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To provide for national security benefits for White Sands Missile Range
and Fort Bliss.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

APRIL 17, 2013

Mr. HEINRICH (for himself, Mr. UDALL of New Mexico, and Mr. CORNYN)
introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the
Committee on Energy and Natural Resources

MAY 14, 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. WHITE SANDS MISSILE RANGE AND FORT**
4 **BLISS.**

5 (a) **WITHDRAWAL.**—

1 (1) IN GENERAL.—Subject to valid existing
2 rights and paragraph (3), the Federal land described
3 in paragraph (2) is withdrawn from—

4 (A) entry, appropriation, and disposal
5 under the public land laws;

6 (B) location, entry, and patent under the
7 mining laws; and

8 (C) operation of the mineral leasing, min-
9 eral materials, and geothermal leasing laws.

10 (2) DESCRIPTION OF FEDERAL LAND.—The
11 Federal land referred to in paragraph (1) consists
12 of—

13 (A) the approximately 5,100 acres of land
14 depicted as “Parcel 1” on the map entitled
15 “White Sands Missile Range/Fort Bliss/BLM
16 Land Transfer and Withdrawal” and dated
17 April 3, 2012 (referred to in this section as the
18 “map”);

19 (B) the approximately 37,600 acres of land
20 depicted as “Parcel 2”, “Parcel 3”, and “Par-
21 cel 4” on the map; and

22 (C) any land or interest in land that is ac-
23 quired by the United States within the bound-
24 aries of the parcels described in subparagraph
25 (B).

1 (3) LIMITATION.—Notwithstanding paragraph
 2 (1), the land depicted as “Parcel 4” on the map is
 3 not withdrawn for purposes of the issuance of oil
 4 and gas pipeline rights-of-way.

5 (b) RESERVATION.—The Federal land described in
 6 subsection (a)(2)(A) is reserved for use by the Secretary
 7 of the Army for military purposes in accordance with Pub-
 8 lic Land Order 833, dated May 21, 1952 (17 Fed. Reg.
 9 4822).

10 (c) ~~TRANSFER OF ADMINISTRATIVE JURISDIC-~~
 11 ~~TION.—Effective on the date of enactment of this Act, ad-~~
 12 ~~ministrative jurisdiction over the approximately 2,050~~
 13 ~~acres of land generally depicted as “Parcel 2” on the~~
 14 ~~map—~~

15 ~~(1) is transferred from the Secretary of the~~
 16 ~~Army to the Secretary of the Interior (acting~~
 17 ~~through the Director of the Bureau of Land Man-~~
 18 ~~agement); and~~

19 ~~(2) shall be managed in accordance with—~~

20 ~~(A) the Federal Land Policy and Manage-~~
 21 ~~ment Act of 1976 (43 U.S.C. 1701 et seq.); and~~

22 ~~(B) any other applicable laws.~~

23 (c) *REVOCATION OF WITHDRAWAL; MANAGEMENT.—*
 24 *Effective on the date of enactment of this Act—*

1 (1) *Public Land Order 833, dated May 21, 1952*
 2 *(17 Fed. Reg. 4822), is revoked with respect to the ap-*
 3 *proximately 2,050 acres of land generally depicted as*
 4 *“Parcel 2” on the map; and*

5 (2) *the land described in paragraph (1) shall be*
 6 *managed by the Secretary of the Interior as public*
 7 *land, in accordance with—*

8 (A) *the Federal Land Policy and Manage-*
 9 *ment Act of 1976 (43 U.S.C. 1701 et seq.); and*

10 (B) *any other applicable laws.*

11 (d) **LEGAL DESCRIPTION.—**

12 (1) **IN GENERAL.—**As soon as practicable after
 13 the date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary of
 14 the Interior shall publish in the Federal Register a
 15 legal description of the Federal land withdrawn by
 16 subsection (a).

17 (2) **FORCE OF LAW.—**The legal description pub-
 18 lished under paragraph (1) shall have the same force
 19 and effect as if included in this Act, except that the
 20 Secretary of the Interior may correct errors in the
 21 legal description.

22 (3) **REIMBURSEMENT OF COSTS.—**The Sec-
 23 retary of the Army shall reimburse the Secretary of
 24 the Interior for any costs incurred by the Secretary
 25 of the Interior in implementing this subsection with

- 1 regard to the Federal land described in subsection
- 2 (a)(2)(A).

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