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S. 3176

To establish the Mill Springs Battlefield National Monument in the State of Kentucky as a unit of the National Park System, and for other purposes.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

JUNE 28, 2018

Mr. McCONNELL 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 “Mill Springs Battle-
5 field National Monument Act”.

6 **SEC. 2. DEFINITIONS.**

7 In this Act:

8 (1) MAP.—The term “Map” means the map en-
9 titled “Mill Springs Battlefield National Monument,

1 Nancy, Kentucky”, numbered 297/145513, and
 2 dated June 2018.

3 (2) MONUMENT.—The term “Monument”
 4 means the Mill Springs Battlefield National Monu-
 5 ment established by section 3(a)(1).

6 (3) SECRETARY.—The term “Secretary” means
 7 the Secretary of the Interior, acting through the Di-
 8 rector of the National Park Service.

9 **SEC. 3. ESTABLISHMENT OF MILL SPRINGS BATTLEFIELD**
 10 **NATIONAL MONUMENT.**

11 (a) ESTABLISHMENT.—

12 (1) IN GENERAL.—Subject to paragraph (2),
 13 there is established as a unit of the National Park
 14 System, the Mill Springs Battlefield National Monu-
 15 ment in the State of Kentucky, to preserve, protect,
 16 and interpret for the benefit of present and future
 17 generations—

18 (A) the nationally significant historic re-
 19 sources of the Mill Springs Battlefield; and

20 (B) the role of the Mill Springs Battlefield
 21 in the Civil War.

22 (2) DETERMINATION BY THE SECRETARY.—
 23 The Monument shall not be established until the
 24 date on which the Secretary determines that a suffi-

1 cient quantity of land or interests in land has been
2 acquired to constitute a manageable park unit.

3 (3) NOTICE.—Not later than 30 days after the
4 date on which the Secretary makes a determination
5 under paragraph (2), the Secretary shall publish in
6 the Federal Register notice of the establishment of
7 the Monument.

8 (4) BOUNDARY.—The boundary of the Monu-
9 ment shall be as generally depicted on the Map.

10 (5) AVAILABILITY OF MAP.—The Map shall be
11 on file and available for public inspection in the ap-
12 propriate offices of the National Park Service.

13 (6) ACQUISITION AUTHORITY.—The Secretary
14 may only acquire land or an interest in land located
15 within the boundary of the Monument by—

16 (A) donation;

17 (B) purchase with donated funds; or

18 (C) exchange.

19 (b) ADMINISTRATION.—

20 (1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary shall admin-
21 ister the Monument in accordance with—

22 (A) this Act; and

23 (B) the laws generally applicable to units
24 of the National Park System, including—

(i) section 100101(a), chapter 1003, and sections 100751(a), 100752, 100753, and 102101 of title 54, United States Code; and

(ii) chapter 3201 of title 54, United States Code.

(2) MANAGEMENT PLAN.—

(A) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 3 years after the date on which funds are first made available to prepare a general management plan for the Monument, the Secretary shall prepare the general management plan in accordance with section 100502 of title 54, United States Code.

(B) SUBMISSION TO CONGRESS.—On completion of the general management plan, the Secretary shall submit to the Committee on Natural Resources of the House of Representatives and the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources of the Senate the general management plan.

(c) PRIVATE PROPERTY PROTECTION.—Nothing in this Act affects the land use rights of private property owners within or adjacent to the Monument.

(d) NO BUFFER ZONES.—

1 (1) IN GENERAL.—Nothing in this Act, the es-
2 tablishment of the Monument, or the management of
3 the Monument creates a buffer zone outside the
4 Monument.

5 (2) ACTIVITY OR USE OUTSIDE MONUMENT.—
6 The fact that an activity or use can be seen, heard,
7 or detected from within the Monument shall not pre-
8 clude the conduct of the activity or use outside the
9 Monument.

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