

112TH CONGRESS
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H. R. 760

To authorize the Secretary of Agriculture to designate certain parts of California's San Joaquin Valley as a rural area for purposes of programs under the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

FEBRUARY 17, 2011

Mr. NUNES 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 "San Joaquin Valley
5 USDA Rural Definition Inclusion Act".

1 **SEC. 2. AUTHORITY OF THE SECRETARY OF AGRICULTURE**
2 **TO DESIGNATE CERTAIN PARTS OF CALIFOR-**
3 **NIA'S SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY AS A RURAL**
4 **AREA FOR PURPOSES OF PROGRAMS UNDER**
5 **THE CONSOLIDATED FARM AND RURAL DE-**
6 **VELOPMENT ACT.**

7 Section 343(a)(13) of the Consilidated Farm and
8 Rural Development Act (7 U.S.C 1991(a)(13)) is amended
9 by adding at the end the following:

10 “(H) SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY.—Notwith-
11 standing any other provision of this paragraph,
12 within the areas of the California counties of
13 Fresno, Kern, Kings, Madera, Merced, San
14 Joaquin, Stanislaus, and Tulare, the Secretary
15 may designate any part of the areas as a rural
16 area if the Secretary determines that the part
17 is not urban in character, other than any area
18 included within the municipal boundaries of the
19 city of Bakersfield, Fresno, Modesto, Stockton,
20 or Visalia.”.

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