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AN ACT

To facilitate certain pinyon-juniper related projects in Lincoln County, Nevada, to modify the boundaries of certain wilderness areas in the State of Nevada, and to provide for the implementation of a conservation plan for the Virgin River, Nevada.

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 “Eastern Nevada Land
3 Implementation Improvement Act”.

4 **SEC. 2. FACILITATION OF PINYON-JUNIPER RELATED**
5 **PROJECTS IN LINCOLN COUNTY, NEVADA.**

6 (a) FACILITATION OF PINYON-JUNIPER RELATED
7 PROJECTS.—

8 (1) AVAILABILITY OF SPECIAL ACCOUNT UNDER
9 LINCOLN COUNTY LAND ACT OF 2000.—Section 5(b)
10 of the Lincoln County Land Act of 2000 (Public
11 Law 106–298; 114 Stat. 1048) is amended—

12 (A) in paragraph (1)—

13 (i) in subparagraph (B), by inserting
14 “and implementation” after “develop-
15 ment”; and

16 (ii) in subparagraph (C)—

17 (I) in clause (i), by striking “;
18 and” at the end and inserting a semi-
19 colon; and

20 (II) by adding at the end the fol-
21 lowing:

22 “(iii) development and implementation
23 of comprehensive, cost-effective, and multi-
24 jurisdictional hazardous fuels reduction
25 projects and wildfire prevention planning
26 activities (particularly for pinyon-juniper

dominated landscapes) and other range-
land and woodland restoration projects
within the County, consistent with the Ely
Resource Management Plan or a subse-
quent amendment to the plan; and”;

(B) by adding at the end the following:

“(3) COOPERATIVE AGREEMENTS.—Establish-
ment of cooperative agreements between the Bureau
of Land Management and the County shall be re-
quired for any County-provided law enforcement and
planning related activities approved by the Secretary
regarding—

“(A) wilderness in the County designated
by the Lincoln County Conservation, Recre-
ation, and Development Act of 2004 (Public
Law 108–424; 118 Stat. 2403);

“(B) cultural resources identified, pro-
tected, and managed pursuant to that Act;

“(C) planning, management, and law en-
forcement associated with the Silver State OHV
Trail designated by that Act; and

“(D) planning associated with land dis-
posal and related land use authorizations re-
quired for utility corridors and rights-of-way to
serve land that has been, or is to be, disposed

1 of pursuant to that Act (other than rights-of-
2 way granted pursuant to that Act) and this
3 Act.”.

4 (2) AVAILABILITY OF SPECIAL ACCOUNT UNDER
5 LINCOLN COUNTY CONSERVATION, RECREATION,
6 AND DEVELOPMENT ACT OF 2004.—Section 103 of
7 the Lincoln County Conservation, Recreation, and
8 Development Act of 2004 (Public Law 108–424;
9 118 Stat. 2406) is amended—

10 (A) in subsection (b)(3)—

11 (i) in subparagraph (E), by striking “;
12 and” at the end and inserting a semicolon;

13 (ii) in subparagraph (F), by striking
14 the period at the end and inserting “;
15 and”; and

16 (iii) by adding at the end the fol-
17 lowing:

18 “(G) development and implementation of
19 comprehensive, cost-effective, and multijuris-
20 dictional hazardous fuels reduction and wildfire
21 prevention planning activities (particularly for
22 pinyon-juniper dominated landscapes) and other
23 rangeland and woodland restoration projects
24 within the County, consistent with the Ely Re-

1 source Management Plan or a subsequent
2 amendment to the plan.”; and

3 (B) by adding at the end the following:

4 “(d) COOPERATIVE AGREEMENTS.—Establishment
5 of cooperative agreements between the Bureau of Land
6 Management and the County shall be required for any
7 County-provided law enforcement and planning related ac-
8 tivities approved by the Secretary regarding—

9 “(1) wilderness in the County designated by
10 this Act;

11 “(2) cultural resources identified, protected,
12 and managed pursuant to this Act;

13 “(3) planning, management, and law enforce-
14 ment associated with the Silver State OHV Trail
15 designated by this Act; and

16 “(4) planning associated with land disposal and
17 related land use authorizations required for utility
18 corridors and rights-of-way to serve land that has
19 been, or is to be, disposed of pursuant to this Act
20 (other than rights-of-way granted pursuant to this
21 Act) and the Lincoln County Land Act of 2000
22 (Public Law 106–298; 114 Stat. 1046).”.

23 (b) DISPOSITION OF PROCEEDS.—

24 (1) DISPOSITION OF PROCEEDS UNDER LIN-
25 COLN COUNTY LAND ACT OF 2000.—Section 5(a)(2)

1 of the Lincoln County Land Act of 2000 (Public
2 Law 106–298; 114 Stat. 1047) is amended by in-
3 serting “and the Lincoln County Regional Develop-
4 ment Authority” after “schools”.

5 (2) DISPOSITION OF PROCEEDS UNDER LIN-
6 COLN COUNTY CONSERVATION, RECREATION, AND
7 DEVELOPMENT ACT OF 2004.—Section 103(b)(2) of
8 the Lincoln County Conservation, Recreation, and
9 Development Act of 2004 (Public Law 108–424;
10 118 Stat. 2405) is amended by striking “and trans-
11 portation” and inserting “transportation, and the
12 Lincoln County Regional Development Authority or
13 any other County economic development organiza-
14 tion”.

15 (c) REALIGN A PORTION OF THE LCCRDA UTILITY
16 CORRIDOR.—Section 301(a) of the Lincoln County Con-
17 servation, Recreation, and Development Act of 2004 (Pub-
18 lic Law 108–424; 118 Stat. 2413) establishes a 2,640-
19 foot wide utility corridor as depicted on a map dated Octo-
20 ber 1, 2004. The Secretary of the Interior shall realign
21 a portion of the corridor by removing the designation in
22 sections 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 14, and 15, T. 7 N., R.
23 68 E. and realigning the corridor to sections 31, 32, and
24 33, T. 8 N., R. 68 E.; sections 4, 5, and 6, T. 7 N., R.

1 68 E.; and sections 1 and 12, T. 7 N., 67 E. as shown
2 on the October 1, 2004, map.

3 (d) FINAL CORRECTIVE PATENT IN CLARK COUNTY,
4 NEVADA.—

5 (1) VALIDATION OF PATENT.—Patent number
6 27–2005–0081 issued by the Bureau of Land Man-
7 agement on February 18, 2005, is affirmed and vali-
8 dated as having been issued pursuant to, and in
9 compliance with, the Nevada-Florida Land Ex-
10 change Authorization Act of 1988 (Public Law 100–
11 275; 102 Stat. 52), the National Environmental Pol-
12 icy Act of 1969 (42 U.S.C. 4321 et seq.), and the
13 Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976
14 (43 U.S.C. 1701 et seq.) for the benefit of the desert
15 tortoise, other species, and the habitat of the desert
16 tortoise and other species to increase the likelihood
17 of the recovery of the desert tortoise and other spe-
18 cies.

19 (2) RATIFICATION OF RECONFIGURATION.—The
20 process used by the United States Fish and Wildlife
21 Service and the Bureau of Land Management in re-
22 configuring the land described in paragraph (1), as
23 depicted on Exhibit 1–4 of the Final Environmental
24 Impact Statement for the Planned Development
25 Project MSHCP, Lincoln County, NV (FWS–R8–

1 ES-2008-N0136) and the reconfiguration provided
2 for in Special Condition 10 of the Army Corps of
3 Engineers Permit No. 000005042 are ratified.

4 (e) FINAL LAND RECONFIGURATION IN LINCOLN
5 COUNTY, NEVADA.—

6 (1) DEFINITIONS.—In this subsection:

7 (A) MAP.—The term “Map” means the
8 map prepared by the Bureau of Land Manage-
9 ment entitled “Proposed Lincoln County Land
10 Reconfiguration” and dated January 28, 2016.

11 (B) SECRETARY.—The term “Secretary”
12 means the Secretary of the Interior, acting
13 through the Director of the Bureau of Land
14 Management.

15 (2) ISSUANCE OF LINCOLN COUNTY CORREC-
16 TIVE PATENT.—

17 (A) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary may
18 issue a corrective patent for 7,548 acres of land
19 in Lincoln County, Nevada, that is depicted on
20 the Map.

21 (B) APPLICABLE LAW.—A corrective pat-
22 ent issued under subparagraph (A) shall be
23 considered to have been issued pursuant to, and
24 in compliance with, the Nevada-Florida Land

1 Exchange Authorization Act of 1988 (Public
2 Law 100–275; 102 Stat. 52).

3 **SEC. 3. MT. MORIAH WILDERNESS, HIGH SCHELLS WILDER-**
4 **NESS, AND ARC DOME WILDERNESS BOUND-**
5 **ARY ADJUSTMENTS.**

6 (a) AMENDMENTS TO THE PAM WHITE WILDERNESS
7 ACT.—Section 323 of the Pam White Wilderness Act of
8 2006 (16 U.S.C. 1132 note; Public Law 109–432; 120
9 Stat. 3031) is amended by striking subsection (e) and in-
10 serting the following:

11 “(e) MT. MORIAH WILDERNESS ADJUSTMENT.—The
12 boundary of the Mt. Moriah Wilderness established under
13 section 2(13) of the Nevada Wilderness Protection Act of
14 1989 (16 U.S.C. 1132 note; Public Law 101–195) is ad-
15 justed to include—

16 “(1) the land identified as the ‘Mount Moriah
17 Wilderness Area’ and ‘Mount Moriah Additions’ on
18 the map entitled ‘Eastern White Pine County’ and
19 dated November 29, 2006; and

20 “(2) the land identified as ‘NFS Lands’ on the
21 map entitled ‘Proposed Wilderness Boundary Ad-
22 justment Mt. Moriah Wilderness Area’ and dated
23 June 18, 2014.

24 “(f) HIGH SCHELLS WILDERNESS ADJUSTMENT.—
25 The boundary of the High Schells Wilderness established

1 under subsection (a)(11) is adjusted to include the land
 2 identified as ‘Include as Wilderness’ on the map entitled
 3 ‘McCoy Creek Adjustment’ and dated November 3, 2014,
 4 and to exclude the land identified as ‘NFS Lands’ on the
 5 map entitled ‘Proposed Wilderness Boundary Adjustment
 6 High Schells Wilderness Area’ and dated June 17, 2014.”.

7 (b) AMENDMENTS TO THE NEVADA WILDERNESS
 8 PROTECTION ACT OF 1989.—The Nevada Wilderness
 9 Protection Act of 1989 (16 U.S.C. 1132 note; Public Law
 10 101–195; 103 Stat. 1784) is amended by adding at the
 11 end the following:

12 **“SEC. 12. ARC DOME BOUNDARY ADJUSTMENT.**

13 “The boundary of the Arc Dome Wilderness estab-
 14 lished under section 2(2) is adjusted to exclude the land
 15 identified as ‘Exclude from Wilderness’ on the map enti-
 16 tled ‘Arc Dome Adjustment’ and dated November 3,
 17 2014.”.

18 **SEC. 4. IMPLEMENTATION OF CONSERVATION PLAN, VIR-**
 19 **GIN RIVER, NEVADA.**

20 Section 3(d)(3)(B) of Public Law 99–548 (100 Stat.
 21 3061; 116 Stat. 2018) is amended by striking “develop-
 22 ment of a multispecies habitat conservation plan for” and
 23 inserting “development and implementation of a conserva-
 24 tion plan to benefit fish and wildlife species of”.

1 SEC. 5. TECHNICAL AMENDMENT.

2 Section 3(f)(2)(B) of Public Law 99–548 (100 Stat.
3 3061) is amended by striking “(v) Sec. 7.”.

Passed the House of Representatives June 7, 2016.

Attest: KAREN L. HAAS,
Clerk.