

conservation corps will provide cost-effective assistance in preventing forest fires and restoring damaged forests lands.

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In addition to providing additional resources to control forest fires, the program will offer important work experience to low-income, disadvantaged, and often minority youth between the ages of 16 and 24 who, through the corps, will develop the skills and habits they need to become productive citizens. Research has shown that youth who complete corps programs have higher rates of employment and earn more than their counterparts. Corps members also score higher on measures of personal and social responsibility and are more likely to earn a college degree.

Finally, not even taking into account the obvious financial benefits to society from protecting at-risk youth, corps generates \$1.60 in immediate benefits for every \$1 in cost. I encourage my colleagues to vote for passage of the Healthy Forest Youth Conservation Corps Act to enable local youth corps to work with the Federal Government to protect their communities. This is an opportunity to utilize cost-saving human resources to conserve, maintain, and protect Federal land. It is an investment in our environment and our country's youth.

Mr. GRIJALVA. Mr. Speaker, I yield back the balance of my time.

Mr. RADANOVICH. Mr. Speaker, I yield back the balance of my time.

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. ISSA). The question is on the motion offered by the gentleman from California (Mr. RADANOVICH) that the House suspend the rules and pass the bill, H.R. 4838, as amended.

The question was taken; and (two-thirds having voted in favor thereof) the rules were suspended and the bill, as amended, was passed.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

#### NEW HOPE CEMETERY ASSOCIATION LAND CONVEYANCE

Mr. RADANOVICH. Mr. Speaker, I move to suspend the rules and pass the Senate bill (S. 1537) to direct the Secretary of Agriculture to convey to the New Hope Cemetery Association certain land in the State of Arkansas for use as a cemetery.

The Clerk read as follows:

S. 1537

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

#### SECTION 1. CONVEYANCE OF PROPERTY IN POPE COUNTY, ARKANSAS.

(a) CONVEYANCE ON CONDITION SUBSEQUENT.—Not later than 90 days after the date of enactment of this Act, subject to valid existing rights and the condition stated in subsection (c), the Secretary of Agriculture, acting through the Chief of the Forest Service (referred to in this section as the “Secretary”), shall convey to the New Hope Cem-

etry Association (referred to in this section as the “association”), for no consideration, all right, title, and interest of the United States in and to the parcel of land described in subsection (b).

(b) DESCRIPTION OF LAND.—The parcel of land referred to in subsection (a) is the parcel of National Forest System land (including any improvements on the land) that—

(1) is known as “New Hope Cemetery Tract 6686c”;

(2) consists of approximately 1.1 acres; and

(3) is more particularly described as a portion of the SE  $\frac{1}{4}$  of the NW  $\frac{1}{4}$  of section 30, T. 11, R. 17W, Pope County, Arkansas.

(c) CONDITION ON USE OF LAND.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—The association shall use the parcel conveyed under subsection (a) as a cemetery.

(2) REVERSION.—If the Secretary, after notice to the association and an opportunity for a hearing, makes a finding that the association has used or permitted the use of the parcel for any purpose other than the purpose specified in paragraph (1), and the association fails to discontinue that use, title to the parcel shall, at the option of the Secretary, revert to the United States, to be administered by the Secretary.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to the rule, the gentleman from California (Mr. RADANOVICH) and the gentleman from Arizona (Mr. GRIJALVA) each will control 20 minutes.

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from California (Mr. RADANOVICH).

Mr. RADANOVICH. Mr. Speaker, I yield myself such time as I may consume.

Mr. Speaker, S. 1537, introduced by Senator BLANCHE LINCOLN, would direct the Secretary of Agriculture to convey to the New Hope Cemetery Association certain land in the State of Arkansas for use as a cemetery. The gentleman from Arkansas (Mr. BOOZMAN) introduced the companion bill in the House, but in the interest of time has requested the Senate bill be moved.

The existing cemetery is about 5 acres and nearing full capacity. The Forest Service initially tried to facilitate this trade without legislation, but the land was appraised for far more than the cemetery association could afford. The conveyance would not create additional management boundaries for the Forest Service, and the agency has no need for the land. As such, the Forest Service would convey the 1.1 acres for free. I urge Members to support this important measure.

Mr. Speaker, I reserve the balance of my time.

Mr. GRIJALVA. Mr. Speaker, I yield myself such time as I may consume.

Mr. Speaker, I would like to commend the sponsor of the bill, Senator LINCOLN, for bringing forth this vital legislation, and urge its favorable consideration.

Mr. Speaker, I yield back the balance of my time.

Mr. RADANOVICH. Mr. Speaker, I yield back the balance of my time.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion offered by the gentleman from California (Mr. RADANOVICH) that the House suspend the rules and pass the Senate bill, S. 1537.

The question was taken; and (two-thirds having voted in favor thereof) the rules were suspended and the Senate bill was passed.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

#### CRAIG RECREATION LAND PURCHASE ACT

Mr. RADANOVICH. Mr. Speaker, I move to suspend the rules and pass the Senate bill (S. 1778) to authorize a land conveyance between the United States and the City of Craig, Alaska, and for other purposes.

The Clerk read as follows:

S. 1778

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

#### SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

This Act may be cited as the “Craig Recreation Land Purchase Act”.

#### SEC. 2. DEFINITIONS.

In this Act:

(1) CITY.—The term “City” means the City of Craig, Alaska.

(2) SECRETARY.—The term “Secretary” means the Secretary of Agriculture.

#### SEC. 3. CONVEYANCE TO SECRETARY OF AGRICULTURE.

(a) IN GENERAL.—If, not later than 180 days after the date on which the City receives a copy of the appraisal conducted under subsection (c), the City offers to convey to the Secretary all right, title, and interest of the City in and to the parcels of non-Federal land described in subsection (b), the Secretary, subject to the availability of appropriations, shall—

(1) accept the offer; and

(2) on conveyance of the land to the Secretary, pay to the City an amount equal to the appraised value of the land, as determined under subsection (c).

(b) DESCRIPTION OF LAND.—The non-Federal land referred to in subsection (a) consists of—

(1) the municipal land identified on the map entitled “Informational Map, Sunnahae Trail and Recreation Parcel and Craig Canyery Property” and dated August 2003;

(2) lots 1 and 1A, Block 11-A, as identified on the City of Craig Subdivision Plat, Craig Tideland Addition, Patent # 155 (Inst. 69-982, Ketchikan Recording Office), dated April 21, 2004, consisting of approximately 22,353 square feet of land; and

(3) the portion of Beach Road eastward of a projected line between the southwest corner of lot 1, Block 11, USS 1430 and the northwest corner of lot 1, Block 11-A, as identified on the City of Craig Subdivision Plat, Craig Tideland Addition, Patent # 155 (Inst. 69-982, Ketchikan Recording Office), dated April 21, 2004, consisting of approximately 4,700 square feet of land.

(c) APPRAISALS.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Before conveying the land under subsection (a), the Secretary shall—

(A) conduct an appraisal of the land, in accordance with—

(i) the Uniform Appraisal Standards for Federal Land Acquisitions;

(ii) the Uniform Standards of Professional Appraisal Practice; and

(iii) Forest Service Appraisal Directives; and

(B) submit to the City a copy of the appraisal.

(2) PAYMENT OF COSTS.—

(A) CITY.—The City shall pay the costs of appraising the land described in subsection (b)(1).

(B) SECRETARY.—The Secretary shall pay the costs of appraising the land described in paragraphs (2) and (3) of subsection (b).

(d) MANAGEMENT.—Any land acquired under subsection (a) shall be—

(1) included in the Tongass National Forest; and

(2) administered by the Secretary in accordance with the laws (including regulations) and forest plan applicable to the Tongass National Forest.

#### SEC. 4. ACQUISITION OF LAND BY THE CITY OF CRAIG.

The amount received by the City under section 3(a)(2) shall be used by the City to acquire the Craig cannery property, as depicted on the map entitled "Informational Map, Sunnahae Trail and Recreation Parcel and Craig Cannery Property" and dated August 2003.

#### SEC. 5. AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.

There are authorized to be appropriated—

(1) to the Forest Service for the reconstruction of the Sunnahae Trail, \$250,000; and

(2) such sums as are necessary to carry out this Act.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to the rule, the gentleman from California (Mr. RADANOVICH) and the gentleman from Arizona (Mr. GRIJALVA) each will control 20 minutes.

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from California (Mr. RADANOVICH).

Mr. RADANOVICH. Mr. Speaker, I yield myself such time as I may consume.

Mr. Speaker, S. 1778, introduced by Senator LISA MURKOWSKI, would authorize a land conveyance between the Secretary of Agriculture and the City of Craig, Alaska. The gentleman from Florida (Mr. YOUNG) has the House companion bill.

This legislation authorizes the Secretary of Agriculture to acquire approximately 350 acres of land from the city of Craig, Alaska, for addition to the Tongass National Forest. The city would then use the proceeds to acquire 10 acres in downtown Craig to expand its harbor for commercial development. I urge Members to support this important measure.

Mr. Speaker, I reserve the balance of my time.

Mr. GRIJALVA. Mr. Speaker, I yield myself such time as I may consume.

Mr. Speaker, we have no objection to the consideration of this measure.

Mr. Speaker, I yield back the balance of my time.

Mr. RADANOVICH. Mr. Speaker, I yield back the balance of my time.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion offered by the gentleman from California (Mr. RADANOVICH) that the House suspend the rules and pass the Senate bill, S. 1778.

The question was taken; and (two-thirds having voted in favor thereof) the rules were suspended and the Senate bill was passed.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

#### ARAPAHO AND ROOSEVELT NATIONAL FORESTS LAND EXCHANGE ACT OF 2004

Mr. RADANOVICH. Mr. Speaker, I move to suspend the rules and pass the

Senate bill (S. 2180) to direct the Secretary of Agriculture to exchange certain lands in the Arapaho and Roosevelt National Forests in the State of Colorado.

The Clerk read as follows:

S. 2180

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

#### SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

This Act may be cited as the "Arapaho and Roosevelt National Forests Land Exchange Act of 2004".

#### SEC. 2. LAND EXCHANGE, ARAPAHO AND ROOSEVELT NATIONAL FORESTS, COLORADO.

(a) CONVEYANCE BY CITY OF GOLDEN.—

(1) NON-FEDERAL LAND DESCRIBED.—The land exchange directed by this section shall proceed if, not later than 30 days after the date of enactment of this Act, the City of Golden, Colorado (referred to in this section as the "City"), offers to convey title acceptable to the Secretary of Agriculture (referred to in this section as the "Secretary") to the following non-Federal land:

(A) Certain land located near the community of Evergreen in Park County, Colorado, comprising approximately 80 acres, as generally depicted on the map entitled "Non-Federal Lands—Cub Creek Parcel", dated June 2003.

(B) Certain land located near Argentine Pass in Clear Creek and Summit Counties, Colorado, comprising approximately 55,909 acres, as generally depicted on the map entitled "Argentine Pass/Continental Divide Trail Lands", dated September 2003.

(2) CONDITIONS OF CONVEYANCE.—

(A) VIDLER TUNNEL.—The conveyance of land under paragraph (1)(B) to the Secretary shall be subject to the continuing right of the City to permanently enter on, use, and occupy so much of the surface and subsurface of the land as reasonably is necessary to access, maintain, modify, or otherwise use the Vidler Tunnel to the same extent that the City would have had that right if the land had not been conveyed to the Secretary and remained in City ownership.

(B) ADVANCE APPROVAL.—The exercise of that right shall not require the City to secure any permit or other advance approval from the United States except to the extent that the City would have been required had the land not been conveyed to the Secretary and remained in City ownership.

(C) WITHDRAWAL.—On acquisition by the Secretary, the land is permanently withdrawn from all forms of entry and appropriation under the public land laws (including the mining and mineral leasing laws) and the Geothermal Steam Act of 1970 (30 U.S.C. 1001 et seq.).

(b) FEDERAL LAND DESCRIBED.—On receipt of title to the non-Federal land identified in subsection (a) that is acceptable to the Secretary, the Secretary shall simultaneously convey to the City all right, title, and interest of the United States in and to certain Federal land, comprising approximately 9.84 acres, as generally depicted on the map entitled "Empire Federal Lands—Parcel 12", dated June 2003.

(c) EQUAL VALUE EXCHANGE.—

(1) APPRAISAL.—

(A) IN GENERAL.—The values of the Federal land identified in subsection (b) and the non-Federal land identified in subsection (a)(1)(A) shall be determined by the Secretary through appraisals performed in accordance with the Uniform Appraisal Standards for Federal Land Acquisitions and the Uniform Standards of Professional Appraisal Practice.

(B) DONATION.—Except as provided in paragraph (3), the conveyance of the non-Federal land identified in subsection (a)(1)(B) shall be considered a donation for all purposes of law.

(2) SURPLUS OF NON-FEDERAL VALUE.—If the final appraised value (as approved by the Secretary) of the non-Federal land identified in subsection (a)(1)(A) exceeds the final appraised value (as approved by the Secretary) of the Federal land identified in subsection (b), the values may be equalized by—

(A) reducing the acreage of the non-Federal land identified in subsection (a)(1)(A) to be conveyed, as determined appropriate and acceptable by the Secretary and the City;

(B) making a cash equalization payment to the City, including a cash equalization payment in excess of the amount authorized by section 206(b) of the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976 (43 U.S.C. 1716(b)); or

(C) a combination of acreage reduction and cash equalization.

(3) SURPLUS OF FEDERAL VALUE.—

(A) APPRAISAL.—If the final appraised value (as approved by the Secretary) of the Federal land identified in subsection (b) exceeds the final appraised value (as approved by the Secretary) of the non-Federal land identified in subsection (a)(1)(A), the Secretary shall—

(i) conduct an appraisal in accordance with the Uniform Appraisal Standards for Federal Land Acquisitions and the Uniform Standards of Professional Appraisal Practice for the non-Federal land to be conveyed pursuant to subsection (a)(1)(B); and

(ii) use the value to the extent necessary to equalize the values of the non-Federal land identified in subsection (a)(1)(A) and the Federal land identified in subsection (b).

(B) CASH EQUALIZATION PAYMENT.—If the Secretary declines to accept the non-Federal land identified in subsection (a)(1)(B) for any reason or if the value of the Federal land described in subsection (b) exceeds the value of all of the non-Federal land described in subsection (a)(1), the City may make a cash equalization payment to the Secretary, including a cash equalization payment in excess of the amount authorized by section 206(b) of the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976 (43 U.S.C. 1716(b)).

(d) EXCHANGE COSTS.—The City shall pay for—

(1) any necessary land surveys; and

(2) the costs of the appraisals, on approval of the appraiser and the issuance of appraisal instructions.

(e) TIMING AND INTERIM AUTHORIZATION.—

(1) TIMING.—It is the intent of Congress that the land exchange directed by this Act shall be completed not later than 180 days after the date of enactment of this Act.

(2) INTERIM AUTHORIZATION.—Pending completion of the land exchange, not later than 45 days after the date of enactment of this Act, subject to applicable law, the Secretary shall authorize the City to construct approximately 140 feet of water pipeline on or near the existing course of the Lindstrom ditch through the Federal land identified in subsection (b).

(f) ALTERNATIVE SALE AUTHORITY.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—If the land exchange is not completed for any reason, the Secretary shall sell the Federal land identified in subsection (b) to the City at the final appraised value of the land, as approved by the Secretary.

(2) SISK ACT.—Public Law 90-171 (commonly known as the "Sisk Act") (16 U.S.C. 484a) shall, without further appropriation, apply to any cash equalization payment received by the United States under this section.

(g) INCORPORATION, MANAGEMENT, AND STATUS OF ACQUIRED LAND.—