

Union Calendar No. 450

113TH CONGRESS
2^D SESSION

H. R. 4867

[Report No. 113-606]

To provide for certain land to be taken into trust for the benefit of Morongo Band of Mission Indians, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JUNE 12, 2014

Mr. RUIZ (for himself and Mr. COOK) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Natural Resources

SEPTEMBER 19, 2014

Additional sponsors: Mr. CÁRDENAS and Mr. LAMALFA

SEPTEMBER 19, 2014

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[For text of introduced bill, see copy of bill as introduced on June 12, 2014]

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 “Economic Development*
5 *Through Tribal Land Exchange Act”.*

6 **SEC. 2. DEFINITIONS.**

7 *For the purposes of this Act, the following definitions*
8 *apply:*

9 (1) *BANNING.*—*The term “Banning” means the*
10 *City of Banning, which is located in Riverside Coun-*
11 *ty, California adjacent to the Morongo Indian Res-*
12 *ervation.*

13 (2) *FIELDS.*—*The term “Fields” means Lloyd L.*
14 *Fields, the owner of record of Parcel A.*

15 (3) *MAP.*—*The term “map” means the map enti-*
16 *tled ‘Morongo Indian Reservation, County of River-*
17 *side, State of California Land Exchange Map’, and*
18 *dated May 22, 2014, which is on file in the Bureau*
19 *of Land Management State Office in Sacramento,*
20 *California.*

21 (4) *PARCEL A.*—*The term “Parcel A” means the*
22 *approximately 41.15 acres designated on the map as*
23 *“Fields lands”.*

1 (5) *PARCEL B.*—*The term “Parcel B” means the*
2 *approximately 41.15 acres designated on the map as*
3 *“Morongo lands”.*

4 (6) *PARCEL C.*—*The term “Parcel C” means the*
5 *approximately 1.21 acres designated on the map as*
6 *“Banning land”.*

7 (7) *PARCEL D.*—*The term “Parcel D” means the*
8 *approximately 1.76 acres designated on the map as*
9 *“Easement to Banning”.*

10 (8) *SECRETARY.*—*The term “Secretary” means*
11 *the Secretary of the Interior.*

12 (9) *TRIBE.*—*The term “Tribe” means the*
13 *Morongo Band of Mission Indians, a federally recog-*
14 *nized Indian tribe.*

15 **SEC. 3. TRANSFER OF LANDS; TRUST LANDS, EASEMENT.**

16 (a) *TRANSFER OF PARCEL A AND PARCEL B AND*
17 *EASEMENT OVER PARCEL D.*—*Subject to any valid exist-*
18 *ing rights of any third parties and to legal review and ap-*
19 *proval of the form and content of any and all instruments*
20 *of conveyance and policies of title insurance, upon receipt*
21 *by the Secretary of confirmation that Fields has duly exe-*
22 *cuted and deposited with a mutually acceptable and jointly*
23 *instructed escrow holder in California a deed conveying*
24 *clear and unencumbered title to Parcel A to the United*
25 *States in trust for the exclusive use and benefit of the Tribe,*

1 *and upon receipt by Fields of confirmation that the Sec-*
2 *retary has duly executed and deposited into escrow with the*
3 *same mutually acceptable and jointly instructed escrow*
4 *holder a patent conveying clear and unencumbered title in*
5 *fee simple to Parcel B to Fields and has duly executed and*
6 *deposited into escrow with the same mutually acceptable*
7 *and jointly instructed escrow holder an easement to the City*
8 *for a public right-of-way over Parcel D, the Secretary shall*
9 *instruct the escrow holder to simultaneously cause—*

10 (1) *the patent to Parcel B to be recorded and*
11 *issued to Fields;*

12 (2) *the easement over Parcel D to be recorded*
13 *and issued to the City; and*

14 (3) *the deed to Parcel A to be delivered to the*
15 *Secretary, who shall immediately cause said deed to*
16 *be recorded and held in trust for the Tribe.*

17 (b) *TRANSFER OF PARCEL C.—After the simultaneous*
18 *transfer of parcels A, B, and D under subsection (a), upon*
19 *receipt by the Secretary of confirmation that the City has*
20 *vacated its interest in Parcel C pursuant to all applicable*
21 *State and local laws, the Secretary shall immediately cause*
22 *Parcel C to be held in trust for the Tribe subject to—*

23 (1) *any valid existing rights of any third par-*
24 *ties; and*

- 1 (2) *legal review and approval of the form and*
- 2 *content of any and all instruments of conveyance.*

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