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H. R. 2416

To provide for the transfer of certain rights and property to the United States Forest Service in exchange for a payment to the occupant of such property, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

SEPTEMBER 5, 1997

Mr. HEFLEY 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. AUTHORITY FOR SETTLEMENT.**

4 (a) SETTLEMENT.—If the Rocky Mountain Con-
5 ference of the United Church of Christ agrees to vacate
6 the approximately 6.3 acre property located in the Dillon
7 Ranger District of the White River National Forest in
8 Summit County, Colorado, as described in subsection (b),

1 and all buildings on such property and to surrender any
2 permit to use such property, buildings, and associated
3 water rights and to transfer to the United States all right,
4 title, and interest of the United Church of Christ to such
5 property, buildings and water rights, the Secretary of Ag-
6 riculture, acting through the Chief of the United States
7 Forest Service, shall pay the Rocky Mountain Conference
8 of the United Church of Christ an amount equal to the
9 sum of—

10 (1) the appraised fair market value of the water
11 rights decreed in Case NO. W-1319 by the District
12 Court, Water Division No. 5, State of Colorado; and

13 (2) the replacement value of the two residential
14 structures constructed by the United Church of
15 Christ on such property.

16 All costs of appraising such water rights and structures
17 shall be borne by the United States. The appraisal of such
18 water rights and of such structures shall be made by an
19 independent appraiser selected by the Chief of the United
20 States Forest Service..

21 (b) DESCRIPTION OF LAND.—The property referred
22 to in subsection (a) is a tract of land being a portion of
23 Government lot 3, Section 31, Township 5 South, Range
24 77 West of the 6th principal meridian, Summit County,
25 Colorado, beginning at a point on the east line of said

1 Government lot 3; whence the northeast corner of said lot
2 bears N 00 degrees 06 minutes 30 seconds E 280.00 feet
3 distant. Said point being a Denver water board brass cap;
4 thence south 00 degrees 06 minutes 30 seconds W a dis-
5 tance of 500.00 feet; thence N 89 degrees 53 minutes 30
6 seconds W a distance of 590.00 feet; thence N 00 degrees
7 06 minutes 30 seconds E a distance of 440.00 feet; thence
8 S 89 degrees 53 minutes 30 seconds E a distance of
9 290.00 feet; thence N 00 degrees 06 minutes 30 seconds
10 E a distance of 60.00 feet; thence S 89 degrees 53 min-
11 utes 30 seconds E a distance of 300.00 feet to the point
12 of beginning. Containing 277,600 sq. ft. or 6.3 acres, to-
13 gether with a 25.00 foot wide easement for an existing
14 well and water line serving the above referenced tract.
15 Said well being located south 56 degrees 15 seconds W
16 126.00 feet distant from the SW corner of said tract.

17 (c) EXCHANGE AUTHORIZATION.—The Secretary is
18 authorized to convey the lands described in subsection (b)
19 to United Church of Christ by exchange.

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