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# H. R. 1319

**[Report No. 118–907, Part I]**

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to develop long-distance bike trails on Federal land.

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MARCH 1, 2023

Mr. NEGUSE (for himself, Mr. CURTIS, and Ms. LEE of Nevada) 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

DECEMBER 18, 2024

Additional sponsors: Mr. KHANNA, Mrs. GONZÁLEZ-COLÓN, Mrs. CHAVEZ-  
DEREMER, and Mr. MOLINARO

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Whole House on the State of the Union and ordered to be printed

# **A BILL**

To require the Secretary of the Interior and the Secretary of Agriculture to develop long-distance bike trails on Federal land.

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

3       **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4       This Act may be cited as the “Biking on Long-Dis-  
5       tance Trails Act”.

6       **SEC. 2. DEFINITIONS.**

7       In this Act:

8               (1) FEDERAL RECREATIONAL LANDS.—The  
9       term “Federal recreational lands” has the meaning  
10      given the term “Federal recreational lands and  
11      waters” in section 802(5) of the Federal Lands  
12      Recreation Enhancement Act (16 U.S.C. 6801(5)).

13             (2) LONG-DISTANCE BIKE TRAIL.—The term  
14      “long-distance bike trail” means a continuous route,  
15      consisting of 1 or more trails or rights-of-way,  
16      that—

17                     (A) is not less than 80 miles in length;

18                     (B) primarily makes use of dirt or natural  
19      surface trails;

20                     (C) may require connections along paved  
21      or other improved roads;

22                     (D) does not include Federal recreational  
23      lands where mountain biking or related activi-  
24      ties are not consistent with management re-

1           quirements for those Federal recreational lands;  
2           and

3           (E) to the maximum extent practicable,  
4           makes use of trails and roads that were on Fed-  
5           eral recreational lands on or before the date of  
6           the enactment of this Act.

7           (3) SECRETARIES.—The term “Secretaries”  
8           means the Secretary of the Interior and the Sec-  
9           retary of Agriculture, acting jointly.

10          (4) SECRETARY CONCERNED.—The term “Sec-  
11         retary concerned” means the following:

12                 (A) The Secretary of the Interior, with re-  
13                 spect to Federal recreational lands under the  
14                 jurisdiction of that Secretary.

15                 (B) The Secretary of Agriculture, with re-  
16                 spect to Federal recreational lands under the  
17                 jurisdiction of that Secretary.

18         **SEC. 3. LONG-DISTANCE BIKE TRAILS ON FEDERAL REC-**  
19                 **REATIONAL LANDS.**

20           (a) IDENTIFICATION OF LONG-DISTANCE TRAILS.—  
21         Not later than 18 months after the date of the enactment  
22         of this Act, the Secretaries shall identify—

23                 (1) not fewer than 10 long-distance bike trails  
24                 that make use of trails and roads in existence on the  
25                 date of the enactment of this Act; and

1           (2) not fewer than 10 areas in which there is  
2           an opportunity to develop or complete a trail that  
3           would qualify as a long-distance bike trail.

4           (b) PUBLIC COMMENT.—The Secretaries shall—

5           (1) develop a process to allow members of the  
6           public to comment regarding the identification of  
7           trails and areas under subsection (a); and

8           (2) consider the identification, development,  
9           and completion of long-distance bike trails in a geo-  
10          graphically equitable manner.

11          (c) MAPS, SIGNAGE, AND PROMOTIONAL MATE-  
12          RIALS.—For any long-distance bike trail identified under  
13          subsection (a), the Secretary concerned may—

14          (1) publish and distribute maps, install signage,  
15          and issue promotional materials; and

16          (2) coordinate with stakeholders to leverage any  
17          non-Federal resources necessary for the stewardship,  
18          development, or completion of trails.

19          (d) REPORT.—Not later than 2 years after the date  
20          of the enactment of this Act, the Secretaries, in partner-  
21          ship with interested organizations, shall prepare and pub-  
22          lish a report that lists the trails identified under sub-  
23          section (a), including a summary of public comments re-  
24          ceived in accordance with the process developed under sub-  
25          section (b).

1       (e) CONFLICT AVOIDANCE WITH OTHER USES.—The  
2 Secretary concerned shall ensure that each long-distance  
3 bike trail or area identified under subsection (a)—

4           (1) does not conflict with—

5               (A) the uses, before the date of the enact-  
6 ment of this Act, of any trail or road that is  
7 part of that long-distance bike trail;

8               (B) multiple-use areas where biking, hik-  
9 ing, horseback riding, or use by pack and sad-  
10 dle stock are existing uses on the date of the  
11 enactment of this Act;

12              (C) the purposes for which any trail was or  
13 is established under the National Trails System  
14 Act (16 U.S.C. 1241 et seq.); and

15              (D) any area managed under the Wilder-  
16 ness Act (16 U.S.C. 1131 et seq.); and

17           (2) complies with land use and management  
18 plans of the Federal recreational lands that are part  
19 of that long-distance bike trail.



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