

104TH CONGRESS
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H. R. 3412

To require the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a study of the feasibility of establishing Calumet Ecological Park in the vicinity of Chicago, Illinois.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MAY 8, 1996

Mr. WELLER introduced the following bill; which was referred to the
Committee on Resources

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 “Calumet Ecological
5 Park Act of 1996”.

6 **SEC. 2. FEASIBILITY STUDY.**

7 (a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 6 months after the
8 date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary of the Interior
9 shall conduct a study of the feasibility of establishing an
10 urban ecological park to be known as “Calumet Ecological

1 Park”, in the Lake Calumet area situated between the Illi-
2 nois and Michigan Canal National Heritage Corridor and
3 the Indiana Dunes National Lakeshore.

4 (b) PARTICULARS OF STUDY.—The study under sub-
5 section (a) shall include consideration of the following:

6 (1) The suitability of establishing a park in the
7 Lake Calumet area that—

8 (A) conserves and protects the wealth of
9 natural resources threatened by development
10 and pollution in the Lake Calumet area; and

11 (B) consists of a number of nonadjacent
12 sites forming green corridors between the Illi-
13 nois and Michigan Canal National Heritage
14 Corridor and the Indiana Dunes National Lake-
15 shore, that are based on the lakes and water-
16 ways in the area.

17 (2) The long term future use of the Lake Cal-
18 umet area.

19 (3) Ways in which a Calumet Ecological Park
20 would—

21 (A) benefit and enhance the cultural, his-
22 torical, and natural resources of the Lake Cal-
23 umet area; and

24 (B) preserve natural lands and habitats in
25 the Lake Calumet area and northwest Indiana.

1 (c) REPORT.—Not later than 1 year after the date
2 of enactment of this Act, the Secretary shall submit to
3 the Congress a report containing findings and rec-
4 ommendations of a study under this section.

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