carry out the land management
7 project by the conclusion of the contract.

8 (3) ROAD DENSITY.—

9 (A) IN GENERAL.—Except as provided in
10 subparagraph (B), the Secretary, at the conclu-
11 sion of an authorized forest and watershed res-
12 toration project, shall achieve a road density
13 maximum of 1.5 linear miles per square mile,
14 averaged over the watershed area.

15 (B) EXCEPTIONS.—Notwithstanding sub-
16 paragraph (A), the maximum road density pro-
17 vided in an applicable land management plan
18 shall apply if—

19 (i) the applicable land management
20 plan requires a road density maximum that
21 is less than that required under subpara-
22 graph (A); or

23 (ii) the authorized forest and water-
24 shed restoration project is carried out in

1 an area governed by an interagency grizzly
2 bear conservation plan.

3 (C) **APPLICABLE LAW.**—For purposes of
4 determining compliance with the maximum road
5 density under subparagraph (A), the Secretary
6 shall use the definitions of the terms “National
7 Forest System road” and “unauthorized road
8 or trail” provided in section 212.1 of title 36,
9 Code of Federal Regulations (or a successor
10 regulation).

11 (D) **METHOD.**—The road density estab-
12 lished under subparagraph (A) may be accom-
13 plished through a combination of decommis-
14 sioning and year-round permanent closure, ex-
15 cept that the Secretary shall prioritize for de-
16 commissioning any roads adversely affecting
17 water quality or fish habitat.

18 (4) **VEGETATION MANAGEMENT.**—The Sec-
19 retary shall design authorized forest and watershed
20 restoration projects to produce commercial and non-
21 commercial wood products, consistent with the pur-
22 poses of this title.

23 **SEC. 105. MISCELLANEOUS.**

24 (a) **IN GENERAL.**—Except as otherwise provided in
25 this title, the Secretary shall administer the National For-

1 ests subject to the Initiative in accordance with applicable
2 law.

3 (b) AGENCY PARTICIPATION.—The Secretary may, in
4 accordance with applicable law, permit a Field Manager
5 from each applicable Bureau of Land Management office,
6 the Seeley Lake District Ranger of the Lolo National For-
7 est, and the Lincoln District Ranger of the Helena Na-
8 tional Forest to serve on the Board of Directors of the
9 Blackfoot Challenge in the official capacities of the Bu-
10 reau of Land Management and the districts, respectively.

11 (c) BIOMASS.—To help improve forest restoration ac-
12 tivities by using and creating markets for small-diameter
13 material and low-valued trees removed from forest restora-
14 tion activities in the State, the Secretary may provide
15 grants through the Woody Biomass Utilization Grant Pro-
16 gram or any other biomass program in accordance with
17 applicable law.

18 **TITLE II—DESIGNATION OF WIL-**
19 **DERNESS AND SPECIAL MAN-**
20 **AGEMENT AREAS IN MON-**
21 **TANA**

22 **SEC. 201. PURPOSES.**

23 The purposes of this title are—

24 (1) to protect and enhance motorized rec-
25 reational opportunities in the Beaverhead-Deerlodge

1 National Forest, the Lolo National Forest, and the
 2 Kootenai National Forest; and

3 ~~(2)~~ to protect and enhance the wild heritage
 4 and backcountry traditions of the State through—

5 (A) the addition of certain land to the Na-
 6 tional Wilderness Preservation System; and

7 ~~(B)~~ the management of other land in a
 8 manner that preserves existing primitive and
 9 semi-primitive recreational activities.

10 **SEC. 202. DEFINITIONS.**

11 In this title:

12 ~~(1) BEAVERHEAD-DEERLODGE NATIONAL FOR-~~
 13 ~~EST.—The term “Beaverhead-Deerlodge National~~
 14 ~~Forest” means the National Forest that is—~~

15 ~~(A) comprised of—~~

16 ~~(i) the Beaverhead National Forest;~~

17 ~~and~~

18 ~~(ii) the Deerlodge National Forest;~~

19 ~~and~~

20 ~~(B) managed by the Secretary concerned~~
 21 ~~as a single administrative unit.~~

22 ~~(2) DESIGNATED ROAD, TRAIL, OR AREA.—The~~
 23 ~~term “designated road, trail, or area” has the mean-~~
 24 ~~ing given the term in section 212.1 of title 36, Code~~
 25 ~~of Federal Regulations (or a successor regulation).~~

1 (3) FOREST PLAN.—The term “forest plan”
 2 means a land and resource management plan pre-
 3 pared in accordance with section 6 of the Forest and
 4 Rangeland Renewable Resources Planning Act of
 5 1974 (16 U.S.C. 1604).

6 (4) SECRETARY CONCERNED.—The term “Sec-
 7 retary concerned” means—

8 (A) the Secretary of Agriculture, acting
 9 through the Chief of the Forest Service, with
 10 respect to National Forest System land; and

11 (B) the Secretary of the Interior, with re-
 12 spect to land managed by the Bureau of Land
 13 Management (including land held for the ben-
 14 efit of an Indian tribe).

15 (5) STATE.—The term “State” means the State
 16 of Montana.

17 **SEC. 203. DESIGNATION OF WILDERNESS AREAS.**

18 (a) LAND ADMINISTERED BY THE FOREST SERV-
 19 ICE.—In furtherance of the purposes of the Wilderness
 20 Act (16 U.S.C. 1131 et seq.), the following areas in the
 21 State are designated as wilderness areas and as compo-
 22 nents of the National Wilderness Preservation System:

23 (1) ANACONDA PINTLAR WILDERNESS ADDI-
 24 TIONS.—Certain land in the Beaverhead-Deerlodge
 25 National Forest, comprising approximately 65,407

1 acres, as generally depicted on the map entitled
2 “Anaconda-Pintlar Wilderness Additions” and dated
3 September 13, 2010, is incorporated in, and shall be
4 considered to be a part of, the Anaconda-Pintlar
5 Wilderness.

6 ~~(2) BOB MARSHALL WILDERNESS ADDITIONS.—~~

7 Certain land in the Lolo National Forest, comprising
8 approximately 40,072 acres generally depicted as the
9 “North Fork Blackfoot-Monture Creek Wilderness
10 Addition (Bob Marshall Addition)” and approxi-
11 mately 7,792 acres generally depicted as the “Griz-
12 zly Basin of the Swan Range Wilderness Addition”
13 on the map entitled “Bob Marshall, Mission Moun-
14 tains and Scapegoat Wilderness Additions and
15 Otatsy Recreation Management Area” and dated
16 September 13, 2010, is incorporated in, and shall be
17 considered to be a part of, the Bob Marshall Wilder-
18 ness.

19 ~~(3) DOLUS LAKES WILDERNESS.—~~Certain land

20 in the Beaverhead-Deerlodge National Forest, com-
21 prising approximately 9,407 acres, as generally de-
22 picted on the map entitled “Dolus Lakes Wilder-
23 ness” and dated September 13, 2010, which shall be
24 known as the “Dolus Lakes Wilderness”.

1 (4) EAST PIONEERS WILDERNESS.—Certain
2 land in the Beaverhead-Deerlodge National Forest,
3 comprising approximately 77,438 acres, as generally
4 depicted on the map entitled “East Pioneers Wilder-
5 ness” and dated September 13, 2010, which shall be
6 known as the “East Pioneers Wilderness”.

7 (5) ELECTRIC PEAK WILDERNESS.—Certain
8 land in the Beaverhead-Deerlodge National Forest,
9 comprising approximately 5,670 acres, as generally
10 depicted on the map entitled “Electric Peak Wilder-
11 ness and Thunderbolt Creek Recreation Manage-
12 ment Area” and dated September 13, 2010, which
13 shall be known as the “Electric Peak Wilderness”.

14 (6) HIGHLANDS WILDERNESS.—Certain land in
15 the Beaverhead-Deerlodge National Forest, com-
16 prising approximately 15,659 acres, as generally de-
17 picted on the map entitled “Highlands Wilderness
18 Area and Special Management Area” and dated
19 September 13, 2010, which shall be known as the
20 “Highlands Wilderness”.

21 (7) ITALIAN PEAKS WILDERNESS.—Certain
22 land in the Beaverhead-Deerlodge National Forest,
23 comprising approximately 29,677 acres, as generally
24 depicted on the map entitled “Italian Peaks Wilder-

1 ness” and dated September 13, 2010, which shall be
2 known as the “Italian Peaks Wilderness”.

3 (8) LEE METCALF WILDERNESS ADDITIONS.—

4 Certain land in the Beaverhead-Deerlodge National
5 Forest, comprising approximately 17,201 acres, as
6 generally depicted on the map entitled “Lee Metcalf
7 Wilderness Additions” and dated September 13,
8 2010, is incorporated in, and shall be considered to
9 be a part of, the Lee Metcalf Wilderness.

10 (9) LIMA PEAKS WILDERNESS.—Certain land in

11 the Beaverhead-Deerlodge National Forest, com-
12 prising approximately 35,012 acres, as generally de-
13 picted on the map entitled “Lima Peaks Wilderness”
14 and dated September 13, 2010, which shall be
15 known as the “Lima Peaks Wilderness”.

16 (10) MISSION MOUNTAINS WILDERNESS ADDI-

17 TION.—Certain land in the Lolo National Forest,
18 which comprises approximately 4,460 acres, as gen-
19 erally depicted as the “West Fork Clearwater Wil-
20 derness Addition” on the map entitled “Bob Mar-
21 shall, Mission Mountains and Scapegoat Wilderness
22 Additions and Otatsy Recreation Management Area”
23 and dated September 13, 2010, is incorporated in,
24 and shall be considered to be a part of, the Mission

1 Mountains Wilderness designated by Public Law 93-
2 632 (88 Stat. 2153).

3 (11) MOUNT JEFFERSON WILDERNESS.—Cer-
4 tain land in the Beaverhead-Deerlodge National For-
5 est, comprising approximately 4,469 acres, as gen-
6 erally depicted on the map entitled “Mount Jeffer-
7 son Wilderness” and dated September 13, 2010,
8 which shall be known as the “Mount Jefferson Wil-
9 derness”.

10 (12) QUIGG PEAK WILDERNESS.—Certain land
11 in the Beaverhead-Deerlodge National Forest, com-
12 prising approximately 8,275 acres, as generally de-
13 picted on the map entitled “Quigg Peak Wilderness”
14 and dated September 13, 2010, which shall be
15 known as the “Quigg Peak Wilderness”.

16 (13) RODERICK WILDERNESS.—Certain land in
17 the Kootenai National Forest, which comprises ap-
18 proximately 29,467 acres, as generally depicted as
19 the “Roderick Wilderness Area” on the map entitled
20 “Roderick Wilderness and Special Management Area
21 and Three Rivers Special Management Area” and
22 dated September 13, 2010, which shall be known as
23 the “Roderick Wilderness”.

24 (14) SAPPHIRES WILDERNESS.—Certain land in
25 the Beaverhead-Deerlodge National Forest, com-

1 prising approximately 43,101 acres, as generally de-
2 picted on the map entitled “Sapphires Wilderness”
3 and dated September 13, 2010, which shall be
4 known as the “Sapphires Wilderness”.

5 (15) SCAPEGOAT WILDERNESS ADDITIONS.—
6 Certain land in the Lolo National Forest, which
7 comprises approximately 30,967 acres, as generally
8 depicted as the “North Fork Blackfoot-Monture
9 Creek Wilderness Addition (Scapegoat Addition)” on
10 the map entitled “Bob Marshall, Mission Mountains
11 and Scapegoat Wilderness Additions and Otatsy
12 Recreation Management Area” and dated September
13 13, 2010, is incorporated in, and shall be considered
14 to be a part of, the Scapegoat Wilderness designated
15 by Public Law 92-395 (86 Stat. 578).

16 (16) SNOWCREST WILDERNESS.—Certain land
17 in the Beaverhead-Deerlodge National Forest, com-
18 prising approximately 91,561 acres, as generally de-
19 picted on the map entitled “Snowcrest Wilderness”
20 and dated September 13, 2010, which shall be
21 known as the “Snowcrest Wilderness”.

22 (17) STONY MOUNTAIN WILDERNESS.—Certain
23 land in the Beaverhead-Deerlodge National Forest,
24 comprising approximately 14,213 acres, as generally
25 depicted on the map entitled “Stony Mountain Wil-

1 derness” and dated September 13, 2010, which shall
2 be known as the “Stony Mountain Wilderness”.

3 (18) WEST BIG HOLE WILDERNESS.—Certain
4 land in the Beaverhead-Deerlodge National Forest,
5 comprising approximately 44,156 acres, as generally
6 depicted on the map entitled “West Big Hole Wil-
7 derness and Recreation Management Area” and
8 dated September 13, 2010, which shall be known as
9 the “West Big Hole Wilderness”.

10 (19) WEST PIONEERS WILDERNESS.—Certain
11 land in the Beaverhead-Deerlodge National Forest,
12 comprising approximately 26,560 acres, as generally
13 depicted on the map entitled “West Pioneers Wilder-
14 ness and Recreation Management Area” and dated
15 September 13, 2010, which shall be known as the
16 “West Pioneers Wilderness”.

17 (b) LAND ADMINISTERED BY THE BUREAU OF LAND
18 MANAGEMENT.—In furtherance of the purposes of the
19 Wilderness Act (16 U.S.C. 1131 et seq.), the following
20 areas in the State are designated as wilderness areas and
21 as components of the National Wilderness Preservation
22 System:

23 (1) BLACKTAIL MOUNTAINS WILDERNESS.—
24 Certain public land administered by the Bureau of
25 Land Management, comprising approximately

1 10,675 acres, as generally depicted on the map enti-
2 tled “Blacktail Mountains Wilderness” and dated
3 July 27, 2010, which shall be known as the
4 “Blacktail Mountains Wilderness”.

5 (2) CENTENNIAL MOUNTAINS WILDERNESS.—

6 Certain public land administered by the Bureau of
7 Land Management, comprising approximately
8 23,700 acres, as generally depicted on the map enti-
9 tled “Centennial Mountains Wilderness” and dated
10 June 1, 2012, which shall be known as the “Centen-
11 nial Mountains Wilderness”.

12 (3) RUBY MOUNTAINS WILDERNESS.—

13 Certain public land administered by the Bureau of Land
14 Management, comprising approximately 16,300
15 acres, as generally depicted on the map entitled
16 “Ruby Mountains Wilderness” and dated July 27,
17 2010, which shall be known as the “Ruby Mountains
18 Wilderness”.

19 (4) EAST FORK BLACKTAIL WILDERNESS.—

20 Certain public land administered by the Bureau of Land
21 Management, comprising approximately 6,125 acres,
22 as generally depicted on the map entitled “East
23 Fork Blacktail Wilderness” and dated July 27,
24 2010, which shall be known as the “East Fork
25 Blacktail Wilderness”.

1 (5) HUMBUG SPIRES WILDERNESS.—Certain
 2 public land administered by the Bureau of Land
 3 Management, comprising approximately 8,900 acres,
 4 as generally depicted on the map entitled “Humbug
 5 Spires Wilderness” and dated July 27, 2010, which
 6 shall be known as the “Humbug Spires Wilderness”.

7 (e) TRANSFER OF ADMINISTRATIVE JURISDIC-
 8 TION.—Administrative jurisdiction over certain public
 9 land administered by the Bureau of Land Management,
 10 comprising approximately 663 acres, as generally known
 11 as “Farlin Creek Administrative Transfer” depicted on
 12 the map entitled “East Pioneers Wilderness” and dated
 13 September 13, 2010, is transferred to the Secretary of Ag-
 14 riculture, and is incorporated in, and shall be considered
 15 to be a part of, the East Pioneers Wilderness designated
 16 by subsection (a)(4).

17 **SEC. 204. ADMINISTRATION OF WILDERNESS AREAS.**

18 (a) MANAGEMENT.—Subject to valid existing rights,
 19 each area designated as wilderness by section 203 shall
 20 be administered by the Secretary concerned in accordance
 21 with the Wilderness Act (16 U.S.C. 1131 et seq.), except
 22 that—

23 (1) any reference in that Act to the effective
 24 date shall be considered to be a reference to the date
 25 of enactment of this Act; and

1 (2) with respect to public land administered by
2 the Bureau of Land Management, any reference in
3 that Act to the Secretary of Agriculture shall be con-
4 sidered to be a reference to the Secretary of the In-
5 terior.

6 (b) MAPS AND LEGAL DESCRIPTIONS.—

7 (1) IN GENERAL.—As soon as practicable after
8 the date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary con-
9 cerned shall file a map and a legal description of
10 each wilderness area and potential wilderness area
11 designated by this section, with—

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

14 (B) the Committee on Natural Resources
15 of the House of Representatives.

16 (2) FORCE OF LAW.—The maps and legal de-
17 scriptions filed under paragraph (1) shall have the
18 same force and effect as if included in this title, ex-
19 cept that the Secretary concerned may correct typo-
20 graphical errors in the maps and legal descriptions.

21 (3) PUBLIC AVAILABILITY.—Each map and
22 legal description filed under paragraph (1) shall be
23 on file and available for public inspection in the ap-
24 propriate offices of the Forest Service and the Bu-
25 reau of Land Management.

1 (c) INCORPORATION OF ACQUIRED LAND AND INTER-
2 ESTS.—Any land within the boundary of a wilderness area
3 designated by section 203 that is acquired by the United
4 States shall—

5 (1) become part of the wilderness area in which
6 the land is located; and

7 (2) be managed in accordance with this section,
8 the Wilderness Act (16 U.S.C. 1131 et seq.), and
9 any other applicable law.

10 (d) WITHDRAWAL.—Subject to valid existing rights,
11 the Federal land designated as wilderness by section 203
12 is withdrawn from all forms of—

13 (1) entry, appropriation, or disposal under the
14 public land laws;

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

17 (3) disposition under all laws pertaining to min-
18 eral and geothermal leasing or mineral materials.

19 (e) FIRE, INSECTS, AND DISEASES.—In accordance
20 with section 4(d)(1) of the Wilderness Act (16 U.S.C.
21 1133(d)(1)), within the wilderness areas designated by
22 section 203, the Secretary concerned may take such meas-
23 ures as are necessary to control fire, insects, and diseases,
24 subject to such terms and conditions as the Secretary con-
25 cerned determines to be appropriate.

1 (f) ACCESS TO PRIVATE LAND.—In accordance with
 2 section 5(a) of the Wilderness Act (16 U.S.C. 1134(a)),
 3 the Secretary concerned shall provide any owner of private
 4 land within the boundary of a wilderness area designated
 5 by section 203 adequate access to the private land.

6 (g) FISH AND WILDLIFE.—

7 (1) IN GENERAL.—Nothing in this title affects
 8 the jurisdiction or responsibilities of the State with
 9 respect to fish and wildlife, including the regulation
 10 of hunting, fishing, and trapping.

11 (2) MANAGEMENT ACTIVITIES.—In furtherance
 12 of the purposes and principles of the Wilderness Act
 13 (16 U.S.C. 1131 et seq.), the Secretary concerned
 14 may carry out management activities to maintain or
 15 restore fish and wildlife populations (including ac-
 16 tivities to maintain and restore fish and wildlife
 17 habitats to support the populations) in a wilderness
 18 area designated by section 203 if the activities are—

19 (A) consistent with applicable wilderness
 20 management plans; and

21 (B) carried out in accordance with applica-
 22 ble guidelines and policies.

23 (h) SNOW SENSORS AND STREAM GAUGES.—Nothing
 24 in this title prevents the installation or maintenance of
 25 hydrological, meteorological, or climatological instrumen-

1 tation in a wilderness area designated by section 203 if
 2 the Secretary concerned determines that the installation
 3 or maintenance of the instrumentation is necessary to fur-
 4 ther the scientific, educational, or conservation purposes
 5 of the wilderness area.

6 (i) LIVESTOCK.—Within the wilderness areas, the
 7 grazing of livestock in which grazing is established before
 8 the date of enactment of this Act shall be allowed to con-
 9 tinue, subject to such reasonable regulations, policies, and
 10 practices as the Secretary concerned determines to be nec-
 11 essary, in accordance with—

12 (1) section 4(d)(4) of the Wilderness Act (16
 13 U.S.C. 1131(d)(4));

14 (2) with respect to wilderness areas adminis-
 15 tered by the Secretary of Agriculture, the guidelines
 16 described in House Report 96-617 of the 96th Con-
 17 gress; and

18 (3) with respect to wilderness areas adminis-
 19 tered by the Secretary of the Interior, the guidelines
 20 described in Appendix A of House Report 101-405
 21 of the 101st Congress.

22 (j) OUTFITTING AND GUIDE ACTIVITIES.—

23 (1) IN GENERAL.—In accordance with section
 24 4(d)(5) of the Wilderness Act (16 U.S.C.
 25 1133(d)(5)), commercial services (including author-

1 ized outfitting and guide activities) within the wil-
 2 derness areas designated by section 203 may be per-
 3 formed to the extent necessary for activities that are
 4 proper for realizing the recreational or other wilder-
 5 ness purposes of the wilderness areas.

6 (2) EFFECT.—Nothing in this title requires the
 7 Secretary concerned to modify permits in effect as of
 8 the date of enactment of this Act to provide outfit-
 9 ting and guide services within the areas designated
 10 as wilderness by section 203, if the Secretary con-
 11 cerned determines that the activities are in compli-
 12 ance with section 4(d)(5) of the Wilderness Act (16
 13 U.S.C. 1133(d)(5)).

14 (k) ADJACENT MANAGEMENT.—

15 (1) IN GENERAL.—The designation of a wilder-
 16 ness area by section 203 shall not create any protec-
 17 tive perimeter or buffer zone around the wilderness
 18 area.

19 (2) NONWILDERNESS ACTIVITIES.—The fact
 20 that nonwilderness activities or uses can be seen or
 21 heard from areas within a wilderness area des-
 22 ignated by section 203 shall not preclude the con-
 23 duct of the activities or uses outside the boundary
 24 of the wilderness area.

25 (l) WATER IMPOUNDMENT STRUCTURES.—

1 (1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary concerned
2 may issue a special use authorization to an owner of
3 a water storage, transport, or diversion facility lo-
4 cated within the areas designated as wilderness by
5 section 203 for the continued operation, mainte-
6 nance, and reconstruction of the facility if—

7 (A) the facility was in existence before the
8 date of the designation of the wilderness area;
9 and

10 (B) the Secretary concerned determines
11 that—

12 (i) the facility has been in substan-
13 tially continuous use to deliver water for
14 the beneficial use on the non-Federal land
15 of the owner since the date of the designa-
16 tion of the wilderness area;

17 (ii) the owner of the facility holds a
18 valid water right for use of the water
19 under State law, with a priority date that
20 predates the date of the designation of the
21 wilderness area; and

22 (iii) it is not practicable or feasible to
23 relocate the facility to land outside the
24 boundary of the wilderness and continue

1 the beneficial use of water on the non-Fed-
2 eral land recognized under State law.

3 ~~(2) USE OF MOTORIZED EQUIPMENT AND~~
4 ~~MECHANIZED TRANSPORT.~~—The special use author-
5 ization under paragraph (1) may allow for the use
6 of motorized equipment and mechanized transport if
7 the Secretary concerned determines, after con-
8 ducting a minimum tool analysis, that the use of
9 nonmotorized equipment and nonmechanized trans-
10 port is impracticable or infeasible.

11 ~~(3) TERMS AND CONDITIONS.~~—The Secretary
12 concerned may include such terms and conditions in
13 the special use authorization under paragraph (1) as
14 the Secretary concerned determines appropriate to
15 protect the wilderness values of the area.

16 ~~(m) SNOWCREST WILDERNESS AREA.~~—With respect
17 to the Snowcrest Wilderness Area—

18 ~~(1) the continuation of reasonable motorized ac-~~
19 ~~cess to maintain water infrastructure for cattle that~~
20 ~~was constructed to protect fluvial Arctic Grayling~~
21 ~~and other aquatic species in the Ruby River may~~
22 ~~continue—~~

23 ~~(A) subject to a permit; and~~

24 ~~(B) in accordance with—~~

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

3 (ii) the guidelines described in House
4 Report 96-617 of the 96th Congress; and

5 (2) the trailing of sheep across the Snowcrest
6 Wilderness area to reach existing grazing allotments
7 in the Gravelly Mountains may be continued for the
8 tenure of the allotments—

9 (A) subject to—

10 (i) a permit; and

11 (ii) a determination by the Secretary
12 of Agriculture (acting through the Forest
13 Supervisor) that the use of nonmechanized
14 transport is impracticable or infeasible;
15 and

16 (B) to the maximum extent practicable, in
17 accordance with the guidelines described in
18 House Report 96-617 of the 96th Congress.

19 **SEC. 205. RELEASE OF BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT**
20 **STUDY AREAS.**

21 (a) FINDING.—Congress finds that, for purposes of
22 section 603 of the Federal Land Policy and Management
23 Act of 1976 (43 U.S.C. 1782), any portion of a wilderness
24 study area described in subsection (b) that is not des-
25 ignated as a wilderness area by section 203 or any other

1 Act enacted before the date of enactment of this Act has
2 been adequately studied for wilderness.

3 (b) DESCRIPTION OF STUDY AREAS.—The study
4 areas referred to in subsection (a) are—

5 (1) the Axolotl Lakes Wilderness Study Area;

6 (2) the Bell and Limekiln Canyons Wilderness
7 Study Area;

8 (3) the Blacktail Mountains Wilderness Study
9 Area;

10 (4) the Centennial Mountains Wilderness Study
11 Area;

12 (5) the Farlin Creek Wilderness Study Area;

13 (6) the Henneberry Ridge Wilderness Study
14 Area;

15 (7) the Hidden Pasture Wilderness Study Area;

16 (8) the Humbug Spires Wilderness Study Area;

17 and

18 (9) the Ruby Mountains Wilderness Study
19 Area.

20 (c) RELEASE.—Any study area described in sub-
21 section (b) that is not designated as a wilderness area by
22 section 203—

23 (1) is no longer subject to section 603(e) of the
24 Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976
25 (43 U.S.C. 1782(e)); and

1 (2) shall be managed in accordance with the ap-
2 plicable land management plans adopted under sec-
3 tion 202 of that Act (43 U.S.C. 1712).

4 **SEC. 206. RELEASE OF SAPPHIRE AND WEST PIONEER WIL-**
5 **DERNESS STUDY AREAS.**

6 (a) FINDINGS.—Congress finds that—

7 (1) the studies conducted under section 2 of the
8 Montana Wilderness Study Act of 1977 (Public Law
9 95–150; 91 Stat. 1243) regarding each study area
10 described in subsection (b) are adequate for the con-
11 sideration of the suitability of each study area for
12 inclusion as a component of the National Wilderness
13 Preservation System; and

14 (2) the Secretary of Agriculture is not re-
15 quired—

16 (A) to review the wilderness option for
17 each study area described in subsection (b)
18 prior to the revision of the forest plan required
19 for each land that comprises each study area in
20 accordance with the Forest and Rangeland Re-
21 newable Resources Planning Act of 1974 (16
22 U.S.C. 1600 et seq.); and

23 (B) to manage the portion of each study
24 area described in subsection (b) that is not des-
25 ignated as wilderness by section 203 to ensure

1 the suitability of the area for designation as a
 2 component of the National Wilderness Preser-
 3 vation System pending revision of the applicable
 4 forest plan.

5 (b) DESCRIPTION OF STUDY AREAS.—The study
 6 areas referred to in subsection (a) are those portions of
 7 the following wilderness study areas which are not des-
 8 ignated as wilderness by section 203:

9 (1) The portion of the Sapphire Wilderness
 10 Study Area that is located on the Beaverhead-
 11 Deerlodge National Forest, as described in section
 12 2(4) of the Montana Wilderness Study Act of 1977
 13 (Public Law 95-150; 91 Stat. 1243).

14 (2) The West Pioneer Wilderness Study Area,
 15 as described in section 2(1) of the Montana Wilder-
 16 ness Study Act of 1977 (Public Law 95-150; 91
 17 Stat. 1243).

18 **SEC. 207. SPECIAL MANAGEMENT AND RECREATION MAN-**
 19 **AGEMENT AREAS.**

20 (a) DESIGNATION.—To conserve, protect, and en-
 21 hance the scenic, fish and wildlife, recreational,
 22 backcountry heritage, and other natural resource values
 23 of the areas, the following areas in the State are des-
 24 ignated for special management by the Secretary con-
 25 cerned in accordance with this section:

1 (1) HIGHLANDS SPECIAL MANAGEMENT
2 AREA.—Certain Federal land in the Beaverhead-
3 Deerlodge National Forest, comprising approxi-
4 mately 5,011 acres, as generally depicted on the
5 map entitled “Highlands Wilderness Area and Spe-
6 cial Management Area” and dated September 13,
7 2010, which is designated as the “Highlands Special
8 Management Area”.

9 (2) LOST CREEK RECREATION MANAGEMENT
10 AREA.—Certain Federal land in the Beaverhead-
11 Deerlodge National Forest, comprising approxi-
12 mately 14,589 acres, as generally depicted on the
13 map entitled “Lost Creek Recreation Management
14 Area” and dated September 13, 2010, which is des-
15 ignated as the “Lost Creek Recreation Management
16 Area”.

17 (3) OTATSY RECREATION MANAGEMENT
18 AREA.—Certain Federal land in the Lolo National
19 Forest, comprising approximately 1,859 acres, as
20 generally depicted on the map entitled “Bob Mar-
21 shall, Mission Mountains and Scapegoat Wilderness
22 Additions and Otatsy Recreation Management Area”
23 and dated September 13, 2010, which is designat-
24 ed as the “Otatsy Recreation Management Area”.

1 (4) **RODERICK SPECIAL MANAGEMENT AREA.**—
2 Certain Federal land in the Kootenai National For-
3 est, comprising approximately 3,715 acres, as gen-
4 erally depicted on the map entitled “Roderick Wil-
5 derness and Special Management Area and Three
6 Rivers Special Management Area” and dated Sep-
7 tember 13, 2010, which is designated as the “Rod-
8 erick Special Management Area”.

9 (5) **THREE RIVERS SPECIAL MANAGEMENT**
10 **AREA.**—Certain Federal land in the Kootenai Na-
11 tional Forest, comprising approximately 71,994
12 acres, as generally depicted on the map entitled
13 “Roderick Wilderness and Special Management Area
14 and Three Rivers Special Management Area” and
15 dated September 13, 2010, which is designated as
16 the “Three Rivers Special Management Area”.

17 (6) **THUNDERBOLT CREEK RECREATION MAN-**
18 **AGEMENT AREA.**—Certain Federal land in the Bea-
19 verhead-Deerlodge National Forest, comprising ap-
20 proximately 19,641 acres, as generally depicted on
21 the map entitled “Electric Peak Wilderness and
22 Thunderbolt Creek Recreation Management Area”
23 and dated September 13, 2010, which is designated
24 as the “Thunderbolt Recreation Management Area”.

1 (7) TOBACCO ROOTS RECREATION MANAGE-
2 MENT AREA.—Certain Federal land in the Beaver-
3 head-Deerlodge National Forest, comprising approxi-
4 mately 29,186 acres, as generally depicted on the
5 map entitled “Tobacco Roots Recreation Manage-
6 ment Area” and dated September 13, 2010, which
7 is designated as the “Tobacco Roots Recreation
8 Management Area”.

9 (8) WEST BIG HOLE RECREATION MANAGE-
10 MENT AREA.—Certain Federal land in the Beaver-
11 head-Deerlodge National Forest comprising approxi-
12 mately 95,144 acres, as generally depicted on the
13 map entitled “West Big Hole Wilderness and Recre-
14 ation Management Area” and dated September 13,
15 2010, which is designated as the “West Big Hole
16 Recreation Management Area”.

17 (9) WEST PIONEERS RECREATION MANAGE-
18 MENT AREA.—Certain Federal land in the Beaver-
19 head-Deerlodge National Forest, comprising approxi-
20 mately 128,361 acres, as generally depicted on the
21 map entitled “West Pioneers Wilderness and Recre-
22 ation Management Area” and dated September 13,
23 2010, which is designated as the “West Pioneers
24 Recreation Management Area”.

25 (b) ADMINISTRATION.—

1 (1) APPLICABLE LAW.—

2 (A) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary con-
3 cerned shall administer each area designated by
4 subsection (a)—

5 (i) in furtherance of the purposes for
6 which the area is established; and

7 (ii) in accordance with—

8 (I) this section; and

9 (II) any laws (including regula-
10 tions) relating to the National Forest
11 System.

12 (B) CLOSURE OF TRAILS.—Nothing in this
13 title precludes the Secretary concerned from
14 closing any trail or area located in the areas
15 designated by subsection (a)—

16 (i) to protect a natural resource; or

17 (ii) to help ensure public safety.

18 (2) WITHDRAWAL.—Subject to valid existing
19 rights, any Federal land within an area designated
20 by subsection (a) (including any Federal land ac-
21 quired after the date of enactment of this Act for in-
22 clusion in an area designated by subsection (a)) is
23 withdrawn from all forms of—

24 (A) entry, appropriation, or disposal under
25 the public land laws;

1 (B) location, entry, and patent under the
2 mining laws; and

3 (C) disposition under all laws pertaining to
4 mineral and geothermal leasing or mineral ma-
5 terials.

6 (3) ~~TIMBER HARVESTING.~~—

7 (A) ~~IN GENERAL.~~—Except as provided in
8 subparagraph (B) or as authorized under sub-
9 section (e), timber harvesting shall not be per-
10 mitted within an area designated by subsection
11 (a).

12 (B) ~~FIRE, INSECTS, AND DISEASES.~~—Tim-
13 ber harvesting may be permitted in an area des-
14 ignated by subsection (a) to the extent con-
15 sistent with protecting and preserving the pur-
16 poses of the areas designated by subsection (a)
17 for purposes relating to the necessary control of
18 fire, insects, and diseases.

19 (4) ~~USE OF MOTORIZED OR MECHANIZED VEHI-~~
20 ~~CLES.~~—

21 (A) ~~IN GENERAL.~~—Nothing in this section
22 affects the use of motorized or mechanized vehi-
23 cles that the Secretary concerned determines is
24 necessary for administrative use or to respond
25 to an emergency.

1 ~~(B)~~ MECHANIZED VEHICLES, PEDES-
 2 TRIANS, AND HORSE TRAVEL.—Except as au-
 3 thorized under subsection ~~(c)~~, nothing in this
 4 section prohibits—

5 (i) the use of mechanized vehicles, ae-
 6 cess by pedestrians, or horse travel within
 7 the areas designated by subsection ~~(a)~~; or

8 (ii) the construction of trails for use
 9 by mechanized vehicles, pedestrians, and
 10 horse travel within the areas designated by
 11 subsection ~~(a)~~.

12 ~~(5)~~ FIREWOOD.—The Secretary concerned may
 13 allow for the collection of firewood for noncommer-
 14 cial personal use within the areas designated by sub-
 15 section ~~(a)~~—

16 ~~(A)~~ in accordance with any applicable laws;
 17 and

18 ~~(B)~~ subject to such terms and conditions
 19 as the Secretary concerned determines to be ap-
 20 propriate.

21 ~~(c)~~ AREA SPECIFIC MANAGEMENT REQUIRE-
 22 MENTS.—

23 ~~(1)~~ HIGHLANDS SPECIAL MANAGEMENT
 24 AREA.—

1 (A) CAMPGROUND DEVELOPMENT.—No
2 permanent campground may be constructed
3 within the Highlands Special Management
4 Area.

5 (B) MOTORIZED AND MECHANIZED RECRE-
6 ATION.—Except as provided in subparagraph
7 (C), and as necessary for administrative use or
8 to respond to an emergency, the use of motor-
9 ized or mechanized vehicles within the High-
10 lands Special Management Area shall be pro-
11 hibited.

12 (C) TRANSMISSION TOWERS AND MUNIC-
13 IPAL WATER PIPELINES.—Nothing in this sec-
14 tion affects—

15 (i) the reasonable access of the gov-
16 ernment of the applicable county to oper-
17 ate and maintain the communication site
18 located on Table Mountain under a special
19 use permit issued by the Forest Service;
20 and

21 (ii) the reasonable access of the city of
22 Butte, Montana, to operate, maintain, and
23 if necessary, upgrade or replace the water
24 supply pipeline within the Highlands Spe-
25 cial Management Area in existence as of

1 the date of enactment of this Act for the
2 city of Butte (including the surrounding
3 community of the city of Butte).

4 ~~(D) HELICOPTER LANDINGS.—~~Nothing in
5 this section precludes or restricts the authority
6 of the Secretary concerned to enter into agree-
7 ments with the Secretary of Defense or the
8 Montana National Guard to authorize limited
9 and scheduled landings of aircraft in the High-
10 lands Special Management Area.

11 ~~(2) LOST CREEK, THUNDERBOLT, AND WEST~~
12 ~~PIONEERS RECREATION MANAGEMENT AREAS.—~~

13 ~~(A) MOTORIZED RECREATION.—~~Subject to
14 any terms and conditions the Secretary con-
15 cerned determines to be necessary, the use of
16 motorized vehicles within the Lost Creek, Thun-
17 derbolt, and West Pioneers Recreation Manage-
18 ment Areas shall be limited to—

19 (i) roads, trails, or areas that, as of
20 the date of enactment of this Act, are des-
21 ignated roads, trails, or areas; and

22 (ii) during periods of adequate snow
23 cover, the areas authorized for snowmobile
24 use as of the date of enactment of this Act.

1 (~~B~~) CAMPGROUND DEVELOPMENT.—No
2 permanent campground may be constructed
3 within the Lost Creek Recreation Area.

4 (~~3~~) OTATSY RECREATION MANAGEMENT
5 AREA.—

6 (~~A~~) MOTORIZED AND MECHANIZED RECRE-
7 ATION.—

8 (i) IN GENERAL.—The use of motor-
9 ized and mechanized vehicles in the Otatsy
10 Recreation Management Area shall be per-
11 mitted only on the roads, trails, and areas
12 that are designated for use by motorized
13 and mechanized vehicles by the manage-
14 ment plan required under subparagraph
15 (~~B~~).

16 (ii) INTERIM MANAGEMENT.—Until
17 the date on which the management plan
18 required under subparagraph (~~B~~) is ap-
19 proved, and subject to any terms and con-
20 ditions that the Secretary concerned deter-
21 mines to be necessary, the use of motorized
22 or mechanized vehicles in the Otatsy
23 Recreation Management Area shall be lim-
24 ited to the roads and trails designated for
25 such use as of the date of enactment of

1 this Act, except that during periods of ade-
2 quate snow cover, the use of snowmobiles
3 shall be allowed within the Otatsy Reere-
4 ation Management Area.

5 ~~(B) MANAGEMENT PLAN.~~—The Secretary
6 concerned shall prepare a management plan for
7 the Otatsy Recreation Management Area as
8 part of the first revision of the applicable forest
9 plan that is carried out after the date of enact-
10 ment of this Act.

11 ~~(4) THREE RIVERS AND RODERICK SPECIAL~~
12 ~~MANAGEMENT AREAS.~~—

13 ~~(A) MOTORIZED AND MECHANIZED RECRE-~~
14 ~~ATION.~~—Except as provided in subparagraphs
15 ~~(B)~~ and ~~(C)~~, the use of motorized or mecha-
16 nized vehicles within the Three Rivers Special
17 Management Area and the Roderick Special
18 Management Area shall be limited to the roads
19 on which use by highway legal vehicles is per-
20 mitted as of the date of enactment of this Act.

21 ~~(B) SNOWMOBILE AREA.~~—Subject to any
22 terms and conditions the Secretary concerned
23 determines to be necessary, during periods of
24 adequate snow cover, the use of snowmobiles
25 shall be allowed in the areas designated as “mo-

1 torized” in the map entitled “Roderick Wilder-
2 ness and Special Management Area and Three
3 Rivers Special Management Area” and dated
4 September 13, 2010.

5 (C) GAME CARTS.—The Secretary con-
6 cerned may authorize the use of nonmotorized
7 game carts in the area identified as “Roderick
8 Special Management Area” on the map de-
9 scribed in subparagraph (B).

10 (D) CAMPGROUND DEVELOPMENT.—No
11 permanent campground may be constructed in
12 the Three Rivers Special Management Area or
13 the Roderick Special Management Area.

14 (5) TOBACCO ROOTS RECREATION MANAGE-
15 MENT AREA.—Subject to any terms and conditions
16 that the Secretary concerned determines to be nec-
17 essary, the use of motorized vehicles shall be limited
18 to the roads and trails in the Tobacco Roots Recre-
19 ation Management Area designated for such use as
20 of the date of enactment of this Act.

21 (6) WEST BIG HOLE RECREATION MANAGE-
22 MENT AREA.—

23 (A) MOTORIZED RECREATION.—Subject to
24 any terms and conditions the Secretary con-
25 cerned determines to be necessary, the use of

1 motorized vehicles within the West Big Hole
 2 Recreation Management Area shall be limited
 3 to—

4 (i) the roads, trails, and areas that, as
 5 of the date of enactment of this Act, are
 6 designated roads, trails, or areas; and

7 (ii) during periods of adequate snow
 8 cover, the areas authorized for snowmobile
 9 use as of the date of enactment of this Act.

10 (B) ~~TIMBER HARVEST.~~—The Secretary
 11 concerned may authorize post and pole, fire-
 12 wood, and fuel reduction timber projects in the
 13 West Big Hole Recreation Management Area,
 14 subject to such terms and conditions that the
 15 Secretary concerned determines to be appro-
 16 priate.

17 **SEC. 208. ALL-TERRAIN-VEHICLE STUDY AND REPORT.**

18 Not later than 1 year after the date of enactment
 19 of this Act, the Secretary concerned shall study and report
 20 on—

21 (1) the opportunities for expanded all-terrain
 22 vehicle roads and trails across the Three Rivers Dis-
 23 trict and adjacent areas on the Kootenai National
 24 Forest;

1 (2) the interconnectedness of roads on private
2 or State land; and

3 (3) the opportunities for expanded access points
4 to existing trails.

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

6 (a) *SHORT TITLE.*—*This Act may be cited as the “For-*
7 *est Jobs and Recreation Act of 2013”.*

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

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TITLE I—MONTANA FOREST JOBS AND RESTORATION INITIATIVE

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10 **TITLE I—MONTANA FOREST**
11 **JOBS AND RESTORATION INI-**
12 **TIATIVE**

13 **SEC. 101. PURPOSE.**

14 *The purpose of this title is to establish an initiative—*

1 (1) to preserve and create local jobs in rural
2 communities that are located in or near National
3 Forest System land;

4 (2) to create an immediate, predictable, and in-
5 creased flow of wood fiber with commercial value to
6 support and maintain locally based infrastructure
7 and economies that are necessary for the appropriate
8 management and restoration of National Forest Sys-
9 tem land;

10 (3) to promote cooperation and collaboration in
11 the management of National Forest System land;

12 (4) to restore and improve the ecological struc-
13 ture, composition, and function and the natural proc-
14 esses of priority watersheds within the National For-
15 est System;

16 (5) to carry out collaborative projects to reduce
17 the risk of disturbances from fire, insects, and disease
18 to communities, watersheds, and natural resources
19 through a collaborative process of planning,
20 prioritizing, and implementing ecological restoration
21 and hazardous fuel reduction projects; and

22 (6) to collect information from the projects car-
23 ried out under this title in an effort to better under-
24 stand the manner in which to improve forest restora-
25 tion and management activities.

1 **SEC. 102. DEFINITIONS.**

2 *In this title:*

3 (1) *AUTHORIZED FOREST AND WATERSHED RES-*
4 *TORATION PROJECT.*—*The term “authorized forest*
5 *and watershed restoration project” means a collection*
6 *of activities within a watershed area that are carried*
7 *out—*

8 (A) *on eligible land; and*

9 (B) *to achieve the purposes of this title.*

10 (2) *DECOMMISSION.*—*The term “decommission”*
11 *means—*

12 (A) *to reestablish vegetation on a road or*
13 *trail; and*

14 (B) *to restore any natural drainage, water-*
15 *shed function, or other ecological processes that*
16 *are disrupted or adversely impacted by the road*
17 *or trail by removing or hydrologically dis-*
18 *connecting the road prism.*

19 (3) *ELIGIBLE LAND.*—*The term “eligible land”*
20 *means—*

21 (A) *land within the approximately*
22 *1,900,000 acres of land in the Beaverhead-*
23 *Deerlodge National Forest designated as “Suit-*
24 *able for Timber Production” and “Timber Har-*
25 *vest Is Allowed” as generally depicted on the*
26 *map entitled “Beaverhead-Deerlodge National*

1 *Forest, Revised Forest Plan, Modeled Timber*
2 *Harvest Classification” and dated December 10,*
3 *2008; and*

4 *(B) land within the Kootenai National For-*
5 *est.*

6 (4) *INITIATIVE.*—*The term “Initiative” means*
7 *the Montana Forest Jobs and Restoration Pilot Ini-*
8 *tiative established by section 103(a).*

9 (5) *NATIONAL FOREST.*—*The term “National*
10 *Forest” means all or part of a unit of the National*
11 *Forest System.*

12 (6) *SECRETARY.*—*The term “Secretary” means*
13 *the Secretary of Agriculture, acting through the Chief*
14 *of the Forest Service.*

15 (7) *STEWARDSHIP CONTRACT.*—*The term “stew-*
16 *ardship contract” means a contract authorized under*
17 *section 347 of the Omnibus Consolidated and Emer-*
18 *gency Supplemental Appropriations Act, 1999 (16*
19 *U.S.C. 2104 note; Public Law 105–277) or a suc-*
20 *cessor law to carry out land management goals that*
21 *meet local and rural community needs through a*
22 *source that is selected on a best-value basis.*

23 (8) *WATERSHED AREA.*—*The term “watershed*
24 *area” means 1 or more subwatersheds (also known as*
25 *6th code hydrologic units).*

1 **SEC. 103. MONTANA FOREST JOBS AND RESTORATION**
2 **PILOT INITIATIVE.**

3 (a) *ESTABLISHMENT.*—*There is established the Mon-*
4 *tana Forest Jobs and Restoration Pilot Initiative under*
5 *which the Secretary shall implement authorized forest and*
6 *watershed restoration projects and other land management*
7 *projects on eligible land to achieve—*

8 (1) *the performance requirements under sub-*
9 *section (b); and*

10 (2) *the purposes of this title.*

11 (b) *PERFORMANCE REQUIREMENTS.*—

12 (1) *IN GENERAL.*—*Subject to subsection (g), on*
13 *the eligible land, the Secretary shall place under con-*
14 *tract for treatment of vegetation—*

15 (A) *on the Beaverhead-Deerlodge National*
16 *Forest, a minimum of 5,000 acres annually until*
17 *the date on which a total of 70,000 acres in the*
18 *National Forest have been placed under contract;*
19 *and*

20 (B) *on the Kootenai National Forest—*

21 (i) *2,000 acres during the first year*
22 *after the date of enactment of this Act;*

23 (ii) *2,500 acres during the second year*
24 *after the date of enactment of this Act; and*

25 (iii) *3,000 acres during each subse-*
26 *quent year until the date on which a total*

1 of 30,000 acres in the National Forest have
2 been placed under contract.

3 (2) *PRIORITY FOR TREATMENT IN THE THREE*
4 *RIVERS DISTRICT; ADJACENT RANGER DISTRICTS.—*

5 (A) *PRIORITY.—The Secretary shall seek to*
6 *meet the majority of the requirements under*
7 *paragraph (1)(B) by placing under contract*
8 *land within the Three Rivers District of the*
9 *Kootenai National Forest.*

10 (B) *ADJACENT RANGER DISTRICTS.—The*
11 *Secretary may place under contract land in the*
12 *Libby District, the Rexford District, or the Cabi-*
13 *net District of the Kootenai National Forest to*
14 *meet the requirements under paragraph (1)(B).*

15 (3) *QUALIFIED TREATMENTS.—To meet the re-*
16 *quirements under paragraph (1), treatments shall—*

17 (A) *reduce the density of trees in a project*
18 *area or reduce hazardous fuels;*

19 (B) *be accomplished through the cutting of*
20 *vegetation with mechanized equipment or by*
21 *hand with a power saw; and*

22 (C) *primarily yield products that have com-*
23 *mercial value in local markets.*

1 (4) *LIMITATION.*—*Prescribed fire may not be*
2 *used to accomplish the qualified treatments of vegeta-*
3 *tion required under paragraph (1).*

4 (c) *COLLABORATION.*—

5 (1) *IN GENERAL.*—*For each National Forest*
6 *within the Initiative, the Secretary may identify 1 or*
7 *more collaborative groups or resource advisory com-*
8 *mittees that support the achievement of the purposes*
9 *of this title.*

10 (2) *COMPOSITION.*—*A collaborative group or re-*
11 *source advisory committee identified under paragraph*
12 *(1) shall include multiple interested persons rep-*
13 *resenting diverse interests in forest and watershed*
14 *management.*

15 (3) *CONSULTATION.*—*The Secretary shall consult*
16 *with any collaborative groups or resource advisory*
17 *committees identified under paragraph (1) in the de-*
18 *velopment and implementation of each authorized for-*
19 *est and watershed restoration project carried out*
20 *under the Initiative.*

21 (4) *EXPANSION.*—*The Secretary shall seek to ex-*
22 *pend the public participation and diversity of inter-*
23 *ests involved in the implementation of authorized for-*
24 *est and watershed restoration projects on the eligible*
25 *land through the Initiative.*

1 (d) *ADMINISTRATIVE AND JUDICIAL REVIEW.*—

2 (1) *PREDECISIONAL OBJECTION PROCESS.*—*The*
3 *Secretary shall apply section 105(a) of the Healthy*
4 *Forests Restoration Act of 2003 (16 U.S.C. 6515(a))*
5 *to proposed actions of the Forest Service concerning*
6 *authorized forest and watershed restoration projects.*

7 (2) *ADMINISTRATIVE REVIEW.*—*A person may*
8 *bring a civil action challenging an authorized forest*
9 *and watershed restoration project in a Federal dis-*
10 *trict court only in accordance with the provisions of*
11 *section 105(c) of the Healthy Forests Restoration Act*
12 *of 2003 (16 U.S.C. 6515(c)).*

13 (3) *JUDICIAL REVIEW.*—*Any judicial proceeding*
14 *of a civil action brought in a Federal District court*
15 *against an authorized forest and watershed restora-*
16 *tion project shall be conducted in accordance with sec-*
17 *tion 106 of the Healthy Forests Restoration Act of*
18 *2003 (16 U.S.C. 6516).*

19 (e) *REPORTS.*—

20 (1) *COMPLIANCE REPORT.*—*Not later than 180*
21 *days after the end of any fiscal year in which the Sec-*
22 *retary fails to meet the performance requirements*
23 *under subsection (b)(1), the Secretary shall submit to*
24 *the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources of*
25 *the Senate and the Committee on Natural Resources*

1 of the House of Representatives a report that in-
2 cludes—

3 (A) a description of the work carried out for
4 the fiscal year on the eligible land;

5 (B) a detailed explanation of the reasons
6 why the performance requirements described in
7 subsection (b)(1) were not met; and

8 (C) any specific actions the Secretary plans
9 to take in the subsequent year to ensure that the
10 performance requirements described in subsection
11 (b)(1) are met.

12 (2) *PROGRESS REPORT.*—

13 (A) *IN GENERAL.*—Not later than 5 years
14 after the date of enactment of this Act and every
15 5 years thereafter until the date on which the
16 Initiative is terminated under subsection (h), the
17 Secretary shall submit to the Committee on En-
18 ergy and Natural Resources of the Senate and
19 the Committee on Natural Resources of the
20 House of Representatives, and make available to
21 the public, a report that assesses the progress of
22 the Initiative toward accomplishing the purposes
23 of this title.

24 (B) *INCLUSIONS.*—The report under sub-
25 paragraph (A) shall include—

1 (i) an analysis, with respect to eligible
2 land in the Initiative, of changes in—

3 (I) risk from wildfire, including
4 in the proportion of treated acres ex-
5 hibiting a change in fire regime condi-
6 tion class;

7 (II) biodiversity and wildlife
8 habitat;

9 (III) soil and water characteris-
10 tics, including changes in road density
11 and water quality;

12 (IV) economic effects, including
13 job creation, labor income, obligations
14 of appropriated funds, and collected re-
15 ceipts; and

16 (V) social implications, including
17 attitudes towards land use;

18 (ii) recommendations concerning—

19 (I) the need and appropriateness
20 of seeking permanent authorization for
21 any of the authorities that would other-
22 wise be terminated under subsection
23 (h); and

24 (II) the need and appropriateness
25 of expanding any of the authorities or

1 *requirements provided under this title*
2 *to the National Forest System; and*
3 *(iii) an analysis of any additional*
4 *measures for which the Secretary chooses to*
5 *gather data and report on to determine if*
6 *the Initiative is meeting the purposes of this*
7 *title.*

8 *(C) DATA ANALYSIS.—In preparing the re-*
9 *port under this paragraph, the Secretary may*
10 *consult with regional institutions of higher edu-*
11 *cation and institutions with the capacity to col-*
12 *lect, coordinate, analyze, and archive the data to*
13 *be used to prepare the report.*

14 *(D) LIMITATION ON LENGTH.—The report*
15 *under subparagraph (A) shall not exceed 7 pages*
16 *in length.*

17 *(f) FUNDING.—*

18 *(1) EFFECT ON OTHER FUNDS.—The Secretary*
19 *may not divert funding from a National Forest or*
20 *grassland located outside of the State of Montana to*
21 *meet the performance requirements of the Initiative.*

22 *(2) REPROGRAMMING AUTHORITY.—On notifying*
23 *the Senate and House Committees on Appropriations,*
24 *the Secretary may reprogram any funds—*

1 (A) made available through an appropri-
2 tion for the National Forest System; and

3 (B) allocated to be used on the eligible land.

4 (g) *EXPANSION OF INITIATIVE.*—

5 (1) *IN GENERAL.*—*The Secretary may elect to*
6 *include the Seeley Ranger District of the Lolo Na-*
7 *tional Forest in the Initiative, if—*

8 (A) *the Seeley Ranger District no longer re-*
9 *ceives funding under section 4003(b)(1)(B) of the*
10 *Omnibus Public Land Management Act of 2009*
11 *(16 U.S.C. 7303(b)(1)(B)); and*

12 (B) *a collaborative group or resource advi-*
13 *sory committee identified by the Secretary under*
14 *subsection (c)(1) requests inclusion in the Initia-*
15 *tive.*

16 (2) *REQUIREMENTS.*—*On the election by the Sec-*
17 *retary to include the Seeley Ranger District in the*
18 *Initiative, the project requirements of the Initiative*
19 *under this title shall apply to the District.*

20 (h) *TERMINATION DATE.*—

21 (1) *IN GENERAL.*—*The Initiative shall terminate*
22 *on the later of—*

23 (A) *the date that is 15 years after the date*
24 *of enactment of this Act; or*

1 (B) the date on which the Secretary deter-
 2 mines that the performance requirements under
 3 subsection (b)(1) have been achieved.

4 (2) *EFFECT.*—Nothing in this subsection affects
 5 a valid contract in effect on the termination date
 6 under paragraph (1).

7 **SEC. 104. AUTHORIZED FOREST AND WATERSHED RESTORA-**
 8 **TION PROJECTS.**

9 (a) *IMPLEMENTATION.*—

10 (1) *IN GENERAL.*—The Secretary shall annually
 11 implement 1 or more authorized forest and watershed
 12 restoration projects on the eligible land.

13 (2) *LANDSCAPE-SCALE PROJECTS.*—The Sec-
 14 retary shall implement in 1 or more watershed areas
 15 authorized forest and watershed restoration projects
 16 in a manner that provides landscape-scale work with
 17 the goal of minimizing entries into the watershed.

18 (3) *STEWARDSHIP CONTRACTS.*—The Secretary
 19 may enter into stewardship contracts or agreements
 20 to carry out authorized forest and watershed restora-
 21 tion projects.

22 (4) *PRIORITIZATION.*—

23 (A) *IN GENERAL.*—Consistent with the pur-
 24 poses of this title, the Secretary shall give pri-

1 *ority to carrying out authorized forest and wa-*
2 *tershed restoration projects in areas—*

3 *(i) in which the road density exceeds*
4 *1.5 miles per square mile;*

5 *(ii) in the wildland-urban interface (as*
6 *defined in section 101 of the Healthy For-*
7 *ests Restoration Act of 2003 (16 U.S.C.*
8 *6511)) that are at risk of wildfire that*
9 *would threaten public infrastructure or pri-*
10 *vate property;*

11 *(iii) in which fish and wildlife habitat*
12 *connectivity is compromised as a result of*
13 *past management practices; and*

14 *(iv) that contain forests that are iden-*
15 *tified on the National Insect and Disease*
16 *Risk Map as having a significant risk of*
17 *tree mortality.*

18 *(B) EFFECT.—Nothing in this paragraph*
19 *precludes the Secretary from carrying out au-*
20 *thorized forest and watershed restoration projects*
21 *on other land as necessary to fulfill—*

22 *(i) the purposes of this title; and*

23 *(ii) the performance requirements*
24 *under section 103(b)(1).*

1 (5) *ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW.*—*An environ-*
2 *mental review of an authorized forest and watershed*
3 *restoration projects shall be carried out in accordance*
4 *with the provisions for hazardous fuel reduction*
5 *projects set forth in section 104 of the Healthy Forests*
6 *Restoration Act of 2003 (16 U.S.C. 6514), except*
7 *that—*

8 (A) *in addition to the requirements of that*
9 *section, the review shall address whether the pro-*
10 *posed authorized forest and watershed restoration*
11 *projects meets the purposes and requirements of*
12 *this title;*

13 (B) *on signing of a decision document for*
14 *the authorized forest and watershed restoration*
15 *project, the Secretary shall implement the au-*
16 *thorized forest and watershed restoration project;*

17 (C) *the predecisional objection process pro-*
18 *mulgated under part 218 of title 36, Code of*
19 *Federal Regulations (and successor regulations),*
20 *shall apply; and*

21 (D) *if the Secretary or a court determines*
22 *that additional review is warranted due to sig-*
23 *nificant new circumstances after implementation*
24 *of an authorized forest and watershed restoration*
25 *project has begun, the additional analysis shall*

1 *not interrupt the implementation of the activities*
2 *that are not subject to the additional review, in*
3 *accordance with the National Environmental*
4 *Policy Act of 1969 (42 U.S.C. 4321 et seq.).*

5 ***(b) PROJECT REQUIREMENTS.—***

6 ***(1) RIPARIAN HABITAT PROTECTION.—****The Sec-*
7 *retary may develop an aquatic and riparian habitat*
8 *protection strategy to modify the aquatic and ripar-*
9 *ian conservation requirements in existing forest*
10 *plans, if the Secretary determines, after considering*
11 *the best available science, that the modifications*
12 *would meet or exceed the aquatic and riparian protec-*
13 *tion requirements in the existing forest plans.*

14 ***(2) ROADS.—****In carrying out any authorized for-*
15 *est and watershed restoration project under this title,*
16 *the Secretary shall—*

17 ***(A) not construct any permanent road, un-***
18 ***less—***

19 ***(i) the Secretary determines that the***
20 ***road is a justifiable realignment of a per-***
21 ***manent road to restore or improve the eco-***
22 ***logical structure, composition, and function***
23 ***and the natural processes of the affected for-***
24 ***est or watershed; and***

1 (ii) the replaced road bed is decommis-
2 sioned by removing the road prism;

3 (B) decommission any temporary road con-
4 structed to carry out the land management
5 project by the conclusion of the contract; and

6 (C) decommission National Forest System
7 roads and unauthorized roads—

8 (i) subject to appropriations; and

9 (ii) consistent with the analysis re-
10 quired by subparts A and B of part 212 of
11 title 36, Code of Federal Regulations.

12 (3) *VEGETATION MANAGEMENT.*—The Secretary
13 shall design authorized forest and watershed restora-
14 tion projects to produce commercial and noncommer-
15 cial wood products, consistent with the purposes of
16 this title.

17 **SEC. 105. MISCELLANEOUS.**

18 (a) *IN GENERAL.*—Except as otherwise provided in
19 this title, the Secretary shall administer the National For-
20 ests subject to the Initiative in accordance with applicable
21 law.

22 (b) *AGENCY PARTICIPATION.*—The Secretary may, in
23 accordance with applicable law, permit a Field Manager
24 from each applicable Bureau of Land Management office,
25 the Seeley Lake District Ranger of the Lolo National Forest,

1 *and the Lincoln District Ranger of the Helena National*
 2 *Forest to serve on the Board of Directors of the Blackfoot*
 3 *Challenge in the official capacities of the Bureau of Land*
 4 *Management and the districts, respectively.*

5 **TITLE II—DESIGNATION OF WIL-**
 6 **DERNESS AND SPECIAL MAN-**
 7 **AGEMENT AREAS IN MON-**
 8 **TANA**

9 **SEC. 201. PURPOSES.**

10 *The purposes of this title are—*

11 *(1) to protect and enhance motorized recreational*
 12 *opportunities in the Beaverhead-Deerlodge National*
 13 *Forest, the Lolo National Forest, and the Kootenai*
 14 *National Forest; and*

15 *(2) to protect and enhance the wild heritage and*
 16 *backcountry traditions of the State through—*

17 *(A) the addition of certain land to the Na-*
 18 *tional Wilderness Preservation System; and*

19 *(B) the management of other land in a*
 20 *manner that preserves existing primitive and*
 21 *semi-primitive recreational activities.*

22 **SEC. 202. DEFINITIONS.**

23 *In this title:*

1 (1) *BEAVERHEAD-DEERLODGE NATIONAL FOR-*
2 *EST.—The term “Beaverhead-Deerlodge National For-*
3 *est” means the National Forest that is—*

4 (A) *comprised of—*

5 (i) *the Beaverhead National Forest;*

6 *and*

7 (ii) *the Deerlodge National Forest; and*

8 (B) *managed by the Secretary concerned as*
9 *a single administrative unit.*

10 (2) *DESIGNATED ROAD, TRAIL, OR AREA.—The*
11 *term “designated road, trail, or area” has the mean-*
12 *ing given the term in section 212.1 of title 36, Code*
13 *of Federal Regulations (or a successor regulation).*

14 (3) *FOREST PLAN.—The term “forest plan”*
15 *means a land and resource management plan pre-*
16 *pared in accordance with section 6 of the Forest and*
17 *Rangeland Renewable Resources Planning Act of*
18 *1974 (16 U.S.C. 1604).*

19 (4) *SECRETARY CONCERNED.—The term “Sec-*
20 *retary concerned” means—*

21 (A) *the Secretary of Agriculture, acting*
22 *through the Chief of the Forest Service, with re-*
23 *spect to National Forest System land; and*

24 (B) *the Secretary of the Interior, with re-*
25 *spect to land managed by the Bureau of Land*

1 *Management (including land held for the benefit*
2 *of an Indian tribe).*

3 (5) *STATE.—The term “State” means the State*
4 *of Montana.*

5 **SEC. 203. DESIGNATION OF WILDERNESS AREAS.**

6 (a) *LAND ADMINISTERED BY THE FOREST SERVICE.—*
7 *In furtherance of the purposes of the Wilderness Act (16*
8 *U.S.C. 1131 et seq.), the following areas in the State are*
9 *designated as wilderness areas and as components of the*
10 *National Wilderness Preservation System:*

11 (1) *ANACONDA PINTLER WILDERNESS ADDI-*
12 *TIONS.—Certain land in the Beaverhead-Deerlodge*
13 *National Forest, comprising approximately 65,407*
14 *acres, as generally depicted on the map entitled “An-*
15 *aconda-Pintler Wilderness Additions” and dated De-*
16 *cember 17, 2013, is incorporated in, and shall be con-*
17 *sidered to be a part of, the Anaconda-Pintler Wilder-*
18 *ness.*

19 (2) *BOB MARSHALL WILDERNESS ADDITIONS.—*
20 *Certain land in the Lolo National Forest, comprising*
21 *approximately 40,072 acres generally depicted as the*
22 *“North Fork Blackfoot-Monture Creek Wilderness Ad-*
23 *dition (Bob Marshall Addition)” and approximately*
24 *7,792 acres generally depicted as the “Grizzly Basin*
25 *of the Swan Range Wilderness Addition” on the map*

1 entitled “Bob Marshall, Mission Mountains and
2 Scapegoat Wilderness Additions and Otatsy Recre-
3 ation Management Area” and dated December 17,
4 2013, is incorporated in, and shall be considered to
5 be a part of, the Bob Marshall Wilderness.

6 (3) *DOLUS LAKES WILDERNESS*.—Certain land
7 in the Beaverhead-Deerlodge National Forest, com-
8 prising approximately 9,407 acres, as generally de-
9 picted on the map entitled “Dolus Lakes Wilderness”
10 and dated December 17, 2013, which shall be known
11 as the “Dolus Lakes Wilderness”.

12 (4) *EAST PIONEERS WILDERNESS*.—Certain land
13 in the Beaverhead-Deerlodge National Forest, com-
14 prising approximately 77,438 acres, as generally de-
15 picted on the map entitled “East Pioneers Wilder-
16 ness” and dated December 17, 2013, which shall be
17 known as the “East Pioneers Wilderness”.

18 (5) *ELECTRIC PEAK WILDERNESS*.—Certain land
19 in the Beaverhead-Deerlodge National Forest, com-
20 prising approximately 4,992 acres, as generally de-
21 picted on the map entitled “Electric Peak Wilderness
22 and Thunderbolt Creek Recreation Management
23 Area” and dated December 17, 2013, which shall be
24 known as the “Electric Peak Wilderness”.

1 (6) *HIGHLANDS WILDERNESS.*—*Certain land in*
2 *the Beaverhead-Deerlodge National Forest, comprising*
3 *approximately 15,659 acres, as generally depicted on*
4 *the map entitled “Highlands Wilderness Area and*
5 *Special Management Area” and dated December 17,*
6 *2013, which shall be known as the “Highlands Wil-*
7 *derness”.*

8 (7) *ITALIAN PEAKS WILDERNESS.*—*Certain land*
9 *in the Beaverhead-Deerlodge National Forest, com-*
10 *prising approximately 29,677 acres, as generally de-*
11 *scribed on the map entitled “Italian Peaks Wilder-*
12 *ness” and dated December 17, 2013, which shall be*
13 *known as the “Italian Peaks Wilderness”.*

14 (8) *LEE METCALF WILDERNESS ADDITIONS.*—
15 *Certain land in the Beaverhead-Deerlodge National*
16 *Forest, comprising approximately 17,201 acres, as*
17 *generally depicted on the map entitled “Lee Metcalf*
18 *Wilderness Additions” and dated December 17, 2013,*
19 *is incorporated in, and shall be considered to be a*
20 *part of, the Lee Metcalf Wilderness.*

21 (9) *LIMA PEAKS WILDERNESS.*—*Certain land in*
22 *the Beaverhead-Deerlodge National Forest, comprising*
23 *approximately 35,012 acres, as generally depicted on*
24 *the map entitled “Lima Peaks Wilderness” and dated*

1 *December 17, 2013, which shall be known as the*
2 *“Lima Peaks Wilderness”.*

3 (10) *MISSION MOUNTAINS WILDERNESS ADDI-*
4 *TION.—Certain land in the Lolo National Forest,*
5 *which comprises approximately 4,460 acres, as gen-*
6 *erally depicted as the “West Fork Clearwater Wilder-*
7 *ness Addition” on the map entitled “Bob Marshall,*
8 *Mission Mountains and Scapegoat Wilderness Addi-*
9 *tions and Otatsy Recreation Management Area” and*
10 *dated December 17, 2013, is incorporated in, and*
11 *shall be considered to be a part of, the Mission Moun-*
12 *tains Wilderness designated by Public Law 93–632*
13 *(88 Stat. 2153).*

14 (11) *MOUNT JEFFERSON WILDERNESS.—Certain*
15 *land in the Beaverhead-Deerlodge National Forest,*
16 *comprising approximately 2,110 acres, as generally*
17 *depicted on the map entitled “Mount Jefferson Wil-*
18 *derness” and dated December 17, 2013, which shall be*
19 *known as the “Mount Jefferson Wilderness”.*

20 (12) *QUIGG PEAK WILDERNESS.—Certain land*
21 *in the Beaverhead-Deerlodge National Forest, com-*
22 *prising approximately 8,275 acres, as generally de-*
23 *scribed on the map entitled “Quigg Peak Wilderness”*
24 *and dated December 17, 2013, which shall be known*
25 *as the “Quigg Peak Wilderness”.*

1 (13) *RODERICK WILDERNESS.*—*Certain land in*
2 *the Kootenai National Forest, which comprises ap-*
3 *proximately 29,467 acres, as generally depicted as the*
4 *“Roderick Wilderness Area” on the map entitled*
5 *“Roderick Wilderness and Special Management Area*
6 *and Three Rivers Special Management Area” and*
7 *dated December 17, 2013, which shall be known as the*
8 *“Roderick Wilderness”.*

9 (14) *SAPPHIRES WILDERNESS.*—*Certain land in*
10 *the Beaverhead-Deerlodge National Forest, comprising*
11 *approximately 43,101 acres, as generally depicted on*
12 *the map entitled “Sapphires Wilderness” and dated*
13 *December 17, 2013, which shall be known as the*
14 *“Sapphires Wilderness”.*

15 (15) *SCAPEGOAT WILDERNESS ADDITIONS.*—*Cer-*
16 *tain land in the Lolo National Forest, which com-*
17 *prises approximately 30,967 acres, as generally de-*
18 *scribed as the “North Fork Blackfoot-Monture Creek*
19 *Wilderness Addition (Scapegoat Addition)” on the*
20 *map entitled “Bob Marshall, Mission Mountains and*
21 *Scapegoat Wilderness Additions and Otatsy Recre-*
22 *ation Management Area” and dated December 17,*
23 *2013, is incorporated in, and shall be considered to*
24 *be a part of, the Scapegoat Wilderness designated by*
25 *Public Law 92–395 (86 Stat. 578).*

1 (16) *SNOWCREST WILDERNESS*.—*Certain land in*
2 *the Beaverhead-Deerlodge National Forest, comprising*
3 *approximately 71,068 acres, as generally depicted on*
4 *the map entitled “Snowcrest Wilderness” and dated*
5 *December 17, 2013, which shall be known as the*
6 *“Snowcrest Wilderness”.*

7 (17) *STONY MOUNTAIN WILDERNESS*.—*Certain*
8 *land in the Beaverhead-Deerlodge National Forest,*
9 *comprising approximately 14,213 acres, as generally*
10 *depicted on the map entitled “Stony Mountain Wil-*
11 *derness” and dated December 17, 2013, which shall be*
12 *known as the “Stony Mountain Wilderness”.*

13 (18) *WEST BIG HOLE WILDERNESS*.—*Certain*
14 *land in the Beaverhead-Deerlodge National Forest,*
15 *comprising approximately 44,156 acres, as generally*
16 *depicted on the map entitled “West Big Hole Wilder-*
17 *ness and Recreation Management Area” and dated*
18 *December 17, 2013, which shall be known as the*
19 *“West Big Hole Wilderness”.*

20 (19) *WEST PIONEERS WILDERNESS*.—*Certain*
21 *land in the Beaverhead-Deerlodge National Forest,*
22 *comprising approximately 26,534 acres, as generally*
23 *depicted on the map entitled “West Pioneers Wilder-*
24 *ness and Recreation Management Area” and dated*

1 *December 17, 2013, which shall be known as the*
2 *“West Pioneers Wilderness”.*

3 **(b) LAND ADMINISTERED BY THE BUREAU OF LAND**
4 **MANAGEMENT.**—*In furtherance of the purposes of the Wil-*
5 *derness Act (16 U.S.C. 1131 et seq.), the following areas*
6 *in the State are designated as wilderness areas and as com-*
7 *ponents of the National Wilderness Preservation System:*

8 **(1) BLACKTAIL MOUNTAINS WILDERNESS.**—*Cer-*
9 *tain public land administered by the Bureau of Land*
10 *Management, comprising approximately 10,675 acres,*
11 *as generally depicted on the map entitled “Blacktail*
12 *Mountains Wilderness” and dated July 27, 2010,*
13 *which shall be known as the “Blacktail Mountains*
14 *Wilderness”.*

15 **(2) CENTENNIAL MOUNTAINS WILDERNESS.**—*Cer-*
16 *tain public land administered by the Bureau of Land*
17 *Management, comprising approximately 23,700 acres,*
18 *as generally depicted on the map entitled “Centennial*
19 *Mountains Wilderness” and dated June 1, 2012,*
20 *which shall be known as the “Centennial Mountains*
21 *Wilderness”.*

22 **(3) RUBY MOUNTAINS WILDERNESS.**—*Certain*
23 *public land administered by the Bureau of Land*
24 *Management, comprising approximately 16,300 acres,*
25 *as generally depicted on the map entitled “Ruby*

1 *Mountains Wilderness” and dated July 27, 2010,*
2 *which shall be known as the “Ruby Mountains Wil-*
3 *derness”.*

4 (4) *EAST FORK BLACKTAIL WILDERNESS.—Cer-*
5 *tain public land administered by the Bureau of Land*
6 *Management, comprising approximately 6,125 acres,*
7 *as generally depicted on the map entitled “East Fork*
8 *Blacktail Wilderness” and dated July 27, 2010, which*
9 *shall be known as the “East Fork Blacktail Wilder-*
10 *ness”.*

11 (5) *HUMBUG SPIRES WILDERNESS.—Certain*
12 *public land administered by the Bureau of Land*
13 *Management, comprising approximately 8,900 acres,*
14 *as generally depicted on the map entitled “Humbug*
15 *Spires Wilderness” and dated July 27, 2010, which*
16 *shall be known as the “Humbug Spires Wilderness”.*

17 (c) *TRANSFER OF ADMINISTRATIVE JURISDICTION.—*
18 *Administrative jurisdiction over certain public land ad-*
19 *ministered by the Bureau of Land Management, comprising*
20 *approximately 663 acres, as generally known as “Farlin*
21 *Creek Administrative Transfer” depicted on the map enti-*
22 *tled “East Pioneers Wilderness” and dated September 13,*
23 *2010, is transferred to the Secretary of Agriculture, and is*
24 *incorporated in, and shall be considered to be a part of,*

1 *the East Pioneers Wilderness designated by subsection*
2 *(a)(4).*

3 **SEC. 204. ADMINISTRATION OF WILDERNESS AREAS.**

4 *(a) MANAGEMENT.—Subject to valid existing rights,*
5 *each area designated as wilderness by section 203 shall be*
6 *administered by the Secretary concerned in accordance with*
7 *the Wilderness Act (16 U.S.C. 1131 et seq.), except that—*

8 *(1) any reference in that Act to the effective date*
9 *shall be considered to be a reference to the date of en-*
10 *actment of this Act; and*

11 *(2) with respect to public land administered by*
12 *the Bureau of Land Management, any reference in*
13 *that Act to the Secretary of Agriculture shall be con-*
14 *sidered to be a reference to the Secretary of the Inte-*
15 *rior.*

16 *(b) MAPS AND LEGAL DESCRIPTIONS.—*

17 *(1) IN GENERAL.—As soon as practicable after*
18 *the date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary con-*
19 *cerned shall file a map and a legal description of each*
20 *wilderness area and potential wilderness area des-*
21 *ignated by this section, with—*

22 *(A) the Committee on Energy and Natural*
23 *Resources of the Senate; and*

24 *(B) the Committee on Natural Resources of*
25 *the House of Representatives.*

1 (2) *FORCE OF LAW.*—*The maps and legal de-*
2 *scriptions filed under paragraph (1) shall have the*
3 *same force and effect as if included in this title, ex-*
4 *cept that the Secretary concerned may correct typo-*
5 *graphical errors in the maps and legal descriptions.*

6 (3) *PUBLIC AVAILABILITY.*—*Each map and legal*
7 *description filed under paragraph (1) shall be on file*
8 *and available for public inspection in the appropriate*
9 *offices of the Forest Service and the Bureau of Land*
10 *Management.*

11 (c) *INCORPORATION OF ACQUIRED LAND AND INTER-*
12 *ESTS.*—*Any land within the boundary of a wilderness area*
13 *designated by section 203 that is acquired by the United*
14 *States shall—*

15 (1) *become part of the wilderness area in which*
16 *the land is located; and*

17 (2) *be managed in accordance with this section,*
18 *the Wilderness Act (16 U.S.C. 1131 et seq.), and any*
19 *other applicable law.*

20 (d) *WITHDRAWAL.*—*Subject to valid existing rights,*
21 *the Federal land designated as wilderness by section 203*
22 *is withdrawn from all forms of—*

23 (1) *entry, appropriation, or disposal under the*
24 *public land laws;*

1 (2) *location, entry, and patent under the mining*
2 *laws; and*

3 (3) *disposition under all laws pertaining to min-*
4 *eral and geothermal leasing or mineral materials.*

5 (e) *FIRE, INSECTS, AND DISEASES.*—*In accordance*
6 *with section 4(d)(1) of the Wilderness Act (16 U.S.C.*
7 *1133(d)(1)), within the wilderness areas designated by sec-*
8 *tion 203, the Secretary concerned may take such measures*
9 *as are necessary to control fire, insects, and diseases, subject*
10 *to such terms and conditions as the Secretary concerned de-*
11 *termines to be appropriate.*

12 (f) *ACCESS TO PRIVATE LAND.*—*In accordance with*
13 *section 5(a) of the Wilderness Act (16 U.S.C. 1134(a)), the*
14 *Secretary concerned shall provide any owner of private*
15 *land within the boundary of a wilderness area designated*
16 *by section 203 adequate access to the private land.*

17 (g) *FISH AND WILDLIFE.*—

18 (1) *IN GENERAL.*—*Nothing in this title affects*
19 *the jurisdiction or responsibilities of the State with*
20 *respect to fish and wildlife, including the regulation*
21 *of hunting, fishing, and trapping.*

22 (2) *MANAGEMENT ACTIVITIES.*—*In furtherance of*
23 *the purposes and principles of the Wilderness Act (16*
24 *U.S.C. 1131 et seq.), the Secretary concerned may*
25 *carry out management activities to maintain or re-*

1 *store fish and wildlife populations (including activi-*
2 *ties to maintain and restore fish and wildlife habitats*
3 *to support the populations) in a wilderness area des-*
4 *ignated by section 203 if the activities are—*

5 *(A) consistent with applicable wilderness*
6 *management plans; and*

7 *(B) carried out in accordance with applica-*
8 *ble guidelines and policies.*

9 *(h) SNOW SENSORS AND STREAM GAUGES.—Nothing*
10 *in this title prevents the installation or maintenance of*
11 *hydrological, meteorological, or climatological instrumenta-*
12 *tion in a wilderness area designated by section 203 if the*
13 *Secretary concerned determines that the installation or*
14 *maintenance of the instrumentation is necessary to further*
15 *the scientific, educational, or conservation purposes of the*
16 *wilderness area.*

17 *(i) LIVESTOCK.—Within the wilderness areas, the*
18 *grazing of livestock in which grazing is established before*
19 *the date of enactment of this Act shall be allowed to con-*
20 *tinue, subject to such reasonable regulations, policies, and*
21 *practices as the Secretary concerned determines to be nec-*
22 *essary, in accordance with—*

23 *(1) section 4(d)(4) of the Wilderness Act (16*
24 *U.S.C. 1131(d)(4));*

1 (2) *with respect to wilderness areas administered*
2 *by the Secretary of Agriculture, the guidelines de-*
3 *scribed in House Report 96–617 of the 96th Congress;*
4 *and*

5 (3) *with respect to wilderness areas administered*
6 *by the Secretary of the Interior, the guidelines de-*
7 *scribed in Appendix A of House Report 101–405 of*
8 *the 101st Congress.*

9 (j) *OUTFITTING AND GUIDE ACTIVITIES.—*

10 (1) *IN GENERAL.—In accordance with section*
11 *4(d)(5) of the Wilderness Act (16 U.S.C. 1133(d)(5)),*
12 *commercial services (including authorized outfitting*
13 *and guide activities) within the wilderness areas des-*
14 *ignated by section 203 may be performed to the extent*
15 *necessary for activities that are proper for realizing*
16 *the recreational or other wilderness purposes of the*
17 *wilderness areas.*

18 (2) *EFFECT.—Nothing in this title requires the*
19 *Secretary concerned to modify permits in effect as of*
20 *the date of enactment of this Act to provide outfitting*
21 *and guide services within the areas designated as wil-*
22 *derness by section 203, if the Secretary concerned de-*
23 *termines that the activities are in compliance with*
24 *section 4(d)(5) of the Wilderness Act (16 U.S.C.*
25 *1133(d)(5)).*

1 (k) *ADJACENT MANAGEMENT.*—

2 (1) *IN GENERAL.*—*The designation of a wilder-*
3 *ness area by section 203 shall not create any protec-*
4 *tive perimeter or buffer zone around the wilderness*
5 *area.*

6 (2) *NONWILDERNESS ACTIVITIES.*—*The fact that*
7 *nonwilderness activities or uses can be seen or heard*
8 *from areas within a wilderness area designated by*
9 *section 203 shall not preclude the conduct of the ac-*
10 *tivities or uses outside the boundary of the wilderness*
11 *area.*

12 (l) *WATER IMPOUNDMENT STRUCTURES.*—

13 (1) *IN GENERAL.*—*The Secretary concerned may*
14 *issue a special use authorization to an owner of a*
15 *water storage, transport, or diversion facility located*
16 *within the areas designated as wilderness by section*
17 *203 for the continued operation, maintenance, and re-*
18 *construction of the facility if—*

19 (A) *the facility was in existence before the*
20 *date of the designation of the wilderness area;*
21 *and*

22 (B) *the Secretary concerned determines*
23 *that—*

24 (i) *the facility has been in substan-*
25 *tially continuous use to deliver water for the*

1 *beneficial use on the non-Federal land of the*
2 *owner since the date of the designation of*
3 *the wilderness area;*

4 *(ii) the owner of the facility holds a*
5 *valid water right for use of the water under*
6 *State law, with a priority date that pre-*
7 *dates the date of the designation of the wil-*
8 *derness area; and*

9 *(iii) it is not practicable or feasible to*
10 *relocate the facility to land outside the*
11 *boundary of the wilderness and continue the*
12 *beneficial use of water on the non-Federal*
13 *land recognized under State law.*

14 (2) *USE OF MOTORIZED EQUIPMENT AND*
15 *MECHANIZED TRANSPORT.—The special use author-*
16 *ization under paragraph (1) may allow for the use of*
17 *motorized equipment and mechanized transport if the*
18 *Secretary concerned determines, after conducting a*
19 *minimum tool analysis, that the use of nonmotorized*
20 *equipment and nonmechanized transport is impracti-*
21 *cable or infeasible.*

22 (3) *TERMS AND CONDITIONS.—The Secretary*
23 *concerned may include such terms and conditions in*
24 *the special use authorization under paragraph (1) as*

1 *the Secretary concerned determines appropriate to*
2 *protect the wilderness values of the area.*

3 *(m) SNOWCREST WILDERNESS AREA.—With respect to*
4 *the Snowcrest Wilderness Area—*

5 *(1) the continuation of motorized access to main-*
6 *tain water infrastructure for cattle that was con-*
7 *structed to protect fluvial Arctic Grayling and other*
8 *aquatic species in the Ruby River may continue—*

9 *(A) subject to a permit; and*

10 *(B) in accordance with—*

11 *(i) section 4(d)(4) of the Wilderness*
12 *Act (16 U.S.C. 1133(d)(4)); and*

13 *(ii) the guidelines described in House*
14 *Report 96–617 of the 96th Congress; and*

15 *(2) the trailing of sheep across the Snowcrest*
16 *Wilderness area to reach existing grazing allotments*
17 *in the Gravelly Mountains may be continued for the*
18 *tenure of the allotments—*

19 *(A) subject to—*

20 *(i) a permit; and*

21 *(ii) a determination by the Secretary*
22 *of Agriculture (acting through the Forest*
23 *Supervisor) that the use of nonmechanized*
24 *transport is impracticable or infeasible; and*

1 (B) to the maximum extent practicable, in
2 accordance with the guidelines described in
3 House Report 96–617 of the 96th Congress.

4 **SEC. 205. RELEASE OF BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT**
5 **STUDY AREAS.**

6 (a) *FINDING.*—Congress finds that, for purposes of sec-
7 tion 603 of the Federal Land Policy and Management Act
8 of 1976 (43 U.S.C. 1782), any portion of a wilderness study
9 area described in subsection (b) that is not designated as
10 a wilderness area by section 203 or any other Act enacted
11 before the date of enactment of this Act has been adequately
12 studied for wilderness.

13 (b) *DESCRIPTION OF STUDY AREAS.*—The study areas
14 referred to in subsection (a) are—

15 (1) the Axolotl Lakes Wilderness Study Area;

16 (2) the Bell and Limekiln Canyons Wilderness
17 Study Area;

18 (3) the Blacktail Mountains Wilderness Study
19 Area;

20 (4) the Centennial Mountains Wilderness Study
21 Area;

22 (5) the Farlin Creek Wilderness Study Area;

23 (6) the Henneberry Ridge Wilderness Study
24 Area;

25 (7) the Hidden Pasture Wilderness Study Area;

1 (8) *the Humbug Spires Wilderness Study Area;*
2 *and*

3 (9) *the Ruby Mountains Wilderness Study Area.*

4 (c) *RELEASE.—Any study area described in subsection*
5 *(b) that is not designated as a wilderness area by section*
6 *203—*

7 (1) *is no longer subject to section 603(c) of the*
8 *Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976*
9 *(43 U.S.C. 1782(c)); and*

10 (2) *shall be managed in accordance with the ap-*
11 *plicable land management plans adopted under sec-*
12 *tion 202 of that Act (43 U.S.C. 1712).*

13 **SEC. 206. RELEASE OF SAPPHIRE AND WEST PIONEER WIL-**
14 **DERNESS STUDY AREAS.**

15 (a) *FINDINGS.—Congress finds that—*

16 (1) *the studies conducted under section 2 of the*
17 *Montana Wilderness Study Act of 1977 (Public Law*
18 *95-150; 91 Stat. 1243) regarding each study area de-*
19 *scribed in subsection (b) are adequate for the consid-*
20 *eration of the suitability of each study area for inclu-*
21 *sion as a component of the National Wilderness Pres-*
22 *ervation System; and*

23 (2) *the Secretary of Agriculture is not re-*
24 *quired—*

1 (A) to review the wilderness option for each
2 study area described in subsection (b) prior to
3 the revision of the forest plan required for each
4 land that comprises each study area in accord-
5 ance with the Forest and Rangeland Renewable
6 Resources Planning Act of 1974 (16 U.S.C. 1600
7 et seq.); and

8 (B) to manage the portion of each study
9 area described in subsection (b) that is not des-
10 ignated as wilderness by section 203 to ensure
11 the suitability of the area for designation as a
12 component of the National Wilderness Preserva-
13 tion System pending revision of the applicable
14 forest plan.

15 (b) DESCRIPTION OF STUDY AREAS.—The study areas
16 referred to in subsection (a) are those portions of the fol-
17 lowing wilderness study areas which are not designated as
18 wilderness by section 203:

19 (1) The portion of the Sapphire Wilderness
20 Study Area that is located on the Beaverhead-
21 Deerlodge National Forest, as described in section
22 2(4) of the Montana Wilderness Study Act of 1977
23 (Public Law 95–150; 91 Stat. 1243).

24 (2) The West Pioneer Wilderness Study Area, as
25 described in section 2(1) of the Montana Wilderness

1 *Study Act of 1977 (Public Law 95–150; 91 Stat.*
2 *1243).*

3 **SEC. 207. SPECIAL MANAGEMENT AND RECREATION MAN-**
4 **AGEMENT AREAS.**

5 (a) *DESIGNATION.*—*To conserve, protect, and enhance*
6 *the scenic, fish and wildlife, recreational, backcountry herit-*
7 *age, and other natural resource values of the areas, the fol-*
8 *lowing areas in the State are designated for special man-*
9 *agement by the Secretary concerned in accordance with this*
10 *section:*

11 (1) *HIGHLANDS SPECIAL MANAGEMENT AREA.*—
12 *Certain Federal land in the Beaverhead-Deerlodge*
13 *National Forest, comprising approximately 5,011*
14 *acres, as generally depicted on the map entitled*
15 *“Highlands Wilderness Area and Special Manage-*
16 *ment Area” and dated September 13, 2010, which is*
17 *designated as the “Highlands Special Management*
18 *Area”.*

19 (2) *LOST CREEK RECREATION MANAGEMENT*
20 *AREA.*—*Certain Federal land in the Beaverhead-*
21 *Deerlodge National Forest, comprising approximately*
22 *14,589 acres, as generally depicted on the map enti-*
23 *tled “Lost Creek Recreation Management Area” and*
24 *dated September 13, 2010, which is designated as the*
25 *“Lost Creek Recreation Management Area”.*

1 (3) *OTATSY RECREATION MANAGEMENT AREA.*—
2 *Certain Federal land in the Lolo National Forest,*
3 *comprising approximately 1,859 acres, as generally*
4 *depicted on the map entitled “Bob Marshall, Mission*
5 *Mountains and Scapegoat Wilderness Additions and*
6 *Otatsy Recreation Management Area” and dated Sep-*
7 *tember 13, 2010, which is designated as the “Otatsy*
8 *Recreation Management Area”.*

9 (4) *RODERICK SPECIAL MANAGEMENT AREA.*—
10 *Certain Federal land in the Kootenai National For-*
11 *est, comprising approximately 3,715 acres, as gen-*
12 *erally depicted on the map entitled “Roderick Wilder-*
13 *ness and Special Management Area and Three Rivers*
14 *Special Management Area” and dated September 13,*
15 *2010, which is designated as the “Roderick Special*
16 *Management Area”.*

17 (5) *SNOWCREST SPECIAL MANAGEMENT AREA.*—
18 *Certain Federal land in the Beaverhead-Deerlodge*
19 *National Forest, comprising approximately 20,493*
20 *acres, as generally depicted on the map entitled*
21 *“Snowcrest Special Management Area” and dated*
22 *December 17, 2013, which is designated as the*
23 *“Snowcrest Special Management Area”.*

24 (6) *THREE RIVERS SPECIAL MANAGEMENT*
25 *AREA.*—*Certain Federal land in the Kootenai Na-*

1 *tional Forest, comprising approximately 71,994 acres,*
2 *as generally depicted on the map entitled “Roderick*
3 *Wilderness and Special Management Area and Three*
4 *Rivers Special Management Area” and dated Sep-*
5 *tember 13, 2010, which is designated as the “Three*
6 *Rivers Special Management Area”.*

7 (7) *THUNDERBOLT CREEK RECREATION MANAGE-*
8 *MENT AREA.—Certain Federal land in the Beaver-*
9 *head-Deerlodge National Forest, comprising approxi-*
10 *mately 20,432 acres, as generally depicted on the map*
11 *entitled “Electric Peak Wilderness and Thunderbolt*
12 *Creek Recreation Management Area” and dated Sep-*
13 *tember 13, 2010, which is designated as the “Thun-*
14 *derbolt Recreation Management Area”.*

15 (8) *TOBACCO ROOTS RECREATION MANAGEMENT*
16 *AREA.—Certain Federal land in the Beaverhead-*
17 *Deerlodge National Forest, comprising approximately*
18 *29,186 acres, as generally depicted on the map enti-*
19 *tled “Tobacco Roots Recreation Management Area”*
20 *and dated September 13, 2010, which is designated as*
21 *the “Tobacco Roots Recreation Management Area”.*

22 (9) *WEST BIG HOLE RECREATION MANAGEMENT*
23 *AREA.—Certain Federal land in the Beaverhead-*
24 *Deerlodge National Forest comprising approximately*
25 *95,144 acres, as generally depicted on the map enti-*

1 *tled “West Big Hole Wilderness and Recreation Man-*
2 *agement Area” and dated September 13, 2010, which*
3 *is designated as the “West Big Hole Recreation Man-*
4 *agement Area”.*

5 (10) *WEST PIONEERS RECREATION MANAGEMENT*
6 *AREA.—Certain Federal land in the Beaverhead-*
7 *Deerlodge National Forest, comprising approximately*
8 *128,361 acres, as generally depicted on the map enti-*
9 *tled “West Pioneers Wilderness and Recreation Man-*
10 *agement Area” and dated September 13, 2010, which*
11 *is designated as the “West Pioneers Recreation Man-*
12 *agement Area”.*

13 (b) *ADMINISTRATION.—*

14 (1) *APPLICABLE LAW.—*

15 (A) *IN GENERAL.—The Secretary concerned*
16 *shall administer each area designated by sub-*
17 *section (a)—*

18 (i) *in furtherance of the purposes for*
19 *which the area is established; and*

20 (ii) *in accordance with—*

21 (I) *this section; and*

22 (II) *any laws (including regula-*
23 *tions) relating to the National Forest*
24 *System.*

1 (B) *CLOSURE OF TRAILS.*—*Nothing in this*
2 *title precludes the Secretary concerned from clos-*
3 *ing any trail or area located in the areas des-*
4 *ignated by subsection (a)—*

5 *(i) to protect a natural resource; or*

6 *(ii) to help ensure public safety.*

7 (2) *WITHDRAWAL.*—*Subject to valid existing*
8 *rights, any Federal land within an area designated*
9 *by subsection (a) (including any Federal land ac-*
10 *quired after the date of enactment of this Act for in-*
11 *clusion in an area designated by subsection (a)) is*
12 *withdrawn from all forms of—*

13 *(A) entry, appropriation, or disposal under*
14 *the public land laws;*

15 *(B) location, entry, and patent under the*
16 *mining laws; and*

17 *(C) disposition under all laws pertaining to*
18 *mineral and geothermal leasing or mineral ma-*
19 *terials.*

20 (3) *TIMBER HARVESTING.*—

21 *(A) IN GENERAL.*—*Except as provided in*
22 *subparagraph (B) or as authorized under sub-*
23 *section (c), timber harvesting shall not be per-*
24 *mitted within an area designated by subsection*
25 *(a).*

1 (B) *FIRE, INSECTS, AND DISEASE.*—*Timber*
2 *harvesting may be permitted in an area des-*
3 *ignated by subsection (a) to the extent consistent*
4 *with protecting and preserving the purposes of*
5 *the areas designated by subsection (a) for pur-*
6 *poses relating to the necessary control of fire, in-*
7 *sects, and disease.*

8 (4) *USE OF MOTORIZED OR MECHANIZED VEHI-*
9 *CLES.*—

10 (A) *IN GENERAL.*—*Nothing in this section*
11 *affects the use of motorized or mechanized vehi-*
12 *cles that the Secretary concerned determines is*
13 *necessary for administrative use or to respond to*
14 *an emergency.*

15 (B) *MECHANIZED VEHICLES, PEDESTRIANS,*
16 *AND HORSE TRAVEL.*—*Except as authorized*
17 *under subsection (c), nothing in this section pro-*
18 *hibits—*

19 (i) *the use of mechanized vehicles, ac-*
20 *cess by pedestrians, or horse travel within*
21 *the areas designated by subsection (a); or*

22 (ii) *the construction of trails for use by*
23 *mechanized vehicles, pedestrians, and horse*
24 *travel within the areas designated by sub-*
25 *section (a).*

1 (5) *FIREWOOD.*—*The Secretary concerned may*
 2 *allow for the collection of firewood for noncommercial*
 3 *personal use within the areas designated by subsection*
 4 *(a)—*

5 *(A) in accordance with any applicable laws;*

6 *and*

7 *(B) subject to such terms and conditions as*
 8 *the Secretary concerned determines to be appro-*
 9 *priate.*

10 *(c) AREA SPECIFIC MANAGEMENT REQUIREMENTS.—*

11 *(1) HIGHLANDS SPECIAL MANAGEMENT AREA.—*

12 *(A) CAMPGROUND DEVELOPMENT.—No per-*
 13 *manent campground may be constructed within*
 14 *the Highlands Special Management Area.*

15 *(B) MOTORIZED AND MECHANIZED RECRE-*
 16 *ATION.—Except as provided in subparagraph*
 17 *(C), and as necessary for administrative use or*
 18 *to respond to an emergency, the use of motorized*
 19 *or mechanized vehicles within the Highlands*
 20 *Special Management Area shall be prohibited.*

21 *(C) TRANSMISSION TOWERS AND MUNICIPAL*
 22 *WATER PIPELINES.—Nothing in this section af-*
 23 *fects—*

24 *(i) the reasonable access of the govern-*
 25 *ment of the applicable county to operate*

1 *and maintain the communication site lo-*
2 *cated on Table Mountain under a special*
3 *use permit issued by the Forest Service; and*

4 *(ii) the reasonable access of the city of*
5 *Butte, Montana, to operate, maintain, and*
6 *if necessary, upgrade or replace the water*
7 *supply pipeline within the Highlands Spe-*
8 *cial Management Area in existence as of the*
9 *date of enactment of this Act for the city of*
10 *Butte (including the surrounding commu-*
11 *nity of the city of Butte).*

12 *(D) HELICOPTER LANDINGS.—Nothing in*
13 *this section precludes or restricts the authority of*
14 *the Secretary concerned to enter into agreements*
15 *with the Secretary of Defense or the Montana*
16 *National Guard to authorize limited and sched-*
17 *uled landings of aircraft in the Highlands Spe-*
18 *cial Management Area.*

19 *(2) LOST CREEK, THUNDERBOLT, AND WEST PIO-*
20 *NEERS RECREATION MANAGEMENT AREAS.—*

21 *(A) MOTORIZED RECREATION.—Subject to*
22 *any terms and conditions the Secretary con-*
23 *cerned determines to be necessary, the use of mo-*
24 *torized vehicles within the Lost Creek, Thunder-*

1 *bolt, and West Pioneers Recreation Management*
 2 *Areas shall be limited to—*

3 *(i) roads, trails, or areas that, as of the*
 4 *date of enactment of this Act, are designated*
 5 *roads, trails, or areas; and*

6 *(ii) during periods of adequate snow*
 7 *cover, the areas authorized for snowmobile*
 8 *use as of the date of enactment of this Act.*

9 *(B) CAMPGROUND DEVELOPMENT.—No per-*
 10 *manent campground may be constructed within*
 11 *the Lost Creek Recreation Area.*

12 *(3) OTATSY RECREATION MANAGEMENT AREA.—*

13 *(A) MOTORIZED AND MECHANIZED RECRE-*
 14 *ATION.—*

15 *(i) IN GENERAL.—The use of motorized*
 16 *and mechanized vehicles in the Otatsy*
 17 *Recreation Management Area shall be per-*
 18 *mitted only on the roads, trails, and areas*
 19 *that are designated for use by motorized*
 20 *and mechanized vehicles by the management*
 21 *plan required under subparagraph (B).*

22 *(ii) INTERIM MANAGEMENT.—Until the*
 23 *date on which the management plan re-*
 24 *quired under subparagraph (B) is ap-*
 25 *proved, and subject to any terms and condi-*

1 *tions that the Secretary concerned deter-*
2 *mines to be necessary, the use of motorized*
3 *or mechanized vehicles in the Otatsy Recre-*
4 *ation Management Area shall be limited to*
5 *the roads and trails designated for such use*
6 *as of the date of enactment of this Act, ex-*
7 *cept that during periods of adequate snow*
8 *cover, the use of snowmobiles shall be al-*
9 *lowed within the Otatsy Recreation Man-*
10 *agement Area.*

11 *(B) MANAGEMENT PLAN.—The Secretary*
12 *concerned shall prepare a management plan for*
13 *the Otatsy Recreation Management Area as part*
14 *of the first revision of the applicable forest plan*
15 *that is carried out after the date of enactment of*
16 *this Act.*

17 *(4) THREE RIVERS AND RODERICK SPECIAL MAN-*
18 *AGEMENT AREAS.—*

19 *(A) MOTORIZED AND MECHANIZED RECRE-*
20 *ATION.—Except as provided in subparagraphs*
21 *(B) and (C), the use of motorized or mechanized*
22 *vehicles within the Three Rivers Special Manage-*
23 *ment Area and the Roderick Special Manage-*
24 *ment Area shall be limited to the roads on which*

1 *use by highway legal vehicles is permitted as of*
2 *the date of enactment of this Act.*

3 (B) *SNOWMOBILE AREA.*—*Subject to any*
4 *terms and conditions the Secretary concerned de-*
5 *termines to be necessary, during periods of ade-*
6 *quate snow cover, the use of snowmobiles shall be*
7 *allowed in the areas designated as “motorized”*
8 *in the map entitled “Roderick Wilderness and*
9 *Special Management Area and Three Rivers*
10 *Special Management Area” and dated December*
11 *17, 2013.*

12 (C) *GAME CARTS.*—*The Secretary concerned*
13 *may authorize the use of nonmotorized game*
14 *carts in the area identified as “Roderick Special*
15 *Management Area” on the map described in sub-*
16 *paragraph (B).*

17 (D) *CAMPGROUND DEVELOPMENT.*—*No per-*
18 *manent campground may be constructed in the*
19 *Three Rivers Special Management Area or the*
20 *Roderick Special Management Area.*

21 (5) *SNOWCREST SPECIAL MANAGEMENT AREA.*—
22 *The Secretary concerned may authorize the use of*
23 *nonmotorized game carts within the Snowcrest Spe-*
24 *cial Management Area.*

1 (6) *TOBACCO ROOTS RECREATION MANAGEMENT*
2 *AREA.*—*Subject to any terms and conditions that the*
3 *Secretary concerned determines to be necessary, the*
4 *use of motorized vehicles shall be limited to the roads*
5 *and trails in the Tobacco Roots Recreation Manage-*
6 *ment Area designated for such use as of the date of*
7 *enactment of this Act.*

8 (7) *WEST BIG HOLE RECREATION MANAGEMENT*
9 *AREA.*—

10 (A) *MOTORIZED RECREATION.*—*Subject to*
11 *any terms and conditions the Secretary con-*
12 *cerned determines to be necessary, the use of mo-*
13 *torized vehicles within the West Big Hole Recre-*
14 *ation Management Area shall be limited to—*

15 (i) *the roads, trails, and areas that, as*
16 *of the date of enactment of this Act, are des-*
17 *ignated roads, trails, or areas; and*

18 (ii) *during periods of adequate snow*
19 *cover, the areas authorized for snowmobile*
20 *use as of the date of enactment of this Act.*

21 (B) *TIMBER HARVEST.*—*The Secretary con-*
22 *cerned may authorize post and pole, firewood,*
23 *and fuel reduction timber projects in the West*
24 *Big Hole Recreation Management Area, subject*

1 *to such terms and conditions that the Secretary*
2 *concerned determines to be appropriate.*

3 **SEC. 208. ALL-TERRAIN-VEHICLE STUDY AND REPORT.**

4 *Not later than 1 year after the date of enactment of*
5 *this Act, the Secretary concerned shall study and report*
6 *on—*

7 (1) *the opportunities for expanded all-terrain ve-*
8 *hicle roads and trails across the Three Rivers District*
9 *and adjacent areas on the Kootenai National Forest;*

10 (2) *the interconnectedness of roads on private or*
11 *State land; and*

12 (3) *the opportunities for expanded access points*
13 *to existing trails.*

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A BILL

To sustain the economic development and recreational use of National Forest System land and other public land in the State of Montana, to add certain land to the National Wilderness Preservation System, to release certain wilderness study areas, to designate new areas for recreation, and for other purposes.

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