

Union Calendar No. 774

115TH CONGRESS
2D SESSION

H. R. 4644

[Report No. 115–992]

To withdraw certain National Forest System land in the Emigrant Crevice area located in the Custer Gallatin National Forest, Park County, Montana, from the mining and mineral leasing laws of the United States, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

DECEMBER 14, 2017

Mr. GIANFORTE introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Natural Resources

OCTOBER 23, 2018

Committed to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union
and ordered to be printed

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 “Yellowstone Gateway
5 Protection Act”.

6 **SEC. 2. WITHDRAWAL.**

7 (a) DEFINITION OF MAP.—In this section, the term
8 “map” means the map entitled “Emigrant Crevice Pro-
9 posed Withdrawal Area” and dated November 10, 2016.

10 (b) WITHDRAWAL.—Subject to valid existing rights
11 in existence on the date of enactment of this Act, the Na-
12 tional Forest System land and interests in the National
13 Forest System land, as depicted on the map, is withdrawn
14 from—

15 (1) location, entry, and patent under the mining
16 laws; and

17 (2) disposition under all laws pertaining to min-
18 eral and geothermal leasing.

19 (c) ACQUIRED LAND.—Any land or interest in land
20 within the area depicted on the map that is acquired by
21 the United States after the date of enactment of this Act
22 shall, on acquisition, be immediately withdrawn in accord-
23 ance with this section.

24 (d) MAP.—

1 (1) SUBMISSION OF MAP.—As soon as prac-
2 ticable after the date of enactment of this Act, the
3 Secretary of Agriculture shall file the map with—

4 (A) the Committee on Energy and Natural
5 Resources of the Senate; and

6 (B) the Committee on Natural Resources
7 of the House of Representatives.

8 (2) FORCE OF LAW.—The map filed under
9 paragraph (1) shall have the same force and effect
10 as if included in this Act, except that the Secretary
11 of Agriculture may correct clerical and typographical
12 errors in the map.

13 (3) PUBLIC AVAILABILITY.—The map filed
14 under paragraph (1) shall be on file and available
15 for public inspection in the appropriate offices of the
16 Forest Service and the Bureau of Land Manage-
17 ment.

18 (e) EFFECT.—Nothing in this section affects any rec-
19 reational use, including hunting or fishing, that is author-
20 ized on land within the area depicted on the map under
21 applicable law as of the date of enactment of this Act.

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