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# H. R. 4166

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MARCH 6, 2014

Mr. THOMPSON of California introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Natural Resources

DECEMBER 22, 2014

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DECEMBER 22, 2014

Reported with an amendment, committed to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union, and ordered to be printed

[Strike out all after the enacting clause and insert the part printed in italic]

[For text of introduced bill, see copy of bill as introduced on March 6, 2014]

# A BILL

To transfer recreational management authority for Lake Berryessa in the State of California from the Bureau of Reclamation to the Bureau of Land Management, and for other purposes.

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   *“Lake Berryessa Recreation Enhancement Act of 2014”.*

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

Sec. 1. *Short title; table of contents.*

Sec. 2. *Findings; purposes.*

Sec. 3. *Definitions.*

Sec. 4. *Transfer of administrative jurisdiction.*

Sec. 5. *Management of Recreation Area.*

Sec. 6. *Continued authorities of Commissioner of Reclamation.*

Sec. 7. *Existing authorizations.*

8   **SEC. 2. FINDINGS; PURPOSES.**

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

10           (1) *the Monticello Dam—*

11              (A) *was authorized by the Reclamation*  
12   *Project Act of 1939 (53 Stat. 1187);*

13              (B) *resulted in the formation of Lake*  
14   *Berryessa; and*

15              (C) *is operated by the Bureau of Reclama-*  
16   *tion;*

17           (2) *Lake Berryessa—*

18              (A) *covers approximately 28,915 acres of*  
19   *surface water and land;*

20              (B) *has 165 miles of shoreline;*

21              (C) *has a 2,000 acre wildlife area on the*  
22   *east side;*

1                   (D) is located less than 100 miles from both  
2                   Sacramento, California and San Francisco,  
3                   California; and

4                   (E) has become an important regional  
5                   recreation destination; and

6                   (3) the recreational use at Lake Berryessa gen-  
7                   erates tourism that is important to local economies.

8                   (b) PURPOSES.—The purposes of this Act are—

9                   (1) to provide diverse, high quality recreational  
10                  facilities and services on the water and land sur-  
11                  rounding Lake Berryessa;

12                  (2) to conserve the natural, scenic, scientific, his-  
13                  toric, economic, recreational, and other resource val-  
14                  ues contributing to the public use and enjoyment of  
15                  that land and water;

16                  (3) to promote cooperation between the Federal  
17                  Government and private entities to manage that ex-  
18                  ceptional resource;

19                  (4) to authorize the Secretary to manage certain  
20                  resources under the Bureau of Land Management;  
21                  and

22                  (5) to transfer administrative jurisdiction over  
23                  certain Federal land for management as a unit of the  
24                  Bureau of Land Management.

1   **SEC. 3. DEFINITIONS.**

2       *In this Act:*

3           (1) *DAM.*—*The term “Dam” means—*

4              (A) *the Monticello Dam; and*

5              (B) *any facility relating to the Monticello  
6              Dam.*

7           (2) *RECREATION AREA.*—*The term “Recreation  
8              Area” means the Lake Berryessa Recreation Area des-  
9              ignated by section 4(a).*

10          (3) *SECRETARY.*—*The term “Secretary” means  
11              the Secretary of the Interior.*

12          (4) *STATE.*—*The term “State” means the State  
13              of California.*

14   **SEC. 4. TRANSFER OF ADMINISTRATIVE JURISDICTION.**

15          (a) *ESTABLISHMENT.*—*Subject to valid existing rights,  
16              there is established the Lake Berryessa Recreational Area,  
17              the boundaries of which are described in subsection (c). In  
18              administering the Recreation Area, the Secretary shall  
19              not—*

20              (1) *diminish the levels of day-use occupancy,  
21              short-term occupancy and annual occupancy as set  
22              forth in the recreational use plan adopted by the Bu-  
23              reau of Reclamation on June 2, 2006, for the Recre-  
24              ation Area;*

25              (2) *diminish motorized boating or alter the  
26              “Water Surface Zoning and Restrictions” developed*

1       under Action 17 of the 1993 Recreation Area Management Plan Record of Decision and continued in the  
2       recreational use plan adopted by the Bureau of Reclamation on June 2, 2006, for the Recreation Area;

5                 (3) close trails or limit recreational hiking and equine access to trails on lands in the Recreation  
6       Area; and

8                 (4) negatively impact hunting, fishing, shooting sports, or trapping on the lands and waters within  
9       the boundaries of the Recreation Area.

11       (b) *TRANSFER OF ADMINISTRATIVE JURISDICTION.*—  
12      Administrative jurisdiction over the Federal land described  
13     in subsection (c), including any improvements thereon, is  
14     transferred from the Bureau of Reclamation to the Bureau  
15     of Land Management for administration of the Recreation  
16     Area.

17       (c) *DESCRIPTION OF LAND.*—The land referred to in  
18     subsection (a) is the approximately 30,221 acres of land administered by the Bureau of Reclamation that is underlying  
19     or adjacent to Lake Berryessa and identified as “Lake  
20     Berryessa Reclamation Lands Solono Project” on the map  
21     dated September 15, 2014.

23     **SEC. 5. MANAGEMENT OF RECREATION AREA.**

24       (a) *IN GENERAL.*—Subject to the authority of the Secretary under section 6, the Secretary shall manage the

1   *Recreation Area in accordance with sections 601 through*  
2   *604 of Public Law 93–493.*

3       *(b) APPLICABLE LAW.—Subject to valid existing*  
4   *rights, the Secretary shall administer the Recreation Area*  
5   *in accordance with laws (including regulations) applicable*  
6   *to units of the public lands of the Bureau of Land Manage-*  
7   *ment.*

8       *(c) WATERS.—Nothing in this Act—*

9           *(1) affects the use or allocation, in existence on*  
10   *the date of the enactment of this Act, of any water,*  
11   *water right, or interest in water;*

12          *(2) affects any vested absolute or decreed condi-*  
13   *tional water right in existence on the date of the en-*  
14   *actment of this Act, including any water right held*  
15   *by the United States;*

16          *(3) affects any interstate water compact in exist-*  
17   *ence on the date of the enactment of this Act;*

18          *(4) authorizes or imposes any new reserved Fed-*  
19   *eral water rights;*

20          *(5) relinquishes or reduces any water rights re-*  
21   *served or appropriated by the United States in the*  
22   *State on or before the date of the enactment of this*  
23   *Act;*

24          *(6) impairs the ability of the Bureau of Rec-*  
25   *lamation and its managing partners to operate,*

1       *maintain, or manage Monticello Dam and other Solano Project facilities in accordance with the purposes  
2       of such project; or*

4           *(7) modifies, changes, or supersedes any water  
5       contract or agreements approved or administered by  
6       the Bureau of Reclamation or Solano County Water  
7       Agency or Solano Irrigation District.*

8       *(d) EXISTING AGREEMENTS.—To benefit the interests  
9       of the public, the Secretary shall act in accordance with  
10      any agreement in existence on the date of the enactment  
11      of this Act, including those with any organization for the  
12      management of—*

13           *(1) campgrounds located in the Recreation Area;*

14           *(2) marinas located in the Recreation Area;*

15           *(3) lodging facilities located in the Recreation  
16      Area;*

17           *(4) food and beverage services located in the  
18      Recreation Area; and*

19           *(5) boating and boat rental facilities located in  
20      the Recreation Area.*

21       *(e) ADOPTION OF RECREATIONAL USE PLAN.—To  
22      manage the Recreation Area, the Secretary shall adopt and  
23      use the recreational use plan adopted by the Bureau of Rec-  
24      lamation on June 2, 2006, for the Recreational Area. The  
25      adoption of this plan shall not constitute a major federal*

1 action for the purposes of the National Environmental Pol-  
2 icy Act of 1969 (42 U.S.C. 4321 et seq.). This action is  
3 not subject to judicial review.

4 **SEC. 6. CONTINUED AUTHORITIES OF COMMISSIONER OF**  
5 ***RECLAMATION.***

6 Nothing in this Act or any subsequent management  
7 plan shall impair the ability of the Bureau of Reclamation  
8 and its managing partners to operate, maintain, or manage  
9 Monticello Dam, Lake Berryessa, and other Solano Project  
10 facilities in accordance with that project's authorized pur-  
11 poses. The Commissioner of Reclamation shall continue to  
12 administer and operate—

- 13 (1) the Dam; and  
14 (2) any power facility relating to the Dam.

15 **SEC. 7. EXISTING AUTHORIZATIONS.**

16 (a) *IN GENERAL.*—Except as provided in subsections  
17 (b) and (c), nothing in this Act affects any authorization  
18 in effect as of the date of the enactment of this Act made  
19 by any department or agency of the Federal Government  
20 for the use of land or water located within the Recreation  
21 Area (referred to in this section as an “existing authoriza-  
22 tion”).

23 (b) *ASSUMPTION OF EXISTING AUTHORIZATION.*—Not  
24 later than 1 year after the date of the enactment of this  
25 Act, the Secretary shall assume the administration of any

1   *existing authorization, with such revisions as necessary to*  
2   *align the authorization with existing law and policies of*  
3   *the Bureau of Land Management.*

4           (c) *RENEWAL OF EXISTING AUTHORIZATION.—The re-*  
5   *newal of any existing authorization shall be made in ac-*  
6   *cordance with such terms and conditions as the Secretary*  
7   *may prescribe.*



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