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H. R. 8973

To require the Secretary of the Interior to convey certain interests in land in the State of Alaska, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

DECEMBER 15, 2020

Mr. YOUNG introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Natural Resources

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. CANYON VILLAGE.**

4 (a) CONVEYANCE.—Notwithstanding section
5 2653.3(c) of title 43, Code of Federal Regulations (or suc-
6 cessor regulations), or the withdrawal made by section
7 303(2)(A) of the Alaska National Interest Lands Con-
8 servation Act (Public Law 96–487; 94 Stat. 2390), the
9 Secretary of the Interior (referred to in this section as
10 the “Secretary”) shall convey to Kian Tr’ee Corporation,

1 for the Native Village of Canyon Village, the surface estate
2 in the land selected by the Kian Tr'ee Corporation pursu-
3 ant to section 14(h)(2) of the Alaska Native Claims Settle-
4 ment Act (43 U.S.C. 1613(h)(2)).

5 (b) LIMITATION.—The conveyance under subsection
6 (a) shall not exceed 6,400 acres.

7 (c) SUBSURFACE ESTATE.—

8 (1) IN GENERAL.—Unless Doyon, Limited,
9 elects to receive conveyance under paragraph (2),
10 the Secretary shall convey to Doyon, Limited, the
11 subsurface estate in the land conveyed under sub-
12 section (a).

13 (2) ALTERNATE SELECTION.—At the option of
14 Doyon, Limited, in lieu of accepting the conveyance
15 under paragraph (1)—

16 (A) Doyon, Limited, may receive a convey-
17 ance from existing selections on land withdrawn
18 pursuant to section 11(a)(3) of the Alaska Na-
19 tive Claims Settlement Act (43 U.S.C.
20 1610(a)(3)) that is equal in acreage to the sub-
21 surface that would otherwise be conveyed under
22 paragraph (1);

23 (B) Doyon, Limited, shall notify the Sec-
24 retary (acting through the Alaska State Office
25 of the Bureau of Land Management) of the

1 preference of Doyon, Limited, not later than 90
2 days after the date of enactment of this Act;
3 and

4 (C) the Secretary shall convey to Doyon,
5 Limited, the subsurface estate selected under
6 subparagraph (A).

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