

115TH CONGRESS
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H. R. 5525

To direct the Secretary of Agriculture to transfer certain National Forest System land in the State of Texas.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

APRIL 16, 2018

Mr. RATCLIFFE introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Agriculture

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 “Lake Fannin Convey-
5 ance Act”.

6 **SEC. 2. DEFINITIONS.**

7 In this Act:

8 (1) COUNTY.—The term “County” means the
9 County of Fannin, Texas.

1 (2) MAP.—The term “map” means the map en-
2 titled “Lake Fannin Conveyance” and dated Novem-
3 ber 21, 2013.

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

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

8 (a) IN GENERAL.—Subject to the provisions of this
9 Act, if the County submits a written request for convey-
10 ance not later than 180 days after the date of enactment
11 of this Act, the Secretary shall convey to the County all
12 right, title, and interest of the United States in and to
13 approximately 2,025 acres of National Forest System
14 land, as generally depicted on the map.

15 (b) MAP.—

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

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

21 (c) TERMS AND CONDITIONS.—The conveyance
22 under subsection (a) shall be—

23 (1) subject to valid existing rights;

24 (2) made without consideration;

25 (3) made by quitclaim deed; and

1 (4) subject to any other terms and conditions
2 as the Secretary considers appropriate to protect the
3 interests of the United States.

4 (d) COSTS.—As a condition for the conveyance under
5 subsection (a), the County shall pay for all costs associ-
6 ated with the conveyance, including—

7 (1) the survey to Federal standards required by
8 subsection (e); and

9 (2) any environmental analysis and resource
10 surveys determined necessary by Federal law.

11 (e) SURVEY.—

12 (1) IN GENERAL.—The actual acreage and legal
13 description of the National Forest System land to be
14 conveyed under subsection (a) shall be determined
15 by a survey satisfactory to the Secretary.

16 (2) CASASTRAL SURVEYS.—The Secretary may
17 perform and approve any cadastral surveys required
18 to be conducted for purposes of the conveyance re-
19 ferred to in paragraph (1).

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