

116TH CONGRESS
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H. R. 524

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.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JANUARY 11, 2019

Mr. WALDEN introduced the following bill; which was referred to the
Committee on 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 “Crooked River Ranch
5 Fire Protection Act”.

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

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

10 (b) EFFECT OF EXCLUSION.—

11 (1) IN GENERAL.—The public land excluded
12 from the Deschutes Canyon-Steelhead Falls Wilder-
13 ness Study Area under subsection (a)—

14 (A) is no longer subject to section 603(c)
15 of the Federal Land Policy and Management
16 Act of 1976 (43 U.S.C. 1782(c)); and

17 (B) shall be managed in accordance with—

18 (i) this section;

19 (ii) the Federal Land Policy and Man-
20 agement Act of 1976 (43 U.S.C. 1701 et
21 seq.); and

22 (iii) any applicable resource manage-
23 ment plan.

24 (2) MANAGEMENT.—The Secretary of the Inte-
25 rior shall manage the land excluded from the
26 Deschutes Canyon-Steelhead Falls Wilderness Study

1 Area under subsection (a) to improve fire resiliency
2 and forest health, including the conduct of wildfire
3 prevention and response activities, as appropriate.

4 (3) OFF-ROAD RECREATIONAL MOTORIZED
5 USE.—The Secretary of the Interior shall not permit
6 off-road recreational motorized use on the public
7 land excluded from the Deschutes Canyon-Steelhead
8 Falls Wilderness Study Area under subsection (a).

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