

117TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. R. 1174

To amend the Forest and Rangeland Renewable Resources Planning Act of 1974 and the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976 to provide that the Secretary of Agriculture and the Secretary of the Interior are not required to reinitiate consultation on a land management plan or land use plan under certain circumstances, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

FEBRUARY 18, 2021

Mr. ROSENDALE (for himself, Mr. WESTERMAN, Mr. SIMPSON, Mr. NEWHOUSE, Mr. GOSAR, Mr. FULCHER, Mr. BAIRD, Mr. LAMALFA, Ms. HERRELL, and Mrs. BOEBERT) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Natural Resources, and in addition to the Committee on Agriculture, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned

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,*

1 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

2 This Act may be cited as the “Forest Information
3 Reform Act” or the “FIR Act”.

4 **SEC. 2. NO ADDITIONAL CONSULTATION REQUIRED.**

5 (a) **FOREST SERVICE PLANS.**—Section 6(d)(2) of the
6 Forest and Rangeland Renewable Resources Planning Act
7 of 1974 (16 U.S.C. 1604(d)(2)) is amended to read as
8 follows:

9 “(2) **NO ADDITIONAL CONSULTATION RE-**
10 **QUIRED UNDER CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES.**—Not-
11 withstanding any other provision of law, the Sec-
12 retary shall not be required to reinitiate consultation
13 under section 7(a)(2) of the Endangered Species Act
14 of 1973 (16 U.S.C. 1536(a)(2)) or section 402.16 of
15 title 50, Code of Federal Regulations (or a successor
16 regulation), on a land management plan approved,
17 amended, or revised under this section when a spe-
18 cies is listed, critical habitat is designated, or new
19 information concerning a listed species or critical
20 habitat becomes available.”.

21 (b) **BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT PLANS.**—Sec-
22 tion 202 of the Federal Land Policy and Management Act
23 of 1976 (43 U.S.C. 1712) is amended by adding at the
24 end the following:

25 “(g) **NO ADDITIONAL CONSULTATION REQUIRED**
26 **UNDER CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES.**—Notwithstanding

1 any other provision of law, the Secretary shall not be re-
2 quired to reinitiate consultation under section 7(a)(2) of
3 the Endangered Species Act of 1973 (16 U.S.C.
4 1536(a)(2)) or section 402.16 of title 50, Code of Federal
5 Regulations (or a successor regulation), on a land use plan
6 approved, amended, or revised under this section when a
7 species is listed, critical habitat is designated, or new in-
8 formation concerning a listed species or critical habitat be-
9 comes available.”.

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