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IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

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Resources

NOVEMBER 29, 2018

Reported by Ms. MURKOWSKI, with an amendment and an amendment to the
title[Strike out all after the enacting clause and insert the part printed in italic]

AN ACT

To adjust the eastern boundary of the Deschutes Canyon-Steelhead Falls and Deschutes Canyon Wilderness Study Areas in the State of Oregon to facilitate fire prevention and response activities to protect private property, 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.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Crooked River Ranch
5 Fire Protection Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. FINDINGS.**

2 Congress finds the following:

3 (1) The Crooked River Ranch is an unincor-
4 porated community with a population of 5,000 resi-
5 dents.

6 (2) The current lands located adjacent to
7 Crooked River Ranch are managed by the Bureau of
8 Land Management and are classified as a Wilder-
9 ness Study Area.

10 (3) There is currently only one entrance/exit to
11 the Crooked River Ranch.

12 (4) Jefferson County and Crooked River Ranch
13 have determined that the Wilderness Study Area
14 lands are in the highest risk category for exposure
15 to devastating wildfire due to overstocked juniper
16 stands under the federally mandated and locally pro-
17 mulgated Jefferson County Community Wildfire
18 Protection Plan (CWPP).

19 (5) The current Wilderness Study Area classi-
20 fication prevents mechanical fire prevention activities
21 within the overstocked juniper stands.

22 (6) Advancing this proposed legislation will
23 greatly enhance the life and safety of people and
24 property by reducing the extreme fire threat to these
25 lands.

1 **SEC. 3. BOUNDARY ADJUSTMENT, DESCHUTES CANYON-**
2 **STEELHEAD FALLS AND DESCHUTES CANYON**
3 **WILDERNESS STUDY AREAS, OREGON.**

4 (a) BOUNDARY ADJUSTMENT REQUIRED.—The Sec-
5 retary of the Interior shall adjust the eastern boundary
6 of the Deschutes Canyon-Steelhead Falls Wilderness
7 Study Area and the Deschutes Canyon Wilderness Study
8 Area in the State of Oregon to exclude approximately 832
9 acres, as depicted on the map entitled “Deschutes Canyon-
10 Steelhead Falls Wilderness Study Area” and dated April
11 6, 2017, in order to facilitate fire prevention and response
12 activities on the excluded public lands and adjacent private
13 property.

14 (b) EFFECT OF EXCLUSION.—Effective on the date
15 of the enactment of this Act, the public lands to be ex-
16 cluded from the Deschutes Canyon-Steelhead Falls Wil-
17 derness Study Area and the Deschutes Canyon Wilderness
18 Study Area pursuant to subsection (a) are no longer

1 subject to section 603(c) of the Federal Land Policy and
 2 Management Act of 1976 (43 U.S.C. 1782(c)).

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 *This Act may be cited as the “Crooked River Ranch*
 5 *Fire Protection Act”.*

6 **SEC. 2. BOUNDARY ADJUSTMENT, DESCHUTES CANYON-**
 7 **STEELHEAD FALLS WILDERNESS STUDY AREA**
 8 **BOUNDARY ADJUSTMENT, OREGON.**

9 (a) *BOUNDARY ADJUSTMENT.—The boundary of the*
 10 *Deschutes Canyon-Steelhead Falls Wilderness Study Area*
 11 *is modified to exclude approximately 688 acres of public*
 12 *land, as depicted on the map entitled “Deschutes Canyon-*
 13 *Steelhead Falls Wilderness Study Area (WSA) Proposed*
 14 *Boundary Adjustment” and dated September 26, 2018.*

15 (b) *EFFECT OF EXCLUSION.—*

16 (1) *IN GENERAL.—The public land excluded from*
 17 *the Deschutes Canyon-Steelhead Falls Wilderness*
 18 *Study Area under subsection (a)—*

19 (A) *is no longer subject to section 603(c) of*
 20 *the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of*
 21 *1976 (43 U.S.C. 1782(c)); and*

22 (B) *shall be managed in accordance with—*
 23 *(i) this section;*

1 (ii) *the Federal Land Policy and Man-*
 2 *agement Act of 1976 (43 U.S.C. 1701 et*
 3 *seq.); and*

4 (iii) *any applicable resource manage-*
 5 *ment plan.*

6 (2) *MANAGEMENT.—The Secretary of the Interior*
 7 *shall manage the land excluded from the Deschutes*
 8 *Canyon-Steelhead Falls Wilderness Study Area under*
 9 *subsection (a) to improve fire resiliency and forest*
 10 *health, including the conduct of wildfire prevention*
 11 *and response activities, as appropriate.*

12 (3) *OFF-ROAD RECREATIONAL MOTORIZED*
 13 *USE.—The Secretary of the Interior shall not permit*
 14 *off-road recreational motorized use on the public land*
 15 *excluded from the Deschutes Canyon-Steelhead Falls*
 16 *Wilderness Study Area under subsection (a).*

Amend the title so as to read: “An Act to adjust the eastern boundary of the Deschutes Canyon-Steelhead Falls Wilderness Study Area in the State of Oregon, and for other purposes.”.

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