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# H. R. 6270

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Mrs. BONO introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Resources

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## 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 “California Desert and  
5       Mountain Heritage Act”.

1 **TITLE I—DESIGNATION AND EX-**  
2 **PANSION OF WILDERNESS**  
3 **AREAS**

4 **SEC. 101. DEFINITION OF SECRETARY.**

5 In this title, the term “Secretary” means—

6 (1) with respect to land under the jurisdiction  
7 of the Secretary of Agriculture, the Secretary of Ag-  
8 riculture; and

9 (2) with respect to land under the jurisdiction  
10 of the Secretary of the Interior, the Secretary of the  
11 Interior.

12 **SEC. 102. DESIGNATION OF WILDERNESS, CLEVELAND AND**  
13 **SAN BERNARDINO NATIONAL FORESTS, JOSH-**  
14 **UA TREE NATIONAL PARK, AND BUREAU OF**  
15 **LAND MANAGEMENT LAND IN RIVERSIDE**  
16 **COUNTY, CALIFORNIA.**

17 (a) AGUA TIBIA WILDERNESS ADDITION.—In ac-  
18 cordance with the Wilderness Act (16 U.S.C. 1131 et  
19 seq.), certain land in the Cleveland National Forest and  
20 certain land administered by the Bureau of Land Manage-  
21 ment in Riverside County, California, together comprising  
22 approximately 1,950 acres, as generally depicted on the  
23 map entitled “Agua Tibia Proposed Wilderness, Bureau  
24 of Land Management and Cleveland National Forest” and  
25 dated \_\_\_\_\_, is designated as wilderness and is in-

1 incorporated in, and shall be deemed to be a part of, the  
2 Agua Tibia Wilderness designated by section 2(a) of Pub-  
3 lic Law 93–632 (88 Stat. 2154; 16 U.S.C. 1132 note).

4 (b) CAHUILLA MOUNTAIN WILDERNESS.—In accord-  
5 ance with the Wilderness Act (16 U.S.C. 1131 et seq.),  
6 certain land in the San Bernardino National Forest, Cali-  
7 fornia, comprising approximately 7,131 acres, as generally  
8 depicted on the map entitled “Cahuilla Mountain Pro-  
9 posed Wilderness, San Bernardino National Forest” and  
10 dated \_\_\_\_\_, is designated as wilderness and, there-  
11 fore, as a component of the National Wilderness Preserva-  
12 tion System, which shall be known as the “Cahuilla Moun-  
13 tain Wilderness”.

14 (c) SOUTH FORK SAN JACINTO WILDERNESS.—In  
15 accordance with the Wilderness Act (16 U.S.C. 1131 et  
16 seq.), certain land in the San Bernardino National Forest,  
17 California, comprising approximately 21,760 acres, as  
18 generally depicted on the map entitled “South Fork San  
19 Jacinto Proposed Wilderness, San Bernardino National  
20 Forest” and dated \_\_\_\_\_, is designated as wilder-  
21 ness and, therefore, as a component of the National Wil-  
22 derness Preservation System, which shall be known as the  
23 “South Fork San Jacinto Wilderness”.

24 (d) SANTA ROSA WILDERNESS ADDITION.—In ac-  
25 cordance with the Wilderness Act (16 U.S.C. 1131 et

1 seq.), certain land in the San Bernardino National Forest,  
2 California, comprising approximately 14 acres, as gen-  
3 erally depicted on the map entitled “Santa Rosa Proposed  
4 Wilderness Addition, San Bernardino National Forest”  
5 and dated \_\_\_\_\_, is designated as wilderness and  
6 is incorporated in, and shall be deemed to be a part of,  
7 the Santa Rosa Wilderness designated by section  
8 101(a)(28) of Public Law 98–425 (98 Stat. 1623; 16  
9 U.S.C. 1132 note).

10 (e) BEAUTY MOUNTAIN WILDERNESS.—In accord-  
11 ance with the Wilderness Act (16 U.S.C. 1131 et seq.),  
12 certain land administered by the Bureau of Land Manage-  
13 ment in Riverside County, California, comprising approxi-  
14 mately 16,700 acres, as generally depicted on the map en-  
15 titled “Beauty Mountain Proposed Wilderness” and dated  
16 \_\_\_\_\_, is designated as wilderness and, therefore,  
17 as a component of the National Wilderness Preservation  
18 System, which shall be known as the “Beauty Mountain  
19 Wilderness”.

20 (f) JOSHUA TREE NATIONAL PARK WILDERNESS  
21 ADDITION.—In accordance with the Wilderness Act (16  
22 U.S.C. 1131 et seq.), certain land in Joshua Tree National  
23 Park, comprising approximately 37,050 acres, as generally  
24 depicted on the map entitled “Joshua Tree National Park  
25 Proposed Wilderness Additions” and dated \_\_\_\_\_,

1 is designated as wilderness and is incorporated in, and  
2 shall be deemed to be a part of, the Joshua Tree Wilder-  
3 ness designated by section 1(g) of Public Law 94–567 (90  
4 Stat. 2692; 16 U.S.C. 1132 note).

5 (g) MAPS AND DESCRIPTIONS.—

6 (1) IN GENERAL.—As soon as practicable after  
7 the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary  
8 shall file a map and legal description of each wilder-  
9 ness area and wilderness addition designated by this  
10 section with the Committee on Resources of the  
11 House of Representatives and the Committee on En-  
12 ergy and Natural Resources of the Senate.

13 (2) FORCE OF LAW.—A map and legal descrip-  
14 tion filed under paragraph (1) shall have the same  
15 force and effect as if included in this Act, except  
16 that the Secretary may correct errors in the map  
17 and legal description.

18 (3) PUBLIC AVAILABILITY.—Each map and  
19 legal description filed under paragraph (1) shall be  
20 filed and made available for public inspection in the  
21 appropriate office of the Secretary.

22 **SEC. 103. JOSHUA TREE NATIONAL PARK POTENTIAL WIL-**  
23 **DERNESS.**

24 (a) DESIGNATION OF POTENTIAL WILDERNESS.—  
25 Certain land in the Joshua Tree National Park, com-

1 prising approximately 41,100 acres, as generally depicted  
2 on the map entitled “Joshua Tree National Park Potential  
3 Wilderness Addition” and dated \_\_\_\_\_, is des-  
4 ignated potential wilderness and shall be managed by the  
5 Secretary of the Interior insofar as practicable as wilder-  
6 ness until such time as the land is designated as wilder-  
7 ness pursuant to subsection (b).

8 (b) DESIGNATION AS WILDERNESS.—The land des-  
9 ignated potential wilderness by subsection (a) shall be des-  
10 ignated as wilderness and incorporated in, and be deemed  
11 to be a part of, the Joshua Tree Wilderness designated  
12 by section 1(g) of Public Law 94–567 (90 Stat. 2692; 16  
13 U.S.C. 1132 note), effective upon publication by the Sec-  
14 retary of the Interior in the Federal Register of a notice  
15 that—

16 (1) all uses of the land within the potential wil-  
17 derness prohibited by the Wilderness Act (16 U.S.C.  
18 1131 et seq.) have ceased; or

19 (2) sufficient inholdings within the boundaries  
20 of the potential wilderness have been acquired to es-  
21 tablish a manageable wilderness unit.

22 (c) MAP AND DESCRIPTION.—

23 (1) IN GENERAL.—As soon as practicable after  
24 the date on which the notice required by subsection  
25 (b) is published in the Federal Register, the Sec-

1       retary shall file a map and legal description of the  
2       land designated as wilderness and potential wilder-  
3       ness by this section with the Committee on Re-  
4       sources of the House of Representatives and the  
5       Committee on Energy and Natural Resources of the  
6       Senate.

7               (2) **FORCE OF LAW.**—The map and legal de-  
8       scription filed under paragraph (1) shall have the  
9       same force and effect as if included in this Act, ex-  
10      cept that the Secretary may correct errors in the  
11      map and legal description.

12              (3) **PUBLIC AVAILABILITY.**—Each map and  
13      legal description filed under paragraph (1) shall be  
14      filed and made available for public inspection in the  
15      appropriate office of the Secretary.

16 **SEC. 104. ADMINISTRATION OF WILDERNESS.**

17       (a) **MANAGEMENT.**—Subject to valid existing rights,  
18      the land designated as wilderness or as a wilderness addi-  
19      tion by this title shall be administered by the Secretary  
20      in accordance with the Wilderness Act (16 U.S.C. 1131  
21      et seq.), except that—

22              (1) any reference in that Act to the effective  
23      date of that Act shall be deemed to be a reference  
24      to—

1 (A) the date of the enactment of this Act;

2 or

3 (B) in the case of the wilderness addition

4 designated by subsection (b) of section 103, the

5 date on which the notice required by such sub-

6 section is published in the Federal Register;

7 and

8 (2) any reference in that Act to the Secretary

9 of Agriculture shall be deemed to be a reference to

10 the Secretary that has jurisdiction over the land.

11 (b) INCORPORATION OF ACQUIRED LAND AND IN-

12 TERESTS.—Any land within the boundaries of a wilderness

13 area or wilderness addition designated by this title that

14 is acquired by the United States shall—

15 (1) become part of the wilderness area in which

16 the land is located; and

17 (2) be managed in accordance with this title,

18 the Wilderness Act (16 U.S.C. 1131 et seq.), and

19 any other applicable law.

20 (c) WITHDRAWAL.—Subject to valid rights in exist-

21 ence on the date of enactment of this Act, the land des-

22 igned as wilderness by this title is withdrawn from all

23 forms of—

24 (1) entry, appropriation, or disposal under the

25 public land laws;

1           (2) location, entry, and patent under the mining  
2       laws; and

3           (3) disposition under all laws pertaining to min-  
4       eral and geothermal leasing or mineral materials.

5       (d) FIRE, INSECT, AND DISEASE MANAGEMENT AC-  
6       TIVITIES.—The Secretary may take such measures in a  
7       wilderness area or wilderness addition designated by this  
8       title as are necessary for the control and prevention of  
9       fire, insects, and diseases, in accordance with section  
10      4(d)(1) of the Wilderness Act (16 U.S.C. 1133(d)(1)) and  
11      House Report No. 98–40 of the 98th Congress.

12           **TITLE II—WILD AND SCENIC**  
13           **RIVER DESIGNATIONS**

14      **SEC. 201. WILD AND SCENIC RIVER DESIGNATIONS, RIVER-**  
15           **SIDE COUNTY, CALIFORNIA.**

16      (a) Section 3(a) of the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act  
17      (16 U.S.C. 1274(a)) is amended by adding at the end the  
18      following new paragraphs:

19           “( ) NORTH FORK SAN JACINTO RIVER, CALI-  
20      FORNIA.—The following segments of the North Fork San  
21      Jacinto River in the State of California, to be adminis-  
22      tered by the Secretary of Agriculture:

23           “(A) The 2.12-mile segment from the source of  
24      the North Fork San Jacinto River at Deer Springs

1 in Mt. San Jacinto State Park to the State Park  
2 boundary, as a wild river.

3 “(B) The 1.66-mile segment from the Mt. San  
4 Jacinto State Park boundary to the Lawler Park  
5 boundary in section 26, township 4 south, range 2  
6 east, San Bernardino meridian, as a scenic river.

7 “(C) The 0.68-mile segment from the Lawler  
8 Park boundary to its confluence with Fuller Mill  
9 Creek, as a recreational river.

10 “(D) The 2.15-mile segment from its confluence  
11 with Fuller Mill Creek to .25 miles upstream of the  
12 5S09 road crossing, as a wild river.

13 “(E) The 0.6-mile segment from .25 miles up-  
14 stream of the 5S09 Road crossing to its confluence  
15 with Stone Creek, as a scenic river.

16 “(F) The 2.91-mile segment from the Stone  
17 Creek confluence to the northern boundary of sec-  
18 tion 17, township 5 south, range 2 east, San  
19 Bernardino meridian, as a wild river.

20 “( ) FULLER MILL CREEK, CALIFORNIA.—The fol-  
21 lowing segments of Fuller Mill Creek in the State of Cali-  
22 fornia, to be administered by the Secretary of Agriculture:

23 “(A) The 1.2-mile segment from the source of  
24 Fuller Mill Creek in the San Jacinto Wilderness to  
25 the Pinewood property boundary in section 13, town-

1 ship 4 south, range 2 east, San Bernardino merid-  
2 ian, as a scenic river.

3 “(B) The 0.9-mile segment in the Pine Wood  
4 property, as a recreational river.

5 “(C) The 1.4-mile segment from the Pinewood  
6 property boundary in section 23, township 4 south,  
7 range 2 east, San Bernardino meridian, to its con-  
8 fluence with the North Fork San Jacinto River, as  
9 a scenic river.

10 “( ) PALM CANYON CREEK, CALIFORNIA.—The  
11 8.1-mile segment of Palm Canyon Creek in the State of  
12 California from the southern boundary of section 6, town-  
13 ship 7 south, range 5 east, San Bernardino meridian, to  
14 the San Bernardino National Forest boundary in section  
15 1, township 6 south, range 4 east, San Bernardino merid-  
16 ian, to be administered by the Secretary of Agriculture  
17 as a wild river.

18 “( ) BAUTISTA CREEK, CALIFORNIA.—The 9.8-mile  
19 segment of Bautista Creek in the State of California from  
20 the San Bernardino National Forest boundary in section  
21 36, township 6 south, range 2 east, San Bernardino me-  
22 ridian, to the San Bernardino National Forest boundary  
23 in section 2, township 6 south, range 1 east, San  
24 Bernardino meridian, to be administered by the Secretary  
25 of Agriculture as a recreational river.”.

1                   **TITLE III—BOUNDARY**  
2                   **ADJUSTMENT**

3   **SEC. 106. BOUNDARY ADJUSTMENT, SANTA ROSA AND SAN**  
4                   **JACINTO MOUNTAINS NATIONAL MONUMENT.**

5           Section 2 of the Santa Rosa and San Jacinto Moun-  
6   tains National Monument Act of 2000 (Public Law 106–  
7   351; 114 U.S.C. 1362; 16 U.S.C. 431 note) is amended  
8   by adding at the end the following new subsection:

9           “(e) **EXPANSION OF BOUNDARIES.**—In addition to  
10   the land described in subsection (c), the lands identified  
11   as additions to the National Monument on the maps enti-  
12   tled ‘Santa Rosa and San Jacinto Mountains Addition,  
13   Santa Rosa Peak Area,’ and ‘Santa Rosa and San Jacinto  
14   Mountains Addition, Snow Creek Area’ and dated  
15   \_\_\_\_\_, are included within the boundaries of the  
16   National Monument.”.

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