

## SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. SJ0010

Multiple use of public lands.

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## A JOINT RESOLUTION

for

1 A JOINT RESOLUTION requesting Congress to take action  
2 relating to management of state and federal lands to promote  
3 multiple uses of public lands and state involvement in federal  
4 resource management.

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6 WHEREAS, state and federal lands comprise a significant  
7 portion of the state of Wyoming; and

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9 WHEREAS, the administration and management of federal lands  
10 within the state of Wyoming affects the lives and livelihoods  
11 of most residents of the state; and

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13 WHEREAS, Wyoming's abundant natural resources are vital in  
14 supporting the state and local economy; and

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1 WHEREAS, responsible mining, oil and gas development on  
2 public lands would help sustain the state and local economy;  
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5 WHEREAS, forests in Wyoming have suffered from decay and  
6 insect infestations, leaving those lands prone to forest  
7 fires that have had devastating effects on forest land,  
8 natural resources, surrounding ecosystems, air quality and  
9 water quality in Wyoming; and

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11 WHEREAS, increasing industry use of forests in Wyoming would  
12 maintain and improve forest health and reduce the risk of  
13 widespread forest fires; and

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15 WHEREAS, multiple-use management is designed to produce and  
16 provide the watersheds, food, fiber and minerals necessary to  
17 meet future economic growth needs, community expansion and  
18 meet the recreational needs without permanent impairment of  
19 the productivity of the land; and

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21 WHEREAS, the citizens of the state are best served by the  
22 application of multiple-use principles when local, state and

1 federal agencies make decisions concerning the management and  
2 use of federal and state lands.

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4 *NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MEMBERS OF THE*  
5 *LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WYOMING:*

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7 **Section 1.**

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9 (a) That the United States Congress pass legislation  
10 that promotes maximum recognition of state and local interest  
11 in the federal land use management process and that supports  
12 multiple use of federal lands, taking into account the long-  
13 term needs for renewable and nonrenewable resources and the  
14 need for coordinated management when developing resources  
15 without permanently impairing the productivity of the land or  
16 the quality of the environment.

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18 (b) That federal agencies involved in the management of  
19 federal lands should cooperate fully with state and local  
20 governments to develop, implement and update management plans  
21 to facilitate land and natural resource use allocation  
22 supporting multiple use of federal lands, taking into account  
23 the long-term needs for renewable and nonrenewable resources

1 and the need for coordinated management when developing  
2 resources without permanently impairing the productivity of  
3 the land or the quality of the environment.

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5 (c) That state agencies, under the direction of the  
6 governor, should vigorously and substantively participate in  
7 the development, implementation and update of plans,  
8 policies, programs and processes that support maximum  
9 recognition of state and local interest in the federal land  
10 use management process and that support multiple use of  
11 federal land in Wyoming.

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13 (d) That state agencies, under the direction of the  
14 governor, should take into consideration and provide  
15 appropriate comments to federal agencies regarding plans,  
16 policies, programs and processes that support maximum  
17 recognition of state and local interest in the federal land  
18 use management process and that support multiple use of  
19 federal land in Wyoming.

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21 **Section 2.** That the Secretary of State of Wyoming  
22 transmit copies of this resolution to the President of the  
23 United States, to the President of the Senate and the Speaker

1 of the House of Representatives of the United States Congress,  
2 the Secretary of the Interior of the United States, the  
3 Secretary of Agriculture of the United States, the Wyoming  
4 Congressional Delegation and the Governor of the State of  
5 Wyoming.

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