

114TH CONGRESS
2D SESSION

S. 2991

To withdraw certain land in Okanogan County, Washington, to protect the land, and for other purposes.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

MAY 25, 2016

Mrs. MURRAY (for herself and Ms. CANTWELL) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources

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. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Methow Headwaters
5 Protection Act of 2016”.

6 **SEC. 2. METHOW VALLEY, WASHINGTON, FEDERAL LAND**
7 **WITHDRAWAL.**

8 (a) **DEFINITION OF MAP.**—In this Act, the term
9 “Map” means the Forest Service map entitled “Methow

1 Headwaters Withdrawal Proposal Legislative Map” and
2 dated May 24, 2016.

3 (b) WITHDRAWAL.—Subject to valid existing rights,
4 the approximately 340,079 acres of Federal land and in-
5 terests in the land located in the Okanogan-Wenatchee
6 National Forest within the area depicted on the Map as
7 “Proposed Withdrawal” is withdrawn from all forms of—

8 (1) entry, appropriation, or disposal under the
9 public land laws;

10 (2) location, entry, and patent under the mining
11 laws; and

12 (3) disposition under the mineral leasing and
13 geothermal leasing laws.

14 (c) ACQUIRED LAND.—Any land or interest in land
15 within the area depicted on the Map as “Proposed With-
16 drawal” that is acquired by the United States after the
17 date of enactment of this Act shall, on acquisition, be im-
18 mediately withdrawn in accordance with this section.

19 (d) AVAILABILITY OF MAP.—The Map shall be kept
20 on file and made available for public inspection in the ap-
21 propriate offices of the Forest Service and the Bureau of
22 Land Management.

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