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To designate certain Federal land in the State of California as wilderness.

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Mr. CARBAJAL (for himself, Ms. BROWNLEY, Mr. PANETTA, Ms. CHU, and Mr. HUFFMAN) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Natural Resources

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## A BILL

To designate certain Federal land in the State of California as wilderness.

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 “Central Coast Heritage  
5        Protection Act”.

6        **SEC. 2. DEFINITIONS.**

7        In this Act:

8                (1) SCENIC AREAS.—The term “scenic area”  
9        means a scenic area designated by section 408(a).

1           (2) SECRETARY.—The term “Secretary”  
2 means—

3           (A) with respect to land managed by the  
4 Bureau of Land Management, the Secretary of  
5 the Interior; and

6           (B) with respect to land managed by the  
7 Forest Service, the Secretary of Agriculture.

8           (3) STATE.—The term “State” means the State  
9 of California.

10          (4) WILDERNESS AREA.—The term “wilderness  
11 area” means a wilderness area or wilderness addi-  
12 tion designated by section 403(a).

13 **SEC. 3. DESIGNATION OF WILDERNESS.**

14          (a) IN GENERAL.—In accordance with the Wilderness  
15 Act (16 U.S.C. 1131 et seq.), the following areas in the  
16 State are designated as wilderness areas and as compo-  
17 nents of the National Wilderness Preservation System:

18           (1) Certain land in the Bakersfield Field Office  
19 of the Bureau of Land Management comprising ap-  
20 proximately 35,116 acres, as generally depicted on  
21 the map entitled “Proposed Caliente Mountain Wil-  
22 derness” and dated November 13, 2019, which shall  
23 be known as the “Caliente Mountain Wilderness”.

24           (2) Certain land in the Bakersfield Field Office  
25 of the Bureau of Land Management comprising ap-

1 proximately 13,332 acres, as generally depicted on  
2 the map entitled “Proposed Soda Lake Wilderness”  
3 and dated June 25, 2019, which shall be known as  
4 the “Soda Lake Wilderness”.

5 (3) Certain land in the Bakersfield Field Office  
6 of the Bureau of Land Management comprising ap-  
7 proximately 12,585 acres, as generally depicted on  
8 the map entitled “Proposed Temblor Range Wilder-  
9 ness” and dated June 25, 2019, which shall be  
10 known as the “Temblor Range Wilderness”.

11 (4) Certain land in the Los Padres National  
12 Forest comprising approximately 23,670 acres, as  
13 generally depicted on the map entitled “Chumash  
14 Wilderness Area Additions—Proposed” and dated  
15 March 29, 2019, which shall be incorporated into  
16 and managed as part of the Chumash Wilderness as  
17 designated by the Los Padres Condor Range and  
18 River Protection Act (Public Law 102–301; 106  
19 Stat. 242).

20 (5) Certain land in the Los Padres National  
21 Forest comprising approximately 54,036 acres, as  
22 generally depicted on the maps entitled “Dick Smith  
23 Wilderness Area Additions—Proposed Map 1 of 2  
24 (Bear Canyon and Cuyama Peak Units)” and “Dick  
25 Smith Wilderness Area Additions—Proposed Map 2

1 of 2 (Buckhorn and Mono Units)” and dated No-  
2 vember 14, 2019, which shall be incorporated into  
3 and managed as part of the Dick Smith Wilderness  
4 as designated by the California Wilderness Act of  
5 1984 (Public Law 98–425; 16 U.S.C. 1132 note).

6 (6) Certain land in the Los Padres National  
7 Forest and the Bakersfield Field Office of the Bu-  
8 reau of Land Management comprising approximately  
9 7,289 acres, as generally depicted on the map enti-  
10 tled “Garcia Wilderness Area Additions—Proposed”  
11 and dated March 29, 2019, which shall be incor-  
12 porated into and managed as part of the Garcia Wil-  
13 derness as designated by the Los Padres Condor  
14 Range and River Protection Act (Public Law 102–  
15 301; 106 Stat. 242).

16 (7) Certain land in the Los Padres National  
17 Forest and the Bakersfield Field Office of the Bu-  
18 reau of Land Management comprising approximately  
19 8,774 acres, as generally depicted on the map enti-  
20 tled “Machesna Mountain Wilderness—Proposed  
21 Additions” and dated October 30, 2019, which shall  
22 be incorporated into and managed as part of the  
23 Machesna Mountain Wilderness as designated by the  
24 California Wilderness Act of 1984 (Public Law 98–  
25 425; 16 U.S.C. 1132 note).

1           (8) Certain land in the Los Padres National  
2 Forest comprising approximately 30,184 acres, as  
3 generally depicted on the map entitled “Matilija Wil-  
4 derness Area Additions—Proposed” and dated  
5 March 29, 2019, which shall be incorporated into  
6 and managed as part of the Matilija Wilderness as  
7 designated by the Los Padres Condor Range and  
8 River Protection Act (Public Law 102–301; 106  
9 Stat. 242).

10           (9) Certain land in the Los Padres National  
11 Forest comprising approximately 23,969 acres, as  
12 generally depicted on the map entitled “San Rafael  
13 Wilderness Area Additions—Proposed” and dated  
14 February 2, 2021, which shall be incorporated into  
15 and managed as part of the San Rafael Wilderness  
16 as designated by Public Law 90–271 (82 Stat. 51),  
17 the California Wilderness Act of 1984 (Public Law  
18 98–425; 16 U.S.C. 1132 note), and the Los Padres  
19 Condor Range and River Protection Act (Public Law  
20 102–301; 106 Stat. 242).

21           (10) Certain land in the Los Padres National  
22 Forest comprising approximately 2,921 acres, as  
23 generally depicted on the map entitled “Santa Lucia  
24 Wilderness Area Additions—Proposed” and dated  
25 March 29, 2019, which shall be incorporated into

1 and managed as part of the Santa Lucia Wilderness  
2 as designated by the Endangered American Wilder-  
3 ness Act of 1978 (Public Law 95–237; 16 U.S.C.  
4 1132 note).

5 (11) Certain land in the Los Padres National  
6 Forest comprising approximately 14,313 acres, as  
7 generally depicted on the map entitled “Sespe Wil-  
8 derness Area Additions—Proposed” and dated  
9 March 29, 2019, which shall be incorporated into  
10 and managed as part of the Sespe Wilderness as  
11 designated by the Los Padres Condor Range and  
12 River Protection Act (Public Law 102–301; 106  
13 Stat. 242).

14 (12) Certain land in the Los Padres National  
15 Forest comprising approximately 17,870 acres, as  
16 generally depicted on the map entitled “Diablo  
17 Caliente Wilderness Area—Proposed” and dated  
18 March 29, 2019, which shall be known as the “Dia-  
19 blo Caliente Wilderness”.

20 (b) MAPS AND LEGAL DESCRIPTIONS.—

21 (1) IN GENERAL.—As soon as practicable after  
22 the date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary  
23 shall file maps and legal descriptions of the wilder-  
24 ness areas with—

1 (A) the Committee on Energy and Natural  
2 Resources of the Senate; and

3 (B) the Committee on Natural Resources  
4 of the House of Representatives.

5 (2) FORCE OF LAW.—The maps and legal de-  
6 scriptions filed under paragraph (1) shall have the  
7 same force and effect as if included in this Act, ex-  
8 cept that the Secretary may correct any clerical and  
9 typographical errors in the maps and legal descrip-  
10 tions.

11 (3) PUBLIC AVAILABILITY.—The maps and  
12 legal descriptions filed under paragraph (1) shall be  
13 on file and available for public inspection in the ap-  
14 propriate offices of the Forest Service and Bureau  
15 of Land Management.

16 **SEC. 4. DESIGNATION OF THE MACHESNA MOUNTAIN PO-**  
17 **TENTIAL WILDERNESS.**

18 (a) DESIGNATION.—In furtherance of the purposes of  
19 the Wilderness Act (16 U.S.C. 1131 et seq.), certain land  
20 in the Los Padres National Forest comprising approxi-  
21 mately 2,359 acres, as generally depicted on the map enti-  
22 tled “Machesna Mountain Potential Wilderness” and  
23 dated March 29, 2019, is designated as the Machesna  
24 Mountain Potential Wilderness Area.

25 (b) MAP AND LEGAL DESCRIPTION.—

1           (1) IN GENERAL.—As soon as practicable after  
2 the date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary  
3 shall file a map and legal description of the  
4 Machesna Mountain Potential Wilderness Area (re-  
5 ferred to in this section as the “potential wilderness  
6 area”) with—

7                   (A) the Committee on Energy and Natural  
8 Resources of the Senate; and

9                   (B) the Committee on Natural Resources  
10 of the House of Representatives.

11           (2) FORCE OF LAW.—The map and legal de-  
12 scription filed under paragraph (1) shall have the  
13 same force and effect as if included in this Act, ex-  
14 cept that the Secretary may correct any clerical and  
15 typographical errors in the map and legal descrip-  
16 tion.

17           (3) PUBLIC AVAILABILITY.—The map and legal  
18 description filed under paragraph (1) shall be on file  
19 and available for public inspection in the appropriate  
20 offices of the Forest Service.

21           (c) MANAGEMENT.—Except as provided in subsection  
22 (d) and subject to valid existing rights, the Secretary shall  
23 manage the potential wilderness area in accordance with  
24 the Wilderness Act (16 U.S.C. 1131 et seq.).



1 (d) TRAIL USE, CONSTRUCTION, RECONSTRUCTION,  
2 AND REALIGNMENT.—

3 (1) IN GENERAL.—In accordance with para-  
4 graph (2), the Secretary may reconstruct, realign, or  
5 reroute the Pine Mountain Trail.

6 (2) REQUIREMENT.—In carrying out the recon-  
7 struction, realignment, or rerouting under paragraph  
8 (1), the Secretary shall—

9 (A) comply with all existing laws (including  
10 regulations); and

11 (B) to the maximum extent practicable,  
12 use the minimum tool or administrative practice  
13 necessary to accomplish the reconstruction, re-  
14 alignment, or rerouting with the least amount  
15 of adverse impact on wilderness character and  
16 resources.

17 (3) MOTORIZED VEHICLES AND MACHINERY.—  
18 In accordance with paragraph (2), the Secretary  
19 may use motorized vehicles and machinery to carry  
20 out the trail reconstruction, realignment, or rerout-  
21 ing authorized by this subsection.

22 (4) MOTORIZED AND MECHANIZED VEHI-  
23 CLES.—The Secretary may permit the use of motor-  
24 ized and mechanized vehicles on the existing Pine  
25 Mountain Trail in accordance with existing law (in-

1 including regulations) and this subsection until such  
2 date as the potential wilderness area is designated  
3 as wilderness in accordance with subsection (h).

4 (e) WITHDRAWAL.—Subject to valid existing rights,  
5 the Federal land in the potential wilderness area is with-  
6 drawn from all forms of—

7 (1) entry, appropriation, or disposal under the  
8 public land laws;

9 (2) location, entry, and patent under the mining  
10 laws; and

11 (3) disposition under all laws pertaining to min-  
12 eral and geothermal leasing or mineral materials.

13 (f) COOPERATIVE AGREEMENTS.—In carrying out  
14 this section, the Secretary may enter into cooperative  
15 agreements with State, Tribal, and local governmental en-  
16 tities and private entities to complete the trail reconstruc-  
17 tion, realignment, or rerouting authorized by subsection  
18 (d).

19 (g) BOUNDARIES.—The Secretary shall modify the  
20 boundary of the potential wilderness area to exclude any  
21 area within 150 feet of the centerline of the new location  
22 of any trail that has been reconstructed, realigned, or re-  
23 routed under subsection (d).

24 (h) WILDERNESS DESIGNATION.—

1           (1) IN GENERAL.—The potential wilderness  
2 area, as modified under subsection (g), shall be des-  
3 ignated as wilderness and as a component of the Na-  
4 tional Wilderness Preservation System on the earlier  
5 of—

6           (A) the date on which the Secretary pub-  
7 lishes in the Federal Register notice that the  
8 trail reconstruction, realignment, or rerouting  
9 authorized by subsection (d) has been com-  
10 pleted; or

11           (B) the date that is 20 years after the date  
12 of enactment of this Act.

13           (2) ADMINISTRATION OF WILDERNESS.—On  
14 designation as wilderness under this section, the po-  
15 tential wilderness area shall be—

16           (A) incorporated into the Machesna Moun-  
17 tain Wilderness Area, as designated by the Cali-  
18 fornia Wilderness Act of 1984 (Public Law 98–  
19 425; 16 U.S.C. 1132 note) and expanded by  
20 section 403; and

21           (B) administered in accordance with sec-  
22 tion 405 and the Wilderness Act (16 U.S.C.  
23 1131 et seq.).

1 **SEC. 5. ADMINISTRATION OF WILDERNESS.**

2 (a) IN GENERAL.—Subject to valid existing rights,  
3 the wilderness areas shall be administered by the Sec-  
4 retary in accordance with this Act and the Wilderness Act  
5 (16 U.S.C. 1131 et seq.), except that—

6 (1) any reference in the Wilderness Act (16  
7 U.S.C. 1131 et seq.) to the effective date of that Act  
8 shall be considered to be a reference to the date of  
9 enactment of this Act; and

10 (2) any reference in the Wilderness Act (16  
11 U.S.C. 1131 et seq.) to the Secretary of Agriculture  
12 shall be considered to be a reference to the Secretary  
13 that has jurisdiction over the wilderness area.

14 (b) FIRE MANAGEMENT AND RELATED ACTIVI-  
15 TIES.—

16 (1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary may take any  
17 measures in a wilderness area as are necessary for  
18 the control of fire, insects, and diseases in accord-  
19 ance with section 4(d)(1) of the Wilderness Act (16  
20 U.S.C. 1133(d)(1)) and House Report 98–40 of the  
21 98th Congress.

22 (2) FUNDING PRIORITIES.—Nothing in this Act  
23 limits funding for fire and fuels management in the  
24 wilderness areas.

25 (3) REVISION AND DEVELOPMENT OF LOCAL  
26 FIRE MANAGEMENT PLANS.—As soon as practicable

1 after the date of enactment of this Act, the Sec-  
2 retary shall amend the local information in the Fire  
3 Management Reference System or individual oper-  
4 ational plans that apply to the land designated as a  
5 wilderness area.

6 (4) ADMINISTRATION.—Consistent with para-  
7 graph (1) and other applicable Federal law, to en-  
8 sure a timely and efficient response to fire emer-  
9 gencies in the wilderness areas, the Secretary shall  
10 enter into agreements with appropriate State or  
11 local firefighting agencies.

12 (c) GRAZING.—The grazing of livestock in the wilder-  
13 ness areas, if established before the date of enactment of  
14 this Act, shall be permitted to continue, subject to any  
15 reasonable regulations as the Secretary considers nec-  
16 essary in accordance with—

17 (1) section 4(d)(4) of the Wilderness Act (16  
18 U.S.C. 1133(d)(4));

19 (2) the guidelines set forth in Appendix A of  
20 House Report 101–405, accompanying H.R. 2570 of  
21 the 101st Congress for land under the jurisdiction of  
22 the Secretary of the Interior;

23 (3) the guidelines set forth in House Report  
24 96–617, accompanying H.R. 5487 of the 96th Con-

1       gress for land under the jurisdiction of the Secretary  
2       of Agriculture; and

3               (4) all other laws governing livestock grazing on  
4       Federal public land.

5       (d) FISH AND WILDLIFE.—

6               (1) IN GENERAL.—In accordance with section  
7       4(d)(7) of the Wilderness Act (16 U.S.C.  
8       1133(d)(7)), nothing in this Act affects the jurisdic-  
9       tion or responsibilities of the State with respect to  
10      fish and wildlife on public land in the State.

11              (2) MANAGEMENT ACTIVITIES.—In furtherance  
12      of the purposes and principles of the Wilderness Act  
13      (16 U.S.C. 1131 et seq.), the Secretary may conduct  
14      any management activities that are necessary to  
15      maintain or restore fish and wildlife populations and  
16      habitats in the wilderness areas, if the management  
17      activities are—

18              (A) consistent with relevant wilderness  
19      management plans;

20              (B) conducted in accordance with appro-  
21      priate policies, such as the policies established  
22      in Appendix B of House Report 101–405; and

23              (C) in accordance with memoranda of un-  
24      derstanding between the Federal agencies and  
25      the State Department of Fish and Wildlife.

1 (e) BUFFER ZONES.—

2 (1) IN GENERAL.—Congress does not intend for  
3 the designation of wilderness areas by this Act to  
4 lead to the creation of protective perimeters or buff-  
5 er zones around each wilderness area.

6 (2) ACTIVITIES OR USES UP TO BOUNDARIES.—  
7 The fact that nonwilderness activities or uses can be  
8 seen or heard from within a wilderness area shall  
9 not, of itself, preclude the activities or uses up to the  
10 boundary of the wilderness area.

11 (f) MILITARY ACTIVITIES.—Nothing in this Act pre-  
12 cludes—

13 (1) low-level overflights of military aircraft over  
14 the wilderness areas;

15 (2) the designation of new units of special air-  
16 space over the wilderness areas; or

17 (3) the use or establishment of military flight  
18 training routes over wilderness areas.

19 (g) HORSES.—Nothing in this Act precludes horse-  
20 back riding in, or the entry of recreational saddle or pack  
21 stock into, a wilderness area—

22 (1) in accordance with section 4(d)(5) of the  
23 Wilderness Act (16 U.S.C. 1133(d)(5)); and

24 (2) subject to any terms and conditions deter-  
25 mined to be necessary by the Secretary.

1 (h) WITHDRAWAL.—Subject to valid existing rights,  
2 the wilderness areas are withdrawn from—

3 (1) all forms of entry, appropriation, and dis-  
4 posal under the public land laws;

5 (2) location, entry, and patent under the mining  
6 laws; and

7 (3) disposition under all laws pertaining to min-  
8 eral and geothermal leasing or mineral materials.

9 (i) INCORPORATION OF ACQUIRED LAND AND INTER-  
10 ESTS.—Any land within the boundary of a wilderness area  
11 that is acquired by the United States shall—

12 (1) become part of the wilderness area in which  
13 the land is located; and

14 (2) be managed in accordance with—

15 (A) this section;

16 (B) the Wilderness Act (16 U.S.C. 1131 et  
17 seq.); and

18 (C) any other applicable law.

19 (j) TREATMENT OF EXISTING WATER DIVERSIONS IN  
20 THE SAN RAFAEL WILDERNESS ADDITIONS.—

21 (1) AUTHORIZATION FOR CONTINUED USE.—

22 The Secretary of Agriculture may issue a special use  
23 authorization to the owners of the 2 existing water  
24 transport or diversion facilities, including adminis-  
25 trative access roads (in this subsection referred to as



1 a “facility”), located on National Forest System  
2 land in the San Rafael Wilderness Additions in the  
3 Moon Canyon unit (T. 11 N., R. 30 W., secs. 13  
4 and 14) and the Peak Mountain unit (T. 10 N., R.  
5 28 W., secs. 23 and 26) for the continued operation,  
6 maintenance, and reconstruction of the facility if the  
7 Secretary determines that—

8 (A) the facility was in existence on the  
9 date on which the land on which the facility is  
10 located was designated as part of the National  
11 Wilderness Preservation System (in this sub-  
12 section referred to as “the date of designa-  
13 tion”);

14 (B) the facility has been in substantially  
15 continuous use to deliver water for the bene-  
16 ficial use on the non-Federal land of the owner  
17 since the date of designation;

18 (C) the owner of the facility holds a valid  
19 water right for use of the water on the non-  
20 Federal land of the owner under State law, with  
21 a priority date that predates the date of des-  
22 ignation; and

23 (D) it is not practicable or feasible to relo-  
24 cate the facility to land outside of the wilder-  
25 ness and continue the beneficial use of water on

1 the non-Federal land recognized under State  
2 law.

3 (2) TERMS AND CONDITIONS.—

4 (A) REQUIRED TERMS AND CONDITIONS.—

5 In a special use authorization issued under  
6 paragraph (1), the Secretary may—

7 (i) allow use of motorized equipment  
8 and mechanized transport for operation,  
9 maintenance, or reconstruction of a facil-  
10 ity, if the Secretary determines that—

11 (I) the use is the minimum nec-  
12 essary to allow the facility to continue  
13 delivery of water to the non-Federal  
14 land for the beneficial uses recognized  
15 by the water right held under State  
16 law; and

17 (II) the use of nonmotorized  
18 equipment and nonmechanized trans-  
19 port is impracticable or infeasible; and

20 (ii) preclude use of the facility for the  
21 diversion or transport of water in excess of  
22 the water right recognized by the State on  
23 the date of designation.

24 (B) DISCRETIONARY TERMS AND CONDI-  
25 TIONS.—In a special use authorization issued

1 under paragraph (1), the Secretary may require  
2 or allow modification or relocation of the facility  
3 in the wilderness, as the Secretary determines  
4 necessary, to reduce impacts to wilderness val-  
5 ues set forth in section 2 of the Wilderness Act  
6 (16 U.S.C. 1131) if the beneficial use of water  
7 on the non-Federal land is not diminished.

8 (k) TREATMENT OF EXISTING ELECTRICAL DIS-  
9 TRIBUTION LINE IN THE SAN RAFAEL WILDERNESS AD-  
10 DITIONS.—

11 (1) AUTHORIZATION FOR CONTINUED USE.—

12 The Secretary of Agriculture may issue a special use  
13 authorization to the owners of the existing electrical  
14 distribution line to the Plowshare Peak communica-  
15 tion site (in this subsection referred to as a “facil-  
16 ity”) located on National Forest System land in the  
17 San Rafael Wilderness Additions in the Moon Can-  
18 yon unit (T. 11 N., R. 30 W., secs. 2, 3 and 4) for  
19 the continued operation, maintenance, and recon-  
20 struction of the facility if the Secretary determines  
21 that—

22 (A) the facility was in existence on the  
23 date on which the land on which the facility is  
24 located was designated as part of the National  
25 Wilderness Preservation System (in this sub-

1 section referred to as “the date of designa-  
2 tion”);

3 (B) the facility has been in substantially  
4 continuous use to deliver electricity to the com-  
5 munication site; and

6 (C) it is not practicable or feasible to relo-  
7 cate the distribution line to land outside of the  
8 wilderness.

9 (2) TERMS AND CONDITIONS.—

10 (A) REQUIRED TERMS AND CONDITIONS.—

11 In a special use authorization issued under  
12 paragraph (1), the Secretary may allow use of  
13 motorized equipment and mechanized transport  
14 for operation, maintenance, or reconstruction of  
15 the electrical distribution line, if the Secretary  
16 determines that the use of nonmotorized equip-  
17 ment and nonmechanized transport is impracti-  
18 cable or infeasible.

19 (B) DISCRETIONARY TERMS AND CONDI-

20 TIONS.—In a special use authorization issued  
21 under paragraph (1), the Secretary may require  
22 or allow modification or relocation of the facility  
23 in the wilderness, as the Secretary determines  
24 necessary, to reduce impacts to wilderness val-

1           ues set forth in section 2 of the Wilderness Act  
2           (16 U.S.C. 1131).

3           (l) CLIMATOLOGICAL DATA COLLECTION.—In ac-  
4 cordance with the Wilderness Act (16 U.S.C. 1131 et seq.)  
5 and subject to terms and conditions as the Secretary may  
6 prescribe, the Secretary may authorize the installation and  
7 maintenance of hydrologic, meteorologic, or climatological  
8 collection devices in the wilderness areas if the Secretary  
9 determines that the facilities and access to the facilities  
10 are essential to flood warning, flood control, or water res-  
11 ervoir operation activities.

12 **SEC. 6. DESIGNATION OF WILD AND SCENIC RIVERS.**

13           (a) INDIAN CREEK, MONO CREEK, AND MATILIJA  
14 CREEK, CALIFORNIA.—Section 3(a) of the Wild and Sce-  
15 nic Rivers Act (16 U.S.C. 1274(a)) is amended by adding  
16 at the end the following:

17           “(231) INDIAN CREEK, CALIFORNIA.—The fol-  
18 lowing segments of Indian Creek in the State of  
19 California, to be administered by the Secretary of  
20 Agriculture:

21           “(A) The 9.5-mile segment of Indian Creek  
22 from its source in sec. 19, T. 7 N., R. 26 W.,  
23 to the Dick Smith Wilderness boundary, as a  
24 wild river.

1           “(B) The 1-mile segment of Indian Creek  
2           from the Dick Smith Wilderness boundary to  
3           0.25 miles downstream of Road 6N24, as a sce-  
4           nic river.

5           “(C) The 3.9-mile segment of Indian Creek  
6           from 0.25 miles downstream of Road 6N24 to  
7           the southern boundary of sec. 32, T. 6 N., R.  
8           26 W., as a wild river.

9           “(232) MONO CREEK, CALIFORNIA.—The fol-  
10          lowing segments of Mono Creek in the State of Cali-  
11          fornia, to be administered by the Secretary of Agri-  
12          culture:

13           “(A) The 4.2-mile segment of Mono Creek  
14           from its source in sec. 1, T. 7 N., R. 26 W.,  
15           to 0.25 miles upstream of Don Victor Fire  
16           Road in sec. 28, T. 7 N., R. 25 W., as a wild  
17           river.

18           “(B) The 2.1-mile segment of Mono Creek  
19           from 0.25 miles upstream of the Don Victor  
20           Fire Road in sec. 28, T. 7 N., R. 25 W., to  
21           0.25 miles downstream of Don Victor Fire  
22           Road in sec. 34, T. 7 N., R. 25 W., as a rec-  
23           reational river.

24           “(C) The 14.7-mile segment of Mono  
25           Creek from 0.25 miles downstream of Don Vic-

1 tor Fire Road in sec. 34, T. 7 N., R. 25 W.,  
2 to the Ogilvy Ranch private property boundary  
3 in sec. 22, T. 6 N., R. 26 W., as a wild river.

4 “(D) The 3.5-mile segment of Mono Creek  
5 from the Ogilvy Ranch private property bound-  
6 ary to the southern boundary of sec. 33, T. 6  
7 N., R. 26 W., as a recreational river.

8 “(233) MATILIJA CREEK, CALIFORNIA.—The  
9 following segments of Matilija Creek in the State of  
10 California, to be administered by the Secretary of  
11 Agriculture:

12 “(A) The 7.2-mile segment of the Matilija  
13 Creek from its source in sec. 25, T. 6 N., R.  
14 25 W., to the private property boundary in sec.  
15 9, T. 5 N., R. 24 W., as a wild river.

16 “(B) The 7.25-mile segment of the Upper  
17 North Fork Matilija Creek from its source in  
18 sec. 36, T. 6 N., R. 24 W., to the Matilija Wil-  
19 derness boundary, as a wild river.”.

20 (b) SESPE CREEK, CALIFORNIA.—Section 3(a) of the  
21 Wild and Scenic Rivers Act (16 U.S.C. 1274(a)) is amend-  
22 ed by striking paragraph (142) and inserting the fol-  
23 lowing:

24 “(142) SESPE CREEK, CALIFORNIA.—The fol-  
25 lowing segments of Sespe Creek in the State of Cali-

1       fornia, to be administered by the Secretary of Agri-  
2       culture:

3               “(A) The 2.7-mile segment of Sespe Creek  
4               from the private property boundary in sec. 10,  
5               T. 6 N., R. 24 W., to the Hartman Ranch pri-  
6               vate property boundary in sec. 14, T. 6 N., R.  
7               24 W., as a wild river.

8               “(B) The 15-mile segment of Sespe Creek  
9               from the Hartman Ranch private property  
10              boundary in sec. 14, T. 6 N., R. 24 W., to the  
11              western boundary of sec. 6, T. 5 N., R. 22 W.,  
12              as a recreational river.

13              “(C) The 6.1-mile segment of Sespe Creek  
14              from the western boundary of sec. 6, T. 5 N.,  
15              R. 22 W., to the confluence with Trout Creek,  
16              as a scenic river.

17              “(D) The 28.6-mile segment of Sespe  
18              Creek from the confluence with Trout Creek to  
19              the southern boundary of sec. 35, T. 5 N., R.  
20              20 W., as a wild river.”.

21       (c) SISQUOC RIVER, CALIFORNIA.—Section 3(a) of  
22 the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act (16 U.S.C. 1274(a)) is  
23 amended by striking paragraph (143) and inserting the  
24 following:



1           “(143) SISQUOC RIVER, CALIFORNIA.—The fol-  
2           lowing segments of the Sisquoc River and its tribu-  
3           taries in the State of California, to be administered  
4           by the Secretary of Agriculture:

5           “(A) The 33-mile segment of the main  
6           stem of the Sisquoc River extending from its  
7           origin downstream to the Los Padres Forest  
8           boundary, as a wild river.

9           “(B) The 4.2-mile segment of the South  
10          Fork Sisquoc River from its source northeast of  
11          San Rafael Mountain in sec. 2, T. 7 N., R. 28  
12          W., to its confluence with the Sisquoc River, as  
13          a wild river.

14          “(C) The 10.4-mile segment of Manzana  
15          Creek from its source west of San Rafael Peak  
16          in sec. 4, T. 7 N., R. 28 W., to the San Rafael  
17          Wilderness boundary upstream of Nira Camp-  
18          ground, as a wild river.

19          “(D) The 0.6-mile segment of Manzana  
20          Creek from the San Rafael Wilderness bound-  
21          ary upstream of the Nira Campground to the  
22          San Rafael Wilderness boundary downstream of  
23          the confluence of Davy Brown Creek, as a rec-  
24          reational river.

1           “(E) The 5.8-mile segment of Manzana  
2           Creek from the San Rafael Wilderness bound-  
3           ary downstream of the confluence of Davy  
4           Brown Creek to the private property boundary  
5           in sec. 1, T. 8 N., R. 30 W., as a wild river.

6           “(F) The 3.8-mile segment of Manzana  
7           Creek from the private property boundary in  
8           sec. 1, T. 8 N., R. 30 W., to the confluence of  
9           the Sisquoc River, as a recreational river.

10          “(G) The 3.4-mile segment of Davy Brown  
11          Creek from its source west of Ranger Peak in  
12          sec. 32, T. 8 N., R. 29 W., to 300 feet up-  
13          stream of its confluence with Munch Canyon, as  
14          a wild river.

15          “(H) The 1.4-mile segment of Davy Brown  
16          Creek from 300 feet upstream of its confluence  
17          with Munch Canyon to its confluence with  
18          Manzana Creek, as a recreational river.

19          “(I) The 2-mile segment of Munch Canyon  
20          from its source north of Ranger Peak in sec.  
21          33, T. 8 N., R. 29 W., to 300 feet upstream  
22          of its confluence with Sunset Valley Creek, as  
23          a wild river.

24          “(J) The 0.5-mile segment of Munch Can-  
25          yon from 300 feet upstream of its confluence

1 with Sunset Valley Creek to its confluence with  
2 Davy Brown Creek, as a recreational river.

3 “(K) The 2.6-mile segment of Fish Creek  
4 from 500 feet downstream of Sunset Valley  
5 Road to its confluence with Manzana Creek, as  
6 a wild river.

7 “(L) The 1.5-mile segment of East Fork  
8 Fish Creek from its source in sec. 26, T. 8 N.,  
9 R. 29 W., to its confluence with Fish Creek, as  
10 a wild river.”.

11 (d) PIRU CREEK, CALIFORNIA.—Section 3(a) of the  
12 Wild and Scenic Rivers Act (16 U.S.C. 1274(a)) is amend-  
13 ed by striking paragraph (199) and inserting the fol-  
14 lowing:

15 “(199) PIRU CREEK, CALIFORNIA.—The fol-  
16 lowing segments of Piru Creek in the State of Cali-  
17 fornia, to be administered by the Secretary of Agri-  
18 culture:

19 “(A) The 9.1-mile segment of Piru Creek  
20 from its source in sec. 3, T. 6 N., R. 22 W.,  
21 to the private property boundary in sec. 4, T.  
22 6 N., R. 21 W., as a wild river.

23 “(B) The 17.2-mile segment of Piru Creek  
24 from the private property boundary in sec. 4, T.

1           6 N., R. 21 W., to 0.25 miles downstream of  
2           the Gold Hill Road, as a scenic river.

3           “(C) The 4.1-mile segment of Piru Creek  
4           from 0.25 miles downstream of Gold Hill Road  
5           to the confluence with Trail Canyon, as a wild  
6           river.

7           “(D) The 7.25-mile segment of Piru Creek  
8           from the confluence with Trail Canyon to the  
9           confluence with Buck Creek, as a scenic river.

10          “(E) The 3-mile segment of Piru Creek  
11          from 0.5 miles downstream of Pyramid Dam at  
12          the first bridge crossing to the boundary of the  
13          Sespe Wilderness, as a recreational river.

14          “(F) The 13-mile segment of Piru Creek  
15          from the boundary of the Sespe Wilderness to  
16          the boundary of the Sespe Wilderness, as a wild  
17          river.

18          “(G) The 2.2-mile segment of Piru Creek  
19          from the boundary of the Sespe Wilderness to  
20          the upper limit of Piru Reservoir, as a rec-  
21          reational river.”.

22          (e) EFFECT.—The designation of additional miles of  
23          Piru Creek under subsection (d) shall not affect valid  
24          water rights in existence on the date of enactment of this  
25          Act.

1 (f) **MOTORIZED USE OF TRAILS.**—Nothing in this  
2 section (including the amendments made by this section)  
3 affects the motorized use of trails designated by the Forest  
4 Service for motorized use that are located adjacent to and  
5 crossing upper Piru Creek, if the use is consistent with  
6 the protection and enhancement of river values under the  
7 Wild and Scenic Rivers Act (16 U.S.C. 1271 et seq.).

8 **SEC. 7. DESIGNATION OF THE FOX MOUNTAIN POTENTIAL**  
9 **WILDERNESS.**

10 (a) **DESIGNATION.**—In furtherance of the purposes of  
11 the Wilderness Act (16 U.S.C. 1131 et seq.), certain land  
12 in the Los Padres National Forest comprising approxi-  
13 mately 41,082 acres, as generally depicted on the map en-  
14 titled “Fox Mountain Potential Wilderness Area” and  
15 dated November 14, 2019, is designated as the Fox Moun-  
16 tain Potential Wilderness Area.

17 (b) **MAP AND LEGAL DESCRIPTION.**—

18 (1) **IN GENERAL.**—As soon as practicable after  
19 the date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary of  
20 Agriculture shall file a map and a legal description  
21 of the Fox Mountain Potential Wilderness Area (re-  
22 ferred to in this section as the “potential wilderness  
23 area”) with—

24 (A) the Committee on Energy and Natural  
25 Resources of the Senate; and

1 (B) the Committee on Natural Resources  
2 of the House of Representatives.

3 (2) FORCE OF LAW.—The map and legal de-  
4 scription filed under paragraph (1) shall have the  
5 same force and effect as if included in this Act, ex-  
6 cept that the Secretary of Agriculture may correct  
7 any clerical and typographical errors in the map and  
8 legal description.

9 (3) PUBLIC AVAILABILITY.—The map and legal  
10 description filed under paragraph (1) shall be on file  
11 and available for public inspection in the appropriate  
12 offices of the Forest Service.

13 (c) MANAGEMENT.—Except as provided in subsection  
14 (d) and subject to valid existing rights, the Secretary shall  
15 manage the potential wilderness area in accordance with  
16 the Wilderness Act (16 U.S.C. 1131 et seq.).

17 (d) TRAIL USE CONSTRUCTION, RECONSTRUCTION,  
18 AND REALIGNMENT.—

19 (1) IN GENERAL.—In accordance with para-  
20 graph (2), the Secretary of Agriculture may—

21 (A) construct a new trail for use by hikers,  
22 equestrians, and mechanized vehicles that con-  
23 nects the Aliso Park Campground to the Bull  
24 Ridge Trail; and

25 (B) reconstruct or realign—

- 1 (i) the Bull Ridge Trail; and
- 2 (ii) the Rocky Ridge Trail.

3 (2) REQUIREMENT.—In carrying out the con-  
4 struction, reconstruction, or alignment under para-  
5 graph (1), the Secretary shall—

6 (A) comply with all existing laws (including  
7 regulations); and

8 (B) to the maximum extent practicable,  
9 use the minimum tool or administrative practice  
10 necessary to accomplish the construction, recon-  
11 struction, or alignment with the least amount of  
12 adverse impact on wilderness character and re-  
13 sources.

14 (3) MOTORIZED VEHICLES AND MACHINERY.—  
15 In accordance with paragraph (2), the Secretary  
16 may use motorized vehicles and machinery to carry  
17 out the trail construction, reconstruction, or realign-  
18 ment authorized by this subsection.

19 (4) MECHANIZED VEHICLES.—The Secretary  
20 may permit the use of mechanized vehicles on the  
21 existing Bull Ridge Trail and Rocky Ridge Trail in  
22 accordance with existing law (including regulations)  
23 and this subsection until such date as the potential  
24 wilderness area is designated as wilderness in ac-  
25 cordance with subsection (h).

1 (e) WITHDRAWAL.—Subject to valid existing rights,  
2 the Federal land in the potential wilderness area is with-  
3 drawn from all forms of—

4 (1) entry, appropriation, or disposal under the  
5 public land laws;

6 (2) location, entry, and patent under the mining  
7 laws; and

8 (3) disposition under all laws pertaining to min-  
9 eral and geothermal leasing or mineral materials.

10 (f) COOPERATIVE AGREEMENTS.—In carrying out  
11 this section, the Secretary may enter into cooperative  
12 agreements with State, Tribal, and local governmental en-  
13 tities and private entities to complete the trail construc-  
14 tion, reconstruction, and realignment authorized by sub-  
15 section (d).

16 (g) BOUNDARIES.—The Secretary shall modify the  
17 boundary of the potential wilderness area to exclude any  
18 area within 50 feet of the centerline of the new location  
19 of any trail that has been constructed, reconstructed, or  
20 realigned under subsection (d).

21 (h) WILDERNESS DESIGNATION.—

22 (1) IN GENERAL.—The potential wilderness  
23 area, as modified under subsection (g), shall be des-  
24 ignated as wilderness and as a component of the Na-



1 tional Wilderness Preservation System on the earlier  
2 of—

3 (A) the date on which the Secretary pub-  
4 lishes in the Federal Register notice that the  
5 trail construction, reconstruction, or alignment  
6 authorized by subsection (d) has been com-  
7 pleted; or

8 (B) the date that is 20 years after the date  
9 of enactment of this Act.

10 (2) ADMINISTRATION OF WILDERNESS.—On  
11 designation as wilderness under this section, the po-  
12 tential wilderness area shall be—

13 (A) incorporated into the San Rafael Wil-  
14 derness, as designated by Public Law 90–271  
15 (82 Stat. 51), the California Wilderness Act of  
16 1984 (Public Law 98–425; 16 U.S.C. 1132  
17 note), and the Los Padres Condor Range and  
18 River Protection Act (Public Law 102–301; 106  
19 Stat. 242), and section 403; and

20 (B) administered in accordance with sec-  
21 tion 405 and the Wilderness Act (16 U.S.C.  
22 1131 et seq.).

23 **SEC. 8. DESIGNATION OF SCENIC AREAS.**

24 (a) IN GENERAL.—Subject to valid existing rights,  
25 there are established the following scenic areas:

1           (1) CONDOR RIDGE SCENIC AREA.—Certain  
2 land in the Los Padres National Forest comprising  
3 approximately 18,666 acres, as generally depicted on  
4 the map entitled “Condor Ridge Scenic Area—Pro-  
5 posed” and dated March 29, 2019, which shall be  
6 known as the “Condor Ridge Scenic Area”.

7           (2) BLACK MOUNTAIN SCENIC AREA.—Certain  
8 land in the Los Padres National Forest and the Ba-  
9 kersfield Field Office of the Bureau of Land Man-  
10 agement comprising approximately 16,216 acres, as  
11 generally depicted on the map entitled “Black Moun-  
12 tain Scenic Area—Proposed” and dated March 29,  
13 2019, which shall be known as the “Black Mountain  
14 Scenic Area”.

15 (b) MAPS AND LEGAL DESCRIPTIONS.—

16           (1) IN GENERAL.—As soon as practicable after  
17 the date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary of  
18 Agriculture shall file a map and legal description of  
19 the Condor Ridge Scenic Area and Black Mountain  
20 Scenic Area with—

21                   (A) the Committee on Energy and Natural  
22 Resources of the Senate; and

23                   (B) the Committee on Natural Resources  
24 of the House of Representatives.

1           (2) FORCE OF LAW.—The maps and legal de-  
2           scriptions filed under paragraph (1) shall have the  
3           same force and effect as if included in this Act, ex-  
4           cept that the Secretary of Agriculture may correct  
5           any clerical and typographical errors in the maps  
6           and legal descriptions.

7           (3) PUBLIC AVAILABILITY.—The maps and  
8           legal descriptions filed under paragraph (1) shall be  
9           on file and available for public inspection in the ap-  
10          propriate offices of the Forest Service and Bureau  
11          of Land Management.

12          (c) PURPOSE.—The purpose of the scenic areas is to  
13          conserve, protect, and enhance for the benefit and enjoy-  
14          ment of present and future generations the ecological, sce-  
15          nic, wildlife, recreational, cultural, historical, natural, edu-  
16          cational, and scientific resources of the scenic areas.

17          (d) MANAGEMENT.—

18                 (1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary shall admin-  
19                 ister the scenic areas—

20                         (A) in a manner that conserves, protects,  
21                         and enhances the resources of the scenic areas,  
22                         and in particular the scenic character attributes  
23                         of the scenic areas; and

24                         (B) in accordance with—

25                                 (i) this section;

1 (ii) the Federal Land Policy and Man-  
2 agement Act (43 U.S.C. 1701 et seq.) for  
3 land under the jurisdiction of the Secretary  
4 of the Interior;

5 (iii) any laws (including regulations)  
6 relating to the National Forest System, for  
7 land under the jurisdiction of the Secretary  
8 of Agriculture; and

9 (iv) any other applicable law (includ-  
10 ing regulations).

11 (2) USES.—The Secretary shall only allow those  
12 uses of the scenic areas that the Secretary deter-  
13 mines would further the purposes described in sub-  
14 section (c).

15 (e) WITHDRAWAL.—Subject to valid existing rights,  
16 the Federal land in the scenic areas is withdrawn from  
17 all forms of—

18 (1) entry, appropriation, or disposal under the  
19 public land laws;

20 (2) location, entry, and patent under the mining  
21 laws; and

22 (3) disposition under all laws pertaining to min-  
23 eral and geothermal leasing or mineral materials.

24 (f) PROHIBITED USES.—The following shall be pro-  
25 hibited on the Federal land within the scenic areas:

1 (1) Permanent roads.

2 (2) Permanent structures.

3 (3) Timber harvesting except when necessary  
4 for the purposes described in subsection (g).

5 (4) Transmission lines.

6 (5) Except as necessary to meet the minimum  
7 requirements for the administration of the scenic  
8 areas and to protect public health and safety—

9 (A) the use of motorized vehicles; or

10 (B) the establishment of temporary roads.

11 (6) Commercial enterprises, except as necessary  
12 for realizing the purposes of the scenic areas.

13 (g) WILDFIRE, INSECT, AND DISEASE MANAGE-  
14 MENT.—Consistent with this section, the Secretary may  
15 take any measures in the scenic areas that the Secretary  
16 determines to be necessary to control fire, insects, and dis-  
17 eases, including, as the Secretary determines to be appro-  
18 priate, the coordination of those activities with the State  
19 or a local agency.

20 (h) ADJACENT MANAGEMENT.—The fact that an oth-  
21 erwise authorized activity or use can be seen or heard  
22 within a scenic area shall not preclude the activity or use  
23 outside the boundary of the scenic area.

1 **SEC. 9. CONDOR NATIONAL SCENIC TRAIL.**

2 (a) IN GENERAL.—The contiguous trail established  
3 pursuant to this section shall be known as the “Condor  
4 National Scenic Trail” named after the California condor,  
5 a critically endangered bird species that lives along the  
6 extent of the trail corridor.

7 (b) PURPOSE.—The purposes of the Condor National  
8 Scenic Trail are to—

9 (1) provide a continual extended hiking corridor  
10 that connects the southern and northern portions of  
11 the Los Padres National Forest, spanning the entire  
12 length of the forest along the coastal mountains of  
13 southern and central California; and

14 (2) provide for the public enjoyment of the na-  
15 tionally significant scenic, historic, natural, and cul-  
16 tural qualities of the Los Padres National Forest.

17 (c) AMENDMENT.—Section 5(a) of the National  
18 Trails System Act (16 U.S.C. 1244(a)) is amended by  
19 adding at the end the following:

20 “(31) CONDOR NATIONAL SCENIC TRAIL.—

21 “(A) IN GENERAL.—The Condor National  
22 Scenic Trail, a trail extending approximately  
23 400 miles from Lake Piru in the southern por-  
24 tion of the Los Padres National Forest to the  
25 Botchers Gap Campground in northern portion  
26 of the Los Padres National Forest.

1           “(B) ADMINISTRATION.—The trail shall be  
2 administered by the Secretary of Agriculture, in  
3 consultation with—

4                   “(i) other Federal, State, Tribal, re-  
5 gional, and local agencies;

6                   “(ii) private landowners; and

7                   “(iii) other interested organizations.

8           “(C) RECREATIONAL USES.—Notwith-  
9 standing section 7(c), the use of motorized vehi-  
10 cles on roads or trails included in the Condor  
11 National Scenic Trail on which motorized vehi-  
12 cles are permitted as of the date of enactment  
13 of this paragraph may be permitted.

14           “(D) PRIVATE PROPERTY RIGHTS.—

15                   “(i) PROHIBITION.—The Secretary  
16 shall not acquire for the trail any land or  
17 interest in land outside the exterior bound-  
18 ary of any federally managed area without  
19 the consent of the owner of land or interest  
20 in land.

21                   “(ii) EFFECT.—Nothing in this para-  
22 graph—

23                           “(I) requires any private prop-  
24 erty owner to allow public access (in-  
25 cluding Federal, State, or local gov-

1                   ernment access) to private property;  
2                   or

3                   “(II) modifies any provision of  
4                   Federal, State, or local law with re-  
5                   spect to public access to or use of pri-  
6                   vate land.

7                   “(E) REALIGNMENT.—The Secretary of  
8                   Agriculture may realign segments of the Condor  
9                   National Scenic Trail as necessary to fulfill the  
10                  purposes of the trail.

11                  “(F) MAP.—The map referred to in sub-  
12                  paragraph (A) shall be on file and available for  
13                  public inspection in the appropriate offices of  
14                  the Forest Service.”.

15                  (d) STUDY.—

16                  (1) STUDY REQUIRED.—Not later than 3 years  
17                  after the date of enactment of this Act, in accord-  
18                  ance with this section, the Secretary of Agriculture  
19                  shall conduct a study that—

20                  (A) addresses the feasibility of, and alter-  
21                  natives for, connecting the northern and south-  
22                  ern portions of the Los Padres National Forest  
23                  by establishing a trail across the applicable por-  
24                  tions of the northern and southern Santa Lucia



1 Mountains of the southern California Coastal  
2 Range; and

3 (B) considers realignment of the trail or  
4 construction of new trail segments to avoid ex-  
5 isting trail segments that currently allow motor-  
6 ized vehicles.

7 (2) CONTENTS.—In carrying out the study re-  
8 quired by paragraph (1), the Secretary of Agri-  
9 culture shall—

10 (A) conform to the requirements for na-  
11 tional scenic trail studies described in section  
12 5(b) of the National Trails System Act (16  
13 U.S.C. 1244(b));

14 (B) provide for a continual hiking route  
15 through and connecting the southern and  
16 northern sections of the Los Padres National  
17 Forest;

18 (C) promote recreational, scenic, wilder-  
19 ness and cultural values;

20 (D) enhance connectivity with the overall  
21 National Forest trail system;

22 (E) consider new connectors and realign-  
23 ment of existing trails;

1 (F) emphasize safe and continuous public  
2 access, dispersal from high-use areas, and suit-  
3 able water sources; and

4 (G) to the extent practicable, provide all-  
5 year use.

6 (3) ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENT.—In com-  
7 pleting the study required by paragraph (1), the  
8 Secretary of Agriculture shall consult with—

9 (A) appropriate Federal, State, Tribal, re-  
10 gional, and local agencies;

11 (B) private landowners;

12 (C) nongovernmental organizations; and

13 (D) members of the public.

14 (4) SUBMISSION.—The Secretary of Agriculture  
15 shall submit the study required by paragraph (1)  
16 to—

17 (A) the Committee on Natural Resources  
18 of the House of Representatives; and

19 (B) the Committee on Energy and Natural  
20 Resources of the Senate.

21 (5) ADDITIONS AND ALTERATIONS TO THE  
22 CONDOR NATIONAL SCENIC TRAIL.—

23 (A) IN GENERAL.—Upon completion of the  
24 study required by paragraph (1), if the Sec-  
25 retary of Agriculture determines that additional

1 or alternative trail segments are feasible for in-  
2 clusion in the Condor National Scenic Trail, the  
3 Secretary of Agriculture shall include those seg-  
4 ments in the Condor National Scenic Trail.

5 (B) EFFECTIVE DATE.—Additions or alter-  
6 nations to the Condor National Scenic Trail  
7 shall be effective on the date the Secretary of  
8 Agriculture publishes in the Federal Register  
9 notice that the additional or alternative seg-  
10 ments are included in the Condor National Sce-  
11 nic Trail.

12 (e) COOPERATIVE AGREEMENTS.—In carrying out  
13 this section (including the amendments made by this sec-  
14 tion), the Secretary of Agriculture may enter into coopera-  
15 tive agreements with State, Tribal, and local government  
16 entities and private entities to complete needed trail con-  
17 struction, reconstruction, and realignment projects au-  
18 thorized by this section (including the amendments made  
19 by this section).

20 **SEC. 10. FOREST SERVICE STUDY.**

21 Not later than 6 years after the date of enactment  
22 of this Act, the Secretary of Agriculture (acting through  
23 the Chief of the Forest Service) shall study the feasibility  
24 of opening a new trail, for vehicles measuring 50 inches  
25 or less, connecting Forest Service Highway 95 to the exist-

1 ing off-highway vehicle trail system in the Ballinger Can-  
2 yon off-highway vehicle area.

3 **SEC. 11. NONMOTORIZED RECREATION OPPORTUNITIES.**

4 Not later than 6 years after the date of enactment  
5 of this Act, the Secretary of Agriculture, in consultation  
6 with interested parties, shall conduct a study to improve  
7 nonmotorized recreation trail opportunities (including  
8 mountain bicycling) on land not designated as wilderness  
9 within the Santa Barbara, Ojai, and Mt. Pinos ranger dis-  
10 tricts.

11 **SEC. 12. USE BY MEMBERS OF TRIBES.**

12 (a) ACCESS.—The Secretary shall ensure that Tribes  
13 have access, in accordance with the Wilderness Act (16  
14 U.S.C. 1131 et seq.), to the wilderness areas, scenic areas,  
15 and potential wilderness areas designated by this Act for  
16 traditional cultural and religious purposes.

17 (b) TEMPORARY CLOSURES.—

18 (1) IN GENERAL.—In carrying out this section,  
19 the Secretary, on request of a Tribe, may tempo-  
20 rarily close to the general public one or more specific  
21 portions of a wilderness area, scenic area, or poten-  
22 tial wilderness area designated by this Act to protect  
23 the privacy of the members of the Tribe in the con-  
24 duct of traditional cultural and religious activities.

1           (2) REQUIREMENT.—Any closure under para-  
2 graph (1) shall be—

3           (A) made in such a manner as to affect  
4 the smallest practicable area for the minimum  
5 period of time necessary for the activity to be  
6 carried out; and

7           (B) be consistent with the purpose and in-  
8 tent of Public Law 95–341 (commonly known  
9 as the American Indian Religious Freedom Act)  
10 (42 U.S.C. 1996) and the Wilderness Act (16  
11 U.S.C. 1131 et seq.).

○