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117TH CONGRESS
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H. R. 2497

[Report No. 117-100]

To establish the Amache National Historic Site in the State of Colorado
as a unit of the National Park System, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

APRIL 14, 2021

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

JULY 22, 2021

Additional sponsors: Mrs. NAPOLITANO, Mr. CASE, Ms. DEGETTE, Mr. CROW,
Mr. PETERS, and Mr. PERLMUTTER

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[For text of introduced bill, see copy of bill as introduced on April 14, 2021]

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 “Amache National His-*
5 *toric Site Act”.*

6 **SEC. 2. DEFINITIONS.**

7 *In this Act:*

8 (1) *MAP.*—*The term “Map” means the map enti-*
9 *tled “Amache National Historical Site Proposed*
10 *Boundary”, numbered 100/175348 and dated July*
11 *2021.*

12 (2) *NATIONAL HISTORIC SITE.*—*The term “Na-*
13 *tional Historic Site” means the Amache National*
14 *Historic Site established by section 3(a).*

15 (3) *SECRETARY.*—*The term “Secretary” means*
16 *the Secretary of the Interior.*

17 **SEC. 3. AMACHE NATIONAL HISTORIC SITE.**

18 (a) *ESTABLISHMENT.*—*Subject to subsection (c), there*
19 *is established the Amache National Historic Site in the*
20 *State of Colorado as a unit of the National Park System.*

21 (b) *PURPOSE.*—*The purpose of the National Historic*
22 *Site is to preserve, protect, and interpret for the benefit of*
23 *present and future generations resources associated with—*

24 (1) *the incarceration of civilians of Japanese an-*
25 *cestry during World War II at Amache, also known*

1 *as the Granada Relocation Center, and the military*
2 *service of center incarcerated;*

3 (2) *public reaction in the State of Colorado to*
4 *the incarceration of Japanese Americans, including*
5 *the position of Governor Ralph Carr and the local*
6 *community; and*

7 (3) *the transition of the incarcerated and their de-*
8 *scendants following the closure of the center and reset-*
9 *tlement in the State of Colorado and other States.*

10 (c) *DETERMINATION BY THE SECRETARY.*—*The Na-*
11 *tional Historic Site shall not be established until the date*
12 *on which the Secretary determines that a sufficient quan-*
13 *tity of land or interests in land has been acquired to con-*
14 *stitute a manageable park unit.*

15 (d) *NOTICE.*—*Not later than 30 days after the Sec-*
16 *retary makes a determination under subsection (c), the Sec-*
17 *retary shall publish in the Federal Register notice of the*
18 *establishment of the National Historic Site.*

19 (e) *BOUNDARY; MAP.*—

20 (1) *BOUNDARY.*—*The boundary of the National*
21 *Historic Site shall be as generally depicted on the*
22 *Map.*

23 (2) *AVAILABILITY OF MAP.*—*The Map shall be on*
24 *file and available for public inspection in the appro-*
25 *priate offices of the National Park Service.*

1 (f) *LAND ACQUISITION AUTHORITY.*—*The Secretary*
2 *may acquire any land or interests in land located within*
3 *the boundary of the Camp Amache National Historic Land-*
4 *mark, as generally depicted on the Map, by—*

5 (1) *donation;*

6 (2) *purchase from a willing seller with donated*
7 *or appropriated Funds; or*

8 (3) *exchange.*

9 (g) *ADDITION TO BOUNDARY.*—*Any lands or interests*
10 *in land acquired under paragraph (1) shall be included*
11 *within the boundary of the National Historic Site.*

12 (h) *ADMINISTRATION.*—

13 (1) *IN GENERAL.*—*The Secretary shall admin-*
14 *ister the National Historic Site in accordance with—*

15 (A) *this Act; and*

16 (B) *the laws generally applicable to units of*
17 *the National Park System.*

18 (2) *MANAGEMENT PLAN.*—

19 (A) *DEADLINE FOR COMPLETION.*—*Not*
20 *later than 3 years after the date on which funds*
21 *are first made available to the Secretary for this*
22 *purpose, the Secretary shall prepare a general*
23 *management plan for the National Historic Site*
24 *in accordance with section 100502 of title 54,*
25 *United States Code.*

1 (B) *SUBMISSION TO CONGRESS.*—*On com-*
2 *pletion of the general management plan under*
3 *subparagraph (A), the Secretary shall submit to*
4 *the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources*
5 *of the Senate and the Committee on Natural Re-*
6 *sources of the House of Representatives the gen-*
7 *eral management plan prepared under that sub-*
8 *paragraph.*

9 (i) *ADMINISTRATIVE FACILITIES.*—*For the purposes of*
10 *ensuring the preservation, protection, and proper manage-*
11 *ment of the site and associated resources, the Secretary may*
12 *establish facilities for administration, visitor services, and*
13 *curation of personal property, outside the boundary of, and*
14 *in the vicinity of, the National Historic Site.*

15 (j) *COOPERATIVE AGREEMENTS.*—*The Secretary may*
16 *enter into agreements with—*

17 (1) *the public or private entities for the purpose*
18 *of establishing and operating facilities outside of the*
19 *boundary of the National Historic Site for adminis-*
20 *tration, visitor services and curation of personal*
21 *property; and*

22 (2) *other public or private entities for the pur-*
23 *poses of carrying out this Act.*

24 (k) *EFFECT ON WATER RIGHTS.*—*Except as provided*
25 *for in subsection (l), nothing in this Act shall affect—*

1 (1) *the use, allocation, ownership, or control, in*
2 *existence on the date of the enactment of any water,*
3 *water right, or any other valid existing right;*

4 (2) *any vested absolute or decreed conditional*
5 *water right in existence on the date of the enactment;*

6 (3) *any interstate water compact in existence on*
7 *the date of the enactment; or*

8 (4) *State jurisdiction over any water law.*

9 (l) *OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE OF WATER INFRA-*
10 *STRUCTURE AND APPURTENANCES.—*

11 (1) *The town of Granada, Colorado, shall main-*
12 *tain responsibility for the operation and maintenance*
13 *of all water infrastructure, systems and appur-*
14 *tenances located within the boundary of the National*
15 *Historic Site in existence on the date of enactment of*
16 *this Act, including but not limited to wells, pumps,*
17 *tanks, water lines, valves, and water treatment facili-*
18 *ties.*

19 (2) *The Secretary shall provide the town of Gra-*
20 *nada, Colorado, with access to those areas of the Na-*
21 *tional Historic Site determined as necessary for the*
22 *operation and maintenance of water infrastructure*
23 *and appurtenances.*

24 (3) *The Secretary may permit the city of Gra-*
25 *nada, Colorado, to construct or install new water in-*

1 *frastructure, systems and appurtenances consistent*
2 *with applicable laws, limited only to those areas de-*
3 *termined in subsection (i)(2), and in a manner that*
4 *ensures the preservation, protection, and proper man-*
5 *agement of the National Historic Site.*

6 *(4) At such time that all water infrastructure,*
7 *systems and appurtenances located within the bound-*
8 *ary of the National Historic Site are no longer uti-*
9 *lized by the city of Granada, Colorado, associated im-*
10 *provements and associated water rights may be ac-*
11 *quired through donation to and made part of the Na-*
12 *tional Historic Site in a condition satisfactory to the*
13 *Secretary.*

Amend the title so as to read: “A bill to establish the Amache National Historic Site in the State of Colorado as a Unit of the National Park System, and for other purposes.”.

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