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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,*

1 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

2 This Act may be cited as the “Lower Salmon River
3 Recreational and Scenic Rivers Act of 1994”.

4 **SEC. 2. RECREATIONAL AND SCENIC RIVER DESIGNATIONS.**

5 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 3(a) of the Wild and Sce-
6 nic Rivers Act (16 U.S.C. 1274(a)) is amended by adding
7 at the end the following new paragraph:

8 “() LOWER SALMON RIVER, IDAHO.—(A)(i) The
9 23.7 mile segment from Long Tom Bar in the southeast
10 quarter of section 31, township 25 north, range 5 east
11 to the line between range 1 east and range 2 east, to be
12 administered by the Secretaries of Agriculture and the In-
13 terior as a recreational river.

14 “(ii) The 35.3 mile segment from the line between
15 range 1 east and range 2 east to the mouth of Hammer
16 Creek in the southwest quarter of section 15, township
17 28 north, range 1 east, to be administered by the Sec-
18 retary of the Interior as a recreational river.

19 “(iii) The 53 mile segment from Hammer Creek to
20 the confluence of the Snake River, to be administered by
21 the Secretary of the Interior as a scenic river.

22 “(B) Notwithstanding subsection (b), the boundaries
23 of the public lands of the segments described in subpara-
24 graph (A) shall be the boundaries of the public lands with-
25 drawn by the Secretary of the Interior through Public
26 Land Order 6629, effective November 13, 1986, and Pub-

1 lic Land Order 6670, effective April 1, 1988, and for those
2 lands not included in Public Land Orders 6629 and 6670,
3 the boundaries shall be the legal subdivision line nearest
4 one-quarter mile from the mean high water line of the
5 river.”.

6 (b) LIMITATION.—Nothing in this Act, or in the
7 amendment to the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act made by
8 this Act, shall be construed as authorizing any acquisition
9 of any scenic easement that without the consent of the
10 landowner would affect any regular use of relevant lands
11 that was exercised prior to the acquisition of such ease-
12 ment. Nothing in this Act, or in the amendments to the
13 Wild and Scenic Rivers Act made by this Act, shall affect
14 any existing use of the Lower Salmon River, provided that
15 such use occurs at levels consistent with the resource man-
16 agement plan.

17 **SEC. 3. PERMANENT WITHDRAWAL.**

18 The withdrawals made by the Secretary of the Inte-
19 rior through Public Land Order 6629, effective November
20 13, 1986, and Public Land Order 6670, effective April
21 1, 1988, are made permanent.

22 **SEC. 4. STUDY OF ROCK CREEK.**

23 *Section 5(a) of the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act (16*
24 *U.S.C. 1271 and following) is amended by adding the fol-*
25 *lowing at the end thereof:*

1 “() *ROCK CREEK, MONTANA.—The segment down-*
2 *stream from its headwaters to its confluence with the Clark*
3 *Fork, including its tributaries.*”.