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S. 2479

To provide for a land conveyance in the State of Nevada.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

JUNE 17, 2014

Mr. REID introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to
the Committee on Indian Affairs

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 “Moapa Band of Pai-
5 utes Land Conveyance Act”.

6 **SEC. 2. DEFINITIONS.**

7 In this Act:

8 (1) MAP.—The term “map” means the map en-
9 titled “Moapa River Reservation Expansion”, dated
10 June 16, 2014, and on file and available for public
11 inspection in the appropriate offices of the Bureau
12 of Land Management.

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

3 (3) TRIBE.—The term “Tribe” means the
4 Moapa Band of Paiutes.

5 **SEC. 3. TRANSFER OF LAND TO BE HELD IN TRUST FOR**
6 **THE MOAPA BAND OF PAIUTES.**

7 (a) IN GENERAL.—Subject to valid existing rights,
8 all right, title, and interest of the United States in and
9 to the land described in subsection (b) shall be—

10 (1) held in trust by the United States for the
11 benefit of the Tribe; and

12 (2) part of the reservation of the Tribe.

13 (b) DESCRIPTION OF LAND.—The land referred to in
14 subsection (a) is the approximately 26,565 acres of land
15 administered by the Bureau of Land Management and the
16 Bureau of Reclamation as generally depicted on the map
17 as “Expansion Area”.

18 (c) SURVEY.—Not later than 180 days after the date
19 of enactment of this Act, the Secretary shall complete a
20 survey of the boundary lines to establish the boundaries
21 of the land taken into trust under subsection (a).

22 (d) USE OF TRUST LAND.—

23 (1) GAMING.—Land taken into trust under sub-
24 section (a) shall not be eligible, or considered to
25 have been taken into trust, for class II gaming or

1 class III gaming (as defined in section 4 of the In-
2 dian Gaming Regulatory Act (25 U.S.C. 2703)).

3 (2) GENERAL USES.—

4 (A) IN GENERAL.—The Tribe shall use the
5 land taken into trust under subsection (a) only
6 for—

7 (i) traditional and customary uses;

8 (ii) stewardship conservation for the
9 benefit of the Tribe;

10 (iii) residential or recreational devel-
11 opment; or

12 (iv) renewable energy development.

13 (B) OTHER USES.—

14 (i) IN GENERAL.—If the Tribe uses
15 any portion of the land taken into trust
16 under subsection (a) for a purpose other
17 than a purpose described in subparagraph
18 (A), the Tribe shall pay to the Secretary
19 an amount that is equal to the fair market
20 value of the portion of the land, as deter-
21 mined by an appraisal in accordance with
22 clause (ii).

23 (ii) APPRAISAL.—The Secretary shall
24 determine the fair market value of the land

1 under clause (i) based on an appraisal that
2 is performed in accordance with—

3 (I) the Uniform Appraisal Stand-
4 ards for Federal Land Acquisitions;

5 (II) the Uniform Standards of
6 Professional Appraisal Practices; and

7 (III) any other applicable law (in-
8 cluding regulations).

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