

Suspend the Rules and Pass the Bill, H.R. 5093, With an Amendment

(The amendment strikes all after the enacting clause and inserts a new text)

117TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. R. 5093

To direct the Secretary of Agriculture to transfer certain National Forest System land in the State of Washington to Skamania County, Washington.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

AUGUST 24, 2021

Ms. HERRERA BEUTLER introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Natural Resources

A BILL

To direct the Secretary of Agriculture to transfer certain National Forest System land in the State of Washington to Skamania County, Washington.

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 “Wind River Adminis-
5 trative Site Conveyance Act”.

6 **SEC. 2. DEFINITIONS.**

7 In this Act:

1 (1) COUNTY.—The term “County” means the
2 Skamania County, Washington.

3 (2) MAP.—The term “map” means the map en-
4 titled “Wind River Administrative Site Conveyance
5 Proposal” and dated July 7, 2020.

6 (3) SECRETARY.—The term “Secretary” means
7 the Secretary of Agriculture, acting through the
8 Chief of the Forest Service.

9 **SEC. 3. CONVEYANCE OF LAND AND IMPROVEMENTS.**

10 (a) IN GENERAL.—If the County submits a written
11 request to the Secretary not later than 180 days after the
12 date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary shall, not
13 later than 24 months after the date of the enactment of
14 this Act, convey to the County all right, title, and interest
15 of the United States in and to the approximately 23.4
16 acres of National Forest System land, related infrastruc-
17 ture, and all improvements, as generally depicted as “pro-
18 posed conveyance” on the map.

19 (b) MAP.—

20 (1) AVAILABILITY OF MAP.—The map shall be
21 kept on file and available for public inspection in the
22 appropriate office of the Forest Service.

23 (2) CORRECTION OF ERRORS.—The Secretary
24 may correct minor errors in the map.

1 (c) TERMS AND CONDITIONS.—The conveyance
2 under subsection (a) shall be—

3 (1) subject to valid existing rights;

4 (2) notwithstanding any other provision of law,
5 made without consideration;

6 (3) made by quitclaim deed;

7 (4) subject to a right-of-way and restrictive
8 easement reservation of a width to be determined by
9 the Secretary, for the protection of the Pacific Crest
10 National Scenic Trail;

11 (5) completed in accordance with the Forest
12 Service Facility Realignment and Enhancement Act
13 of 2005 (16 U.S.C. 580d et seq.), except that sec-
14 tion 504(b) and (c) of that Act shall not apply;

15 (6) subject to right-of-way reservations made
16 pursuant to section 507 of the Federal Land Policy
17 and Management Act of 1976 (43 U.S.C. 1767);
18 and

19 (7) subject to any other terms and conditions
20 as the Secretary determines appropriate.

21 (d) FEDERAL PROPERTY DISPOSAL.—Chapter 5 of
22 subtitle I of title 40, United States Code, shall not apply
23 to the conveyance under subsection (a).

24 (e) HAZARDOUS MATERIALS.—With respect to the
25 conveyance under subsection (a), the Secretary—

1 (1) shall meet disclosure requirements for haz-
2 ardous substances, pollutants, or contaminants
3 under section 120(h) of the Comprehensive Environ-
4 mental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act
5 of 1980 (42 U.S.C. 9620(h)); and

6 (2) shall not otherwise be required to remediate
7 or abate the hazardous substances, pollutants, or
8 contaminants disclosed pursuant to paragraph (1).

9 (f) CLOSING COSTS.—As a condition for the convey-
10 ance under subsection (a), the County shall pay all closing
11 costs associated with the conveyance, including for—

12 (1) title insurance and title search; and

13 (2) any applicable inspection fees, escrow fees,
14 attorneys fees, and recording fees.

15 (g) SURVEY.—

16 (1) IN GENERAL.—The exact acreage and legal
17 description of the National Forest System land to be
18 conveyed under subsection (a) shall be determined
19 by a survey satisfactory to the Secretary.

20 (2) COSTS OF SURVEY.—The Secretary shall
21 bear all costs associated with the survey under para-
22 graph (1).

23 (h) USE OF LAND.—

24 (1) IN GENERAL.—The lands and related infra-
25 structure conveyed under subsection (a) shall be

1 maintained by the County pursuant to standards es-
2 tablished by the Secretary of the Interior under sec-
3 tion 306101 of title 54, United States Code.

4 (2) REVERSION.—If any portion of the land
5 conveyed under subsection (a) is used in a manner
6 that is inconsistent with the use described in para-
7 graph (1), the land shall, at the discretion of the
8 Secretary, revert to the United States.

9 **SEC. 4. DETERMINATION OF BUDGETARY EFFECTS.**

10 The budgetary effects of this Act, for the purpose of
11 complying with the Statutory Pay-As-You-Go Act of 2010,
12 shall be determined by reference to the latest statement
13 titled “Budgetary Effects of PAYGO Legislation” for this
14 Act, submitted for printing in the Congressional Record
15 by the Chairman of the House Budget Committee, pro-
16 vided that such statement has been submitted prior to the
17 vote on passage.