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California Desert Protection Act of 1994

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, U. S.,
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Resolved, That the bill from the Senate (S. 21) entitled "An Act to designate certain lands in the California Desert as wilderness, to establish Death Valley, Joshua Tree, and Mojave National Parks, and for other purposes," do pass with the following

The California Desert Protection Act of 1994 designated 44,000 acres of new wilderness in the "Nevada Triangle" of Death Valley National Park.

AMENDMENTS:

Strike out all after the enacting clause, and insert: That this Act may be cited as the "California Desert Protection Act of 1994."

FINDINGS AND POLICY

SEC. 2. (a) The Congress finds and declares that--

- (1) the federally owned desert lands of Southern California constitute a public wildland resource of extraordinary and inestimable value for this and future generations;
- (2) these desert wildlands display unique scenic, historical, archeological, environmental, ecological, wildlife, cultural, scientific, educational, and recreational values used and enjoyed by millions of Americans for hiking and camping, scientific study and scenic appreciation;
- (3) the public land resources of the California desert now face and are increasingly threatened by adverse pressures which would impair, dilute, and destroy their public and natural values;
- (4) the California desert, embracing wilderness lands, units of the National Park System, other Federal lands, State parks and other State lands, and private lands, constitutes a cohesive unit posing unique and difficult resource protection and management challenges;
- (5) through designation of national monuments by Presidential proclamation, through enactment of general public land statutes (including section 601 of the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976, 90 Stat. 2743, 43 U.S.C. 1701 et seq.) and through interim administrative actions, the Federal Government has begun the process of appropriately providing for protection of the significant resources of the public lands in the California desert; and
- (6) statutory land unit designations are needed to afford the full protection which the resources and public land values of the California desert merit.

(b) In order to secure for the American people of this and future generations an enduring heritage of wilderness, national parks, and public land values in the California desert, it is hereby declared to be the policy of the Congress that--

- (1) appropriate public lands in the California desert shall be included within the National Park System and the National Wilderness Preservation System, in order to--
- (A) preserve unrivaled scenic, geologic, and wildlife values associated with these unique natural landscapes;
- (B) perpetuate in their natural state significant and diverse ecosystems of the California desert;
- (C) protect and preserve historical and cultural values of the California desert associated with ancient Indian cultures, patterns of western exploration and settlement, and sites exemplifying the mining, ranching and railroading history of the Old West;
- (D) provide opportunities for compatible outdoor public recreation, protect and interpret ecological and geological features and historic, paleontological, and archeological sites, maintain wilderness resource values, and promote public understanding and appreciation of the California desert; and
- (E) retain and enhance opportunities for scientific research in undisturbed ecosystems.

TITLE I--WILDERNESS ADDITIONS

FINDINGS

SEC. 101. The Congress finds and declares that--

- (1) wilderness is a distinguishing characteristic of the public lands in the California desert, one which affords an unrivaled opportunity for experiencing vast areas of the Old West essentially unaltered by man's activities, and which merits preservation for the benefit of present and future generations;
- (2) the wilderness values of desert lands are increasingly threatened by and especially vulnerable to impairment, alteration, and destruction by activities and intrusions associated with incompatible use and development; and
- (3) preservation of desert wilderness necessarily requires the highest forms of protective designation and management.

DESIGNATION OF WILDERNESS

SEC. 102. In furtherance of the purpose of the Wilderness Act (78 Stat. 890, 16 U.S.C. 1131 et seq.), and sections 601 and 603 of the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976 (90 Stat. 2743, 43 U.S.C. 1701 et seq.), the following lands in the State of California, as generally depicted on maps referenced herein, are hereby designated as wilderness, and therefore, as components of the National Wilderness Preservation System:

- (1) Certain lands in the California Desert Conservation Area, of the Bureau of Land Management, which comprise approximately seventy-four thousand eight hundred and ninety acres, as generally depicted on a map entitled "Argus Range Wilderness--Proposed 1", dated May 1991, and two maps entitled "Argus Range Wilderness--Proposed 2" and "Argus Range Wilderness- Proposed 3", dated January 1989, and which shall be known as the Argus Range Wilderness. If at any time within 15 years after the date of enactment of this Act the Secretary of the Navy notifies the Secretary of the Interior that permission has been granted to use lands within the area of the China Lake Naval Air Warfare Center for installation of a space energy laser facility, and that establishment of a right-of-way across lands within the Argus Range Wilderness is desirable in order to facilitate access to the lands to be used for such facility, the Secretary of the Interior, pursuant to the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976, may grant a right-of-way for, and authorize construction of, a road to be used solely for that purpose across such lands,

notwithstanding the designation of such lands as wilderness. So far as practicable, any such road shall be aligned in a manner that takes into account the desirability of minimizing adverse impacts on wilderness values.

- (2) Certain lands in the California Desert Conservation Area, of the Bureau of Land Management, which comprise approximately ten thousand three hundred and eighty acres, as generally depicted on a map entitled "Bigelow Cholla Garden Wilderness--Proposed", dated July 1993, and which shall be known as the Bigelow Cholla Garden Wilderness.
- (3) Certain lands in the California Desert Conservation Area, of the Bureau of Land Management, and within the San Bernardino National Forest, which comprise approximately thirty- nine thousand two hundred acres, as generally depicted on a map entitled "Bighorn Mountain Wilderness--Proposed", dated September 1991, and which shall be known as the Bighorn Mountain Wilderness.
- (4) Certain lands in the California Desert Conservation Area and the Yuma District, of the Bureau of Land Management, which comprise approximately forty-seven thousand five hundred and seventy acres, as generally depicted on a map entitled "Big Maria Mountains Wilderness--Proposed", dated February 1986, and which shall be known as the Big Maria Mountains Wilderness.
- (5) Certain lands in the California Desert Conservation Area, of the Bureau of Land Management, which comprise approximately thirteen thousand nine hundred and forty acres, as generally depicted on a map entitled "Black Mountain Wilderness-- Proposed", dated July 1993, and which shall be known as the Black Mountain Wilderness.
- (6) Certain lands in the California Desert Conservation Area, of the Bureau of Land Management, which comprise approximately nine thousand five hundred and twenty acres, as generally depicted on a map entitled "Bright Star Wilderness-- Proposed", dated May 1991, and which shall be known as the Bright Star Wilderness.
- (7) Certain lands in the California Desert Conservation Area, of the Bureau of Land Management, which comprise approximately sixty-eight thousand five hundred and fifteen acres, as generally depicted on two maps entitled "Bristol Mountains Wilderness--Proposed 1", and "Bristol Mountains Wilderness--Proposed 2", dated September 1991, and which shall be known as Bristol Mountains Wilderness.
- (8) Certain lands in the California Desert Conservation Area, of the Bureau of Land Management, which comprise approximately thirty-nine thousand seven hundred and forty acres, as generally depicted on a map entitled "Cadiz Dunes Wilderness-- Proposed", dated July 1993, and which shall be known as the Cadiz Dunes Wilderness.
- (9) Certain lands in the California Desert Conservation Area, of the Bureau of Land Management, which comprise approximately eighty-four thousand four hundred acres, as generally depicted on a map entitled "Cady Mountains Wilderness-- Proposed", dated July 1993, and which shall be known as the Cady Mountains Wilderness.
- (10) Certain lands in the California Desert Conservation Area and Eastern San Diego County, of the Bureau of Land Management, which comprise approximately fifteen thousand seven hundred acres, as generally depicted on a map entitled "Carrizo Gorge Wilderness--Proposed", dated February 1986, and which shall be known as the Carrizo Gorge Wilderness.
- (11) Certain lands in the California Desert Conservation Area and Yuma District, of the Bureau of Land Management, which comprise approximately sixty-four thousand three hundred and twenty acres, as generally depicted on a map entitled "Chemehuevi Mountains

Wilderness--Proposed", dated July 1993, and which shall be known as the Chemehuevi Mountains Wilderness.

- (12) Certain lands in the Bakersfield District, of the Bureau of Land Management, which comprise approximately thirteen thousand seven hundred acres, as generally depicted on two maps entitled "Chimney Peak Wilderness--Proposed 1" and "Chimney Peak Wilderness--Proposed 2", dated May 1991, and which shall be known as the Chimney Peak Wilderness.
- (13) Certain lands in the California Desert Conservation Area, of the Bureau of Land Management, which comprise approximately one hundred fifty-eight thousand nine hundred and fifty acres, as generally depicted on two maps entitled "Chuckwalla Mountains Wilderness--Proposed 1" and "Chuckwalla Mountains Wilderness--Proposed 2", dated January 1989, and which shall be known as the Chuckwalla Mountains Wilderness.
- (14) Certain lands in the California Desert Conservation Area, of the Bureau of Land Management, which comprise thirty- four thousand three hundred and eighty acres, as generally depicted on a map entitled "Cleghorn Lakes Wilderness--Proposed", dated September 1991, and which shall be known as the Cleghorn Lakes Wilderness. The Secretary may, pursuant to an application filed by the Department of Defense, grant a right-of-way for, and authorize construction of, a road and utilities within the area depicted as "nonwilderness road corridor" on such map.
- (15) Certain lands in the California Desert Conservation Area, of the Bureau of Land Management, which comprise approximately forty thousand acres, as generally depicted on a map entitled "Clipper Mountain Wilderness--Proposed", dated May 1991, and which shall be known as Clipper Mountain Wilderness.
- (16) Certain lands in the California Desert Conservation Area, of the Bureau of Land Management, which comprise approximately fifty thousand five hundred and twenty acres, as generally depicted on a map entitled "Coso Range Wilderness-- Proposed", dated May 1991, and which shall be known as Coso Range Wilderness.
- (17) Certain lands in the California Desert Conservation Area, of the Bureau of Land Management, which comprise approximately seventeen thousand acres, as generally depicted on a map entitled "Coyote Mountains Wilderness--Proposed", dated July 1993, and which shall be known as Coyote Mountains Wilderness.
- (18) Certain lands in the California Desert Conservation Area, of the Bureau of Land Management, which comprise approximately eight thousand six hundred acres, as generally depicted on a map entitled "Darwin Falls Wilderness--Proposed", dated May 1991, and which shall be known as Darwin Falls Wilderness.
- (19) Certain lands in the California Desert Conservation Area and the Yuma District, of the Bureau of Land Management, which comprise approximately forty-eight thousand eight hundred and fifty acres, as generally depicted on a map entitled "Dead Mountains Wilderness--Proposed", dated October 1991, and which shall be known as Dead Mountains Wilderness.
- (20) Certain lands in the Bakersfield District, of the Bureau of Land Management, which comprise approximately thirty- six thousand three hundred acres, as generally depicted on two maps entitled "Domeland Wilderness Additions--Proposed 1" and "Domeland Wilderness Additions--Proposed 2", dated February 1986 and which are hereby incorporated in, and which shall be deemed to be a part of, the Domeland Wilderness as designated by Public Laws 93-632 and 98-425.

- (21) Certain lands in the California Desert Conservation Area, of the Bureau of Land Management, which comprise approximately twenty-three thousand seven hundred and eighty acres, as generally depicted on a map entitled "El Paso Mountains Wilderness-- Proposed", dated July 1993, and which shall be known as the El Paso Mountains Wilderness.
- (22) Certain lands in the California Desert Conservation Area, of the Bureau of Land Management, which comprise approximately twenty-five thousand nine hundred and forty acres, as generally depicted on a map entitled "Fish Creek Mountains Wilderness-- Proposed", dated July 1993, and which shall be known as Fish Creek Mountains Wilderness.
- (23) Certain lands in the California Desert Conservation Area, of the Bureau of Land Management, which comprise approximately twenty-eight thousand one hundred and ten acres, as generally depicted on a map entitled "Funeral Mountains Wilderness--Proposed", dated May 1991, and which shall be known as Funeral Mountains Wilderness.
- (24) Certain lands in the California Desert Conservation Area, of the Bureau of Land Management, which comprise approximately thirty-seven thousand seven hundred acres, as generally depicted on a map entitled "Golden Valley Wilderness-- Proposed", dated February 1986 and which shall be known as Golden Valley Wilderness.
- (25) Certain lands in the California Desert Conservation Area, of the Bureau of Land Management, which comprise approximately thirty-one thousand seven hundred and twenty acres, as generally depicted on a map entitled "Grass Valley Wilderness- Proposed", dated February 1986 and which shall be known as the Grass Valley Wilderness.
- (26) Certain lands in the California Desert Conservation Area, of the Bureau of Land Management, which comprise approximately twenty-two thousand two hundred and forty acres, as generally depicted on a map entitled "Hollow Hills Wilderness- Proposed", dated May 1991, and which shall be known as the Hollow Hills Wilderness.
- (27) Certain lands in the California Desert Conservation Area, of the Bureau of Land Management, which comprise approximately twenty-six thousand four hundred and sixty acres, as generally depicted on a map entitled "Ibex Wilderness-- Proposed", dated May 1991, and which shall be known as the Ibex Wilderness.
- (28) Certain lands in the California Desert Conservation Area, of the Bureau of Land Management, which comprise approximately thirty-four thousand and fifty-five acres, as generally depicted on a map entitled "Indian Pass Wilderness-- Proposed", dated May 1994, and which shall be known as the Indian Pass Wilderness.
- (29) Certain lands in the California Desert Conservation Area and the Bakersfield District, of the Bureau of Land Management, and within the Inyo National Forest, which comprise approximately two hundred five thousand and twenty acres, as generally depicted on three maps entitled "Inyo Mountains Wilderness--Proposed", numbered in the title one through three, and dated May 1991, and which shall be known as the Inyo Mountains Wilderness.
- (30) Certain lands in the California Desert Conservation Area, of the Bureau of Land Management, which comprise approximately thirty-three thousand six hundred and seventy acres, as generally depicted on a map entitled "Jacumba Wilderness--Proposed", dated July 1993, and which shall be known as the Jacumba Wilderness.
- (31) Certain lands in the California Desert Conservation Area, of the Bureau of Land Management, which comprise approximately one hundred and twenty-nine thousand five hundred and eighty acres, as generally depicted on a map entitled "Kelso Dunes Wilderness--Proposed 1", dated October 1991, a map entitled "Kelso Dunes Wilderness--

Proposed 2", dated May 1991, and a map entitled "Kelso Dunes Wilderness--Proposed 3", dated September 1991, and which shall be known as the Kelso Dunes Wilderness.

- (32) Certain lands in the California Desert Conservation Area, of the Bureau of Land Management, and the Sequoia National Forest, which comprise approximately eighty-eight thousand two hundred and ninety acres, as generally depicted on a map entitled "Kiavah Wilderness--Proposed 1", dated February 1986, and a map entitled "Kiavah Wilderness--Proposed 2", dated May 1991, and which shall be known as the Kiavah Wilderness.

- (33) Certain lands in the California Desert Conservation Area, of the Bureau of Land Management, which comprise approximately two hundred nine thousand six hundred and eight acres, as generally depicted on four maps entitled "Kingston Range Wilderness--Proposed", numbered in the title one through four dated May 1994, and which shall be known as the Kingston Range Wilderness.

- (34) Certain lands in the California Desert Conservation Area, of the Bureau of Land Management, which comprise approximately twenty-nine thousand eight hundred and eighty acres, as generally depicted on a map entitled "Little Chuckwalla Mountains Wilderness--Proposed", dated July 1993, and which shall be known as the Little Chuckwalla Mountains Wilderness.

- (35) Certain lands in the California Desert Conservation Area and the Yuma District, of the Bureau of Land Management, which comprise approximately thirty-three thousand six hundred acres, as generally depicted on a map entitled "Little Picacho Wilderness--Proposed", dated July 1993, and which shall be known as the Little Picacho Wilderness.

- (36) Certain lands in the California Desert Conservation Area, of the Bureau of Land Management, which comprise approximately thirty-two thousand three hundred and sixty acres, as generally depicted on a map entitled "Malpais Mesa Wilderness- Proposed", dated September 1991, and which shall be known as the Malpais Mesa Wilderness.

- (37) Certain lands in the California Desert Conservation Area, of the Bureau of Land Management, which comprise approximately sixteen thousand one hundred and five acres, as generally depicted on a map entitled "Manly Peak Wilderness-- Proposed", dated October 1991, and which shall be known as the Manly Peak Wilderness.

- (38) Certain lands in the California Desert Conservation Area, of the Bureau of Land Management, which comprise approximately twenty-four thousand two hundred acres, as generally depicted on a map entitled "Mecca Hills Wilderness-- Proposed", dated July 1993, and which shall be known as the Mecca Hills Wilderness.

- (39) Certain lands in the California Desert Conservation Area, of the Bureau of Land Management, which comprise approximately forty-seven thousand three hundred and thirty acres, as generally depicted on a map entitled "Mesquite Wilderness--Proposed", dated May 1991, and which shall be known as the Mesquite Wilderness.

- (40) Certain lands in the California Desert Conservation Area, of the Bureau of Land Management, which comprise approximately twenty-two thousand nine hundred acres, as generally depicted on a map entitled "Newberry Mountains Wilderness--Proposed", dated February 1986, and which shall be known as the Newberry Mountains Wilderness.

- (41) Certain lands in the California Desert Conservation Area, of the Bureau of Land Management, which comprise approximately one hundred ten thousand eight hundred and sixty acres, as generally depicted on a map entitled "Nopah Range Wilderness--Proposed", dated July 1993, and which shall be known as the Nopah Range Wilderness.

- (42) Certain lands in the California Desert Conservation Area, of the Bureau of Land Management, which comprise approximately thirty-two thousand two hundred and forty acres, as generally depicted on a map entitled "North Algodones Dunes Wilderness-- Proposed", dated October 1991, and which shall be known as the North Algodones Dunes Wilderness.
- (43) Certain lands in the California Desert Conservation Area, of the Bureau of Land Management, which comprise approximately twenty-five thousand five hundred and forty acres, as generally depicted on a map entitled "North Mesquite Mountains Wilderness-- Proposed", dated May 1991, and which shall be known as the North Mesquite Mountains Wilderness.
- (44) Certain lands in the California Desert Conservation Area, of the Bureau of Land Management, which comprise approximately one hundred forty-six thousand and seventy acres, as generally depicted on a map entitled "Old Woman Mountains Wilderness-- Proposed 1", dated May 1994 and a map entitled "Old Woman Mountains Wilderness-- Proposed 2", dated October 1991, and which shall be known as the Old Woman Mountains Wilderness.
- (45) Certain lands in the California Desert Conservation Area, of the Bureau of Land Management, which comprise approximately fifty-seven thousand four hundred and eighty acres, as generally depicted on a map entitled "Orocopia Mountains Wilderness--Proposed", dated May 1994, and which shall be known as the Orocopia Mountains Wilderness.
- (46) Certain lands in the California Desert Conservation Area and the Bakersfield District, of the Bureau of Land Management, which comprise approximately seventy-four thousand six hundred and forty acres, as generally depicted on a map entitled "Owens Peak Wilderness--Proposed 1", dated February 1986, and two maps entitled "Owens Peak Wilderness--Proposed 2" dated February 1986 and "Owens Peak Wilderness--Proposed 3", dated May 1991, and which shall be known as the Owens Peak Wilderness.
- (47) Certain lands in the California Desert Conservation Area, of the Bureau of Land Management, which comprise approximately seventy-four thousand eight hundred acres, as generally depicted on a map entitled "Pahrump Valley Wilderness-- Proposed", dated February 1986 and which shall be known as the Pahrump Valley Wilderness.
- (48) Certain lands in the California Desert Conservation Area, of the Bureau of Land Management, which comprise approximately two hundred seventy thousand six hundred and twenty-nine acres, as generally depicted on a map entitled "Palen/McCoy Wilderness-- Proposed 1", dated July 1993, and a map entitled "Palen/McCoy Wilderness--Proposed 2", dated July 1993, and which shall be known as the Palen/McCoy Wilderness.
- (49) Certain lands in the California Desert Conservation Area, of the Bureau of Land Management, which comprise approximately thirty-two thousand three hundred and ten acres, as generally depicted on a map entitled "Palo Verde Mountains Wilderness-- Proposed", dated July 1993, and which shall be known as the Palo Verde Mountains Wilderness.
- (50) Certain lands in the California Desert Conservation Area, of the Bureau of Land Management, which comprise approximately seven thousand seven hundred acres, as generally depicted on a map entitled "Picacho Peak Wilderness--Proposed", dated May 1991, and which shall be known as the Picacho Peak Wilderness.
- (51) Certain lands in the California Desert Conservation Area, of the Bureau of Land Management, which comprise approximately seventy-two thousand six hundred acres, as

generally depicted on a map entitled "Piper Mountain Wilderness-- Proposed", dated May 1991, and which shall be known as the Piper Mountain Wilderness.

- (52) Certain lands in the California Desert Conservation Area, of the Bureau of Land Management, which comprise approximately thirty-six thousand eight hundred and forty acres, as generally depicted on a map entitled "Piute Mountains Wilderness--Proposed", dated July 1993, and which shall be known as the Piute Mountains Wilderness.
- (53) Certain lands in the California Desert Conservation Area, of the Bureau of Land Management, which comprise approximately seventy-eight thousand eight hundred and sixty- eight acres, as generally depicted on a map entitled "Resting Spring Range Wilderness--Proposed", dated May 1991, and which shall be known as the Resting Spring Range Wilderness.
- (54) Certain lands in the California Desert Conservation Area, of the Bureau of Land Management, which comprise approximately forty thousand eight hundred and twenty acres, as generally depicted on a map entitled "Rice Valley Wilderness-- Proposed", dated May 1991, and which shall be known as the Rice Valley Wilderness.
- (55) Certain lands in the California Desert Conservation Area and the Yuma District, of the Bureau of Land Management, which comprise approximately twenty-two thousand three hundred eighty acres, as generally depicted on a map entitled "Riverside Mountains Wilderness--Proposed", dated May 1991, and which shall be known as the Riverside Mountains Wilderness.
- (56) Certain lands in the California Desert Conservation Area, of the Bureau of Land Management, which comprise approximately twenty-seven thousand seven hundred acres, as generally depicted on a map entitled "Rodman Mountains Wilderness--Proposed", dated January 1989, and which shall be known as the Rodman Mountains Wilderness.
- (57) Certain lands in the California Desert Conservation Area and the Bakersfield District, of the Bureau of Land Management, which comprise approximately fifty-one thousand nine hundred acres, as generally depicted on two maps entitled "Sacatar Trail Wilderness-- Proposed 1" and "Sacatar Trail Wilderness--Proposed 2", dated May 1991, and which shall be known as the Sacatar Trail Wilderness.
- (58) Certain lands in the California Desert Conservation Area, of the Bureau of Land Management, which comprise approximately one thousand four hundred and forty acres, as generally depicted on a map entitled "Saddle Peak Hills Wilderness--Proposed", dated July 1993, and which shall be known as the Saddle Peak Hills Wilderness.
- (59) Certain lands in the California Desert Conservation Area, of the Bureau of Land Management, which comprise approximately thirty-seven thousand nine hundred and eighty acres, as generally depicted on a map entitled "San Gorgonio Wilderness Additions-- Proposed", dated July 1993, and which are hereby incorporated in, and which shall be deemed to be a part of, the San Gorgonio Wilderness as designated by Public Laws 88- 577 and 98-425.
- (60) Certain lands in the California Desert Conservation Area, of the Bureau of Land Management, which comprise approximately sixty-four thousand three hundred and forty acres, as generally depicted on a map entitled "Santa Rosa Wilderness Additions-- Proposed", dated March 1994, and which are hereby incorporated in, and which shall be deemed to be part of, the Santa Rosa Wilderness designated by Public Law 98-425.
- (61) Certain lands in the California Desert District, of the Bureau of Land Management, which comprise approximately thirty-five thousand and eighty acres, as generally depicted

on a map entitled "Sawtooth Mountains Wilderness--Proposed", dated July 1993, and which shall be known as the Sawtooth Mountains Wilderness.

- (62) Certain lands in the California Desert Conservation Area, of the Bureau of Land Management, which comprise approximately one hundred seventy-four thousand eight hundred acres, as generally depicted on two maps entitled "Sheep Hole Valley Wilderness--Proposed 1", dated July 1993, and "Sheep Hole Valley Wilderness--Proposed 2", dated July 1993, and which shall be known as the Sheephole Valley Wilderness.
- (63) Certain lands in the California Desert Conservation Area, of the Bureau of Land Management, which comprise approximately forty-four thousand four hundred and ten acres, as generally depicted on a map entitled "Slate Range Wilderness-- Proposed", dated October 1991, and which shall be known as the Slate Range Wilderness.
- (64) Certain lands in the California Desert Conservation Area, of the Bureau of Land Management, which comprise approximately sixteen thousand seven hundred and eighty acres, as generally depicted on a map entitled "South Nopah Range Wilderness--Proposed", dated February 1986, and which shall be known as the South Nopah Range Wilderness.
- (65) Certain lands in the California Desert Conservation Area, of the Bureau of Land Management, which comprise approximately seven thousand and fifty acres, as generally depicted on a map entitled "Stateline Wilderness--Proposed", dated May 1991, and which shall be known as the Stateline Wilderness.
- (66) Certain lands in the California Desert Conservation Area, of the Bureau of Land Management, which comprise approximately eighty-one thousand six hundred acres, as generally depicted on a map entitled "Stepladder Mountains Wilderness--Proposed", dated February 1986, and which shall be known as the Stepladder Mountains Wilderness.
- (67) Certain lands in the California Desert Conservation Area, of the Bureau of Land Management, which comprise approximately twenty-nine thousand one hundred and eighty acres, as generally depicted on a map entitled "Surprise Canyon Wilderness--Proposed", dated September 1991, and which shall be known as the Surprise Canyon Wilderness.
- (68) Certain lands in the California Desert Conservation Area, of the Bureau of Land Management, which comprise approximately seventeen thousand eight hundred and twenty acres, as generally depicted on a map entitled "Sylvania Mountains Wilderness--Proposed", dated February 1986, and which shall be known as the Sylvania Mountains Wilderness.
- (69) Certain lands in the California Desert Conservation Area, of the Bureau of Land Management, which comprise approximately thirty-three thousand seven hundred and twenty acres, as generally depicted on a map entitled "Trilobite Wilderness--Proposed", dated May 1991, and which shall be known as the Trilobite Wilderness.
- (70) Certain lands in the California Desert Conservation Area, of the Bureau of Land Management, which comprise approximately one hundred forty-four thousand five hundred acres, as generally depicted on a map entitled "Turtle Mountains Wilderness--Proposed 1", dated February 1986 and a map entitled "Turtle Mountains Wilderness--Proposed 2", dated May 1991, and which shall be known as the Turtle Mountains Wilderness.
- (71) Certain lands in the California Desert Conservation Area and the Yuma District, of the Bureau of Land Management, which comprise approximately seventy-seven thousand five hundred and twenty acres, as generally depicted on a map entitled "Whipple Mountains Wilderness--Proposed", dated July 1993, and which shall be known as the Whipple Mountains Wilderness.

ADMINISTRATION OF WILDERNESS AREAS

SEC. 103. Subject to valid existing rights, each wilderness area designated under section 102 shall be administered by the appropriate Secretary in accordance with the provisions of the Wilderness Act, except that any reference in such provisions to the effective date of the Wilderness Act shall be deemed to be a reference to the effective date of this title and any reference to the Secretary of Agriculture shall be deemed to be a reference to the Secretary who has administrative jurisdiction over the area.

GRAZING

SEC. 104. Within the wilderness areas designated under section 102, the grazing of livestock, where established prior to the enactment of this Act, shall be permitted to continue subject to such reasonable regulations, policies, and practices as the Secretary deems necessary, as long as such regulations, policies, and practices fully conform with and implement the intent of Congress regarding grazing in such areas as such intent is expressed in the Wilderness Act and section 108 of Public Law 96-560 (16 U.S.C. 133 note).

BUFFER ZONES

SEC. 105. The Congress does not intend for the designation of wilderness areas in section 102 of this Act to lead to the creation of protective perimeters or buffer zones around any such wilderness area. The fact that nonwilderness activities or uses can be seen or heard from areas within a wilderness shall not, of itself, preclude such activities or uses up to the boundary of the wilderness area.

MINING CLAIM VALIDITY REVIEW

SEC. 106. The Secretary of the Interior shall not approve any plan of operation prior to determining the validity of the unpatented mining claims, mill sites, and tunnel sites affected by such plan within any wilderness area designated under section 102, and shall submit to Congress recommendations as to whether any valid or patented claims should be acquired by the United States, including the estimated acquisition costs of such claims, and a discussion of the environmental consequences of the extraction of minerals from these lands.

FILING OF MAPS AND DESCRIPTIONS

SEC. 107. As soon as practicable after enactment of section 102, a map and a legal description on each wilderness area designated under this title shall be filed by the Secretary concerned with the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources of the Senate and the Committee on Natural Resources of the House of Representatives, and each such map and description shall have the same force and effect as if included in this title, except that the Secretary may correct clerical and typographical errors in each such legal description and map. Each such map and legal description shall be on file and available for public inspection in the office of the Director of the Bureau of Land Management, Department of the Interior, or the Chief of the Forest Service, Department of Agriculture, as is appropriate.

WILDERNESS REVIEW

SEC. 108. (a) The Congress hereby finds and directs that except for those areas provided for in subsection (b), the public lands in the California Desert Conservation Area, managed by the Bureau of Land Management, not designated as wilderness or wilderness study areas by this Act, have been adequately studied for wilderness designation pursuant to section 603 of the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976 (90 Stat. 2743, 43 U.S.C. 1782), and are no longer subject to the requirements of section 603(c) of the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976 pertaining to the management of

wilderness study areas in a manner that does not impair the suitability of such areas for preservation as wilderness.

(b) The following areas shall continue to be subject to the requirements of section 603(c) of the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976, pertaining to the management of wilderness study areas in a manner that does not impair the suitability of such areas for preservation as wilderness:

- (1) Certain lands which comprise approximately sixty-one thousand three hundred and twenty acres, as generally depicted on a map entitled "Avawatz Mountains Wilderness--Proposed", dated May 1991.
- (2) Certain lands which comprise approximately eighty thousand four hundred and thirty acres, as generally depicted on two maps entitled "Soda Mountains Wilderness--Proposed 1", dated May 1991, and "Soda Mountains Wilderness--Proposed 2", dated January 1989.
- (3) Certain lands which compromise approximately twenty- three thousand two hundred and fifty acres, as generally depicted on a map entitled "South Avawatz Mountains--Proposed", dated May 1991.
- (4) Certain lands which comprise approximately eight thousand eight hundred acres, as generally depicted on a map entitled "Great Falls Basin Wilderness--Proposed", dated February 1986.
- (5) Certain lands which comprise approximately thirty- nine thousand seven hundred and sixty acres, as generally depicted on a map entitled "Kingston Range Potential Future Wilderness", dated May 1994.

(c) Subject to valid existing rights, the Federal lands referred to in subsection (b) are hereby withdrawn from all forms of entry, appropriation, or disposal under the public land laws; from location, entry, and patent under the United States mining laws; and from disposition under all laws pertaining to mineral and geothermal leasing, and mineral materials, and all amendments thereto, and shall be administered by the Secretary in accordance with the provisions of section 603(c) of the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976 (43 U.S.C. 1782).

DESIGNATION OF WILDERNESS STUDY AREA

SEC. 109. In furtherance of the provisions of the Wilderness Act, certain public lands in the California Desert Conservation Area of the Bureau of Land Management which comprise eleven thousand two hundred acres as generally depicted on a map entitled "White Mountains Wilderness Study Area--Proposed", dated May 1991, are hereby designated the White Mountains Wilderness Study Area and shall be administered by the Secretary in accordance with the provisions of section 603(c) of the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976.

SUITABILITY REPORT

SEC. 110. The Secretary is required, ten years after the date of enactment of this Act, to report to Congress on current and planned exploration, development or mining activities on, and suitability for future wilderness designation of, the lands as generally depicted on maps entitled "Surprise Canyon Wilderness-- Proposed", "Middle Park Canyon Wilderness--Proposed", and "Death Valley National Park Boundary and Wilderness 15", dated September 1991 and a map entitled "Manly Peak Wilderness--Proposed", dated October 1991.

WILDERNESS DESIGNATION AND MANAGEMENT IN THE NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE SYSTEM

SEC. 111. (a) In furtherance of the purposes of the Wilderness Act, the following lands are hereby designated as wilderness and therefore, as components of the National Wilderness Preservation System:

- (1) Certain lands in the Havasu National Wildlife Refuge, California, which comprise approximately three thousand one hundred and ninety-five acres, as generally depicted on a map entitled "Havasus Wilderness--Proposed", and dated October 1991, and which shall be known as the Havasu Wilderness.
- (2) Certain lands in the Imperial National Wildlife Refuge, California, which comprise approximately five thousand eight hundred and thirty-six acres, as generally depicted on two maps entitled "Imperial Refuge Wilderness--Proposed 1" and "Imperial Refuge Wilderness--Proposed 2", and dated October 1991, and which shall be known as the Imperial Refuge Wilderness.

(b) Subject to valid existing rights, the wilderness areas designated under this section shall be administered by the Secretary in accordance with the provisions of the Wilderness Act governing areas designated by that Act as wilderness, except that any reference in such provisions to the effective date of the Wilderness Act (or any similar reference) shall be deemed to be a reference to the date of enactment of this Act and any reference to the Secretary of Agriculture shall be deemed to be a reference to the Secretary of the Interior.

(c) As soon as practicable after enactment of this section, the Secretary shall file a map and a legal description of each wilderness area designated under this section with the Committees on Energy and Natural Resources and Environment and Public Works of the Senate and Natural Resources and Merchant Marine and Fisheries of the House of Representatives. Such map and description shall have the same force and effect as if included in this Act, except that correction of clerical and typographical errors in such legal description and map may be made. Such map and legal description shall be on file and available for public inspection in the Office of the Director, United States Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior.

LAW ENFORCEMENT ACCESS

SEC. 112. Nothing in this Act, including the wilderness designations made by this Act, may be construed to preclude Federal, State, and local law enforcement agencies from conducting law enforcement and border operations as permitted before the enactment of this Act, including the use of motor vehicles and aircraft, on any lands designated as wilderness by this Act.

FISH AND WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT

SEC. 113. As provided in section 4(d)(7) of the Wilderness Act, nothing in this title shall be construed as affecting the jurisdiction of the State of California with respect to fish and wildlife on the public lands located in that State. Management activities to maintain or restore fish and wildlife populations and the habitats to support such populations may be carried out within wilderness areas designated by this title and shall include the use of motorized vehicles by the appropriate State agencies.

TITLE II--DEATH VALLEY NATIONAL PARK

FINDINGS

SEC. 201. The Congress hereby finds that--

- (1) proclamations by Presidents Herbert Hoover in 1933 and Franklin Roosevelt in 1937 established and expanded the Death Valley National Monument for the preservation of the unusual features of scenic, scientific, and educational interest therein contained;

- (2) Death Valley National Monument is today recognized as a major unit of the National Park System, having extraordinary values enjoyed by millions of visitors;
- (3) the Monument boundaries established in the 1930's exclude and thereby expose to incompatible development and inconsistent management, contiguous Federal lands of essential and superlative natural, ecological, geological, archeological, paleontological, cultural, historical and wilderness values;
- (4) Death Valley National Monument should be substantially enlarged by the addition of all contiguous Federal lands of national park caliber and afforded full recognition and statutory protection as a national park; and
- (5) the wilderness within Death Valley should receive maximum statutory protection by designation pursuant to the Wilderness Act.

ESTABLISHMENT OF DEATH VALLEY NATIONAL PARK

SEC. 202. There is hereby established the Death Valley National Park, as generally depicted on 23 maps entitled "Death Valley National Park Boundary and Wilderness--Proposed", numbered in the title one through twenty-three, and dated May 1994 or prior, which shall be on file and available for public inspection in the offices of the Superintendent of the Park and the Director of the National Park Service, Department of the Interior. The Death Valley National Monument is hereby abolished as such, the lands and interests therein are hereby incorporated within and made part of the new Death Valley National Park, and any funds available for purposes of the monument shall be available for purposes of the park.

TRANSFER AND ADMINISTRATION OF LANDS

SEC. 203. Upon enactment of this title, the Secretary shall transfer the lands under the jurisdiction of the Bureau of Land Management depicted on the maps described in section 202 of this title, without consideration, to the administrative jurisdiction of the Director of the National Park Service for administration as part of the National Park System. The boundaries of the public lands and the national parks shall be adjusted accordingly. The Secretary shall administer the areas added to the National Park System by this title in accordance with the provisions of law generally applicable to units of the National Park System, including the Act entitled "An Act to establish a National Park Service, and for other purposes", approved August 25, 1916 (39 Stat. 535; 16 U.S.C. 1-4).

MAPS AND LEGAL DESCRIPTION

SEC. 204. Within six months after the enactment of this title, the Secretary shall file maps and a legal description of the park designated under this title with the Energy and Natural Resources Committee of the Senate and the Natural Resources Committee of the House of Representatives. Such maps and legal description shall have the same force and effect as if included in this title, except that the Secretary may correct clerical and typographical errors in such legal description and in the maps referred to in section 202. The maps and legal description shall be on file and available for public inspection in the offices of the Superintendent of the Park and the Director of the National Park Service, Department of the Interior.

WITHDRAWAL

SEC. 205. Subject to valid existing rights, the Federal lands and interests therein added to the National Park System by this title are withdrawn from disposition under the public land laws and from entry or appropriation under the mining laws of the United States, from the operation of the mineral leasing laws of the United States, and from operation of the Geothermal Steam Act of 1970.

STUDY AS TO VALIDITY OF MINING CLAIMS

SEC. 206. The Secretary shall not approve any plan of operation prior to determining the validity of the unpatented mining claims, mill sites, and tunnel sites affected by such plan within the additions to the park and shall submit to Congress recommendations as to whether any valid or patented claims should be acquired by the United States, including the estimated acquisition costs of such claims, and a discussion of the environmental consequences of the extraction of minerals from these lands.

GRAZING

SEC. 207. (a) The privilege of grazing domestic livestock on lands within the park shall continue to be exercised at no more than the current level, subject to applicable laws and National Park Service regulations.

(b) If a person holding a grazing permit referred to in subsection (a) informs the Secretary that such permittee is willing to convey to the United States any base property with respect to which such permit was issued and to which such permittee holds title, the Secretary shall make the acquisition of such base property a priority as compared with the acquisition of other lands within the park, provided agreement can be reached concerning the terms and conditions of such acquisition. Any such base property which is located outside the park and acquired as a priority pursuant to this section shall be managed by the Federal agency responsible for the majority of the adjacent lands in accordance with the laws applicable to such adjacent lands.

DEATH VALLEY NATIONAL PARK ADVISORY COMMISSION

SEC. 208. (a) The Secretary shall establish an advisory commission of no more than 15 members, to advise the Secretary concerning the development and implementation of a new or revised comprehensive management plan for Death Valley National Park.

(b)

- (1) The advisory commission shall include an elected official for each County within which any part of the park is located, a representative of the owners of private properties located within or immediately adjacent to the park, and other members representing persons actively engaged in grazing and range management, mineral exploration and development, and persons with expertise in relevant fields, including geology, biology, ecology, law enforcement, and the protection and management of National Park resources and values.
- (2) Vacancies in the commission shall be filled by the Secretary so as to maintain the full diversity of views required to be represented on the commission.

(c) The Federal Advisory Committee Act shall apply to the procedures and activities of the advisory commission.

(d) The advisory commission shall cease to exist ten years after the date of its establishment.

BOUNDARY ADJUSTMENT

SEC. 210. In preparing the maps and legal descriptions required by sections 204 and 502, the Secretary shall adjust the boundaries of the Death Valley National Park and Death Valley National Park Wilderness so as to exclude from such National Park and Wilderness the lands generally depicted on the map entitled "Porter Mine (Panamint Range) Exclusion Area" dated June 1994.

TITLE III--JOSHUA TREE NATIONAL PARK

FINDINGS

SEC. 301. The Congress hereby finds that--

- (1) a proclamation by President Franklin Roosevelt in 1936 established Joshua Tree National Monument to protect various objects of historical and scientific interest;
- (2) Joshua Tree National Monument today is recognized as a major unit of the National Park System, having extraordinary values enjoyed by millions of visitors;
- (3) the Monument boundaries as modified in 1950 and 1961 exclude and thereby expose to incompatible development and inconsistent management, contiguous Federal lands of essential and superlative natural, ecological, archeological, paleontological, cultural, historical and wilderness values;
- (4) Joshua Tree National Monument should be enlarged by the addition of contiguous Federal lands of national park caliber, and afforded full recognition and statutory protection as a national park; and
- (5) the nondesignated wilderness within Joshua Tree should receive statutory protection by designation pursuant to the Wilderness Act.

ESTABLISHMENT OF JOSHUA TREE NATIONAL PARK

SEC. 302. There is hereby established the Joshua Tree National Park, as generally depicted on a map entitled "Joshua Tree National Park Boundary--Proposed", dated May 1991, and four maps entitled "Joshua Tree National Park Boundary and Wilderness", numbered in the title one through four, and dated October 1991 or prior, which shall be on file and available for public inspection in the offices of the Superintendent of the Park and the Director of the National Park Service, Department of the Interior. The Joshua Tree National Monument is hereby abolished as such, the lands and interests therein are hereby incorporated within and made part of the new Joshua Tree National Park, and any funds available for purposes of the monument shall be available for purposes of the park.

TRANSFER AND ADMINISTRATION OF LANDS

SEC. 303. Upon enactment of this title, the Secretary shall transfer the lands under the jurisdiction of the Bureau of Land Management depicted on the maps described in section 302 of this title, without consideration, to the administrative jurisdiction of the Director of the National Park Service for administration as part of the National Park System. The boundaries of the public lands and the national parks shall be adjusted accordingly. The Secretary shall administer the areas added to the National Park System by this title in accordance with the provisions of law generally applicable to units of the National Park System, including the Act entitled "An Act to establish a National Park Service, and for other purposes", approved August 25, 1916 (39 Stat. 535; 16 U.S.C. 1-4).

MAPS AND LEGAL DESCRIPTION

SEC. 304. Within six months after the enactment of this title, the Secretary shall file maps and legal description of the park designated by this title with the Energy and Natural Resources Committee of the Senate and the Natural Resources Committee of the House of Representatives. Such maps and legal description shall have the same force and effect as if included in this title, except that the Secretary may correct clerical and typographical errors in such legal description and in the maps referred to in section 302. The maps and legal description shall be on file and available for public inspection in the offices of the Superintendent of the Park and the Director of the National Park Service, Department of the Interior.

WITHDRAWAL

SEC. 305. Subject to valid existing rights, Federal lands and interests therein added to the National Park System by this title are withdrawn from disposition under the public lands laws and from entry or appropriation under the mining laws of the United States, from the operation of the mineral leasing laws of the United States, and from the operation of the Geothermal Steam Act of 1970.

UTILITY RIGHTS-OF-WAY

SEC. 306. Nothing in this title shall have the effect of terminating any validly issued right-of-way or customary operation maintenance, repair, and replacement activities in such right-of-way, issued, granted, or permitted to the Metropolitan Water District pursuant to the Boulder Canyon Project Act (43 U.S.C. 617-619b), which is located on lands included in the Joshua Tree National Park, but outside lands designated as wilderness under section 501(2).

Such activities shall be conducted in a manner which will minimize the impact on park resources. Nothing in this title shall have the effect of terminating the fee title to lands or customary operation, maintenance, repair, and replacement activities on or under such lands granted to the Metropolitan Water District pursuant to the Act of June 18, 1932 (47 Stat. 324), which are located on lands included in the Joshua Tree National Park, but outside lands designated as wilderness under section 501(2). Such activities shall be conducted in a manner which will minimize the impact on park resources. The Secretary shall prepare within 180 days after the date of enactment of this Act, in consultation with the Metropolitan Water District, plans for emergency access by the Metropolitan Water District to its lands and rights-of-way.

STUDY AS TO VALIDITY OF MINING CLAIMS

SEC. 307. The Secretary shall not approve any plan of operation prior to determining the validity of the unpatented mining claims, mill sites, and tunnel sites affected by such plan within the park and shall submit to Congress recommendations as to whether any valid or patented claims should be acquired by the United States, including the estimated acquisition costs of such claims, and a discussion of the environmental consequences of the extraction of minerals from these lands.

JOSHUA TREE NATIONAL PARK ADVISORY COMMISSION

SEC. 308. (a) The Secretary shall establish an advisory commission of no more than 15 members, to advise the Secretary concerning the development and implementation of a new or revised comprehensive management plan for Joshua Tree National Park.

(b)

- (1) The advisory commission shall include an elected official for each County within which any part of the park is located, a representative of the owners of private properties located within or immediately adjacent to the park, and other members representing persons actively engaged in grazing and range management, mineral exploration and development, and persons with expertise in relevant fields, including geology, biology, ecology, law enforcement, and the protection and management of National Park resources and values.
- (2) Vacancies in the commission shall be filled by the Secretary so as to maintain the full diversity of views required to be represented on the commission.
- (c) The Federal Advisory Committee Act shall apply to the procedures and activities of the advisory commission.
- (d) The advisory commission shall cease to exist ten years after the date of its establishment.

TITLE IV--MOJAVE NATIONAL PRESERVE

FINDINGS

SEC. 401. The Congress hereby finds that--

- (1) Death Valley and Joshua Tree National Parks, as established by this Act, protect unique and superlative desert resources, but do not embrace the particular ecosystems and transitional desert type found in the Mojave Desert area lying between them on public lands now afforded only impermanent administrative designation as a national scenic area;
- (2) the Mojave Desert area possesses outstanding natural, cultural, historical, and recreational values meriting statutory designation and recognition as a unit of the National Park System;
- (3) the Mojave Desert area should be afforded full recognition and statutory protection as a national preserve;
- (4) the wilderness within the Mojave Desert should receive maximum statutory protection by designation pursuant to the Wilderness Act; and
- (5) the Mojave Desert area provides an outstanding opportunity to develop services, programs, accommodations and facilities to ensure the use and enjoyment of the area by individuals with disabilities, consistent with section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, Public Law 101-336, the Americans With Disabilities Act of 1990 (42 U.S.C. 12101), and other appropriate laws and regulations.

ESTABLISHMENT OF THE MOJAVE NATIONAL PRESERVE

SEC. 402. (a) There is hereby established the Mojave National Preserve, comprising approximately one million four hundred nineteen thousand eight hundred acres, as generally depicted on a map entitled "Mojave National Park Boundary--Proposed", dated May 17, 1994, which shall be on file and available for inspection in the appropriate offices of the Director of the National Park Service, Department of the Interior.

(b)

- (1) There is hereby established the Dinosaur Trackway Area of Critical Environmental Concern within the California Desert Conservation Area, of the Bureau of Land Management, comprising approximately five hundred and ninety acres as generally depicted on a map entitled "Dinosaur Trackway Area of Critical Environmental Concern", dated July 1993. The Secretary shall administer the area to preserve the paleontological resources within the area.
- (2) Subject to valid existing rights, the Federal lands within and adjacent to the Dinosaur Trackway Area of Critical Environmental Concern, as generally depicted on a map entitled "Dinosaur Trackway Mineral Withdrawal Area", dated July 1993, are hereby withdrawn from all forms of entry, appropriation, or disposal under the public land laws; from location, entry, and patent under the United States mining laws; and from disposition under all laws pertaining to mineral and geothermal leasing, and mineral materials, and all amendments thereto.

TRANSFER OF LANDS

SEC. 403. Upon enactment of this title, the Secretary shall transfer the lands under the jurisdiction of the Bureau of Land Management depicted on the maps described in section 402 of this title, without consideration, to the administrative jurisdiction of the Director of the National Park Service. The boundaries of the public lands shall be adjusted accordingly.

MAPS AND LEGAL DESCRIPTION

SEC. 404. Within six months after the enactment of this title, the Secretary shall file maps and a legal description of the preserve designated under this title with the Energy and Natural Resources Committee of the Senate and the Natural Resources Committee of the House of Representatives. Such maps and legal description shall have the same force and effect as if included in this title, except that the Secretary may correct clerical and typographical errors in such legal description and in the maps referred to in section 402. The maps and legal description shall be on file and available for public inspection in the offices of the National Park Service, Department of the Interior.

ABOLISHMENT OF SCENIC AREA

SEC. 405. The East Mojave National Scenic Area, designated on January 13, 1981 (46 FR 3994), and modified on August 9, 1983 (48 FR 36210), is hereby abolished.

ADMINISTRATION OF LANDS

SEC. 406. (a) The Secretary shall administer the preserve in accordance with this title and with the provisions of law generally applicable to units of the National Park System, including the Act entitled "An Act to establish a National Park Service, and for other purposes", approved August 25, 1916 (39 Stat. 535; 16 U.S.C. 1-4).

(b) The Secretary shall permit hunting, fishing, and trapping on lands and waters within the preserve designated by this Act in accordance with applicable Federal and State laws except that the Secretary may designate areas where, and establish periods when, no hunting, fishing, or trapping will be permitted for reasons of public safety, administration, or compliance with provisions of applicable law. Except in emergencies, regulations closing areas to hunting, fishing, or trapping pursuant to this subsection shall be put into effect only after consultation with the appropriate State agency having responsibility for fish and wildlife. Nothing in this Act shall be construed as affecting the jurisdiction or responsibilities of the States with respect to fish and wildlife on Federal lands and waters covered by this title nor shall anything in this Act be construed as authorizing the Secretary concerned to require a Federal permit to hunt, fish, or trap on Federal lands and waters covered by this title.

WITHDRAWAL

SEC. 407. Subject to valid existing rights, Federal lands within the preserve, and interests therein, are withdrawn from disposition under the public land laws and from entry or appropriation under the mining laws of the United States, from the operation of the mineral leasing laws of the United States, and from operation of the Geothermal Steam Act of 1970.

STUDY AS TO VALIDITY OF MINING CLAIMS

SEC. 408 (a) The Secretary shall not approve any plan of operation prior to determining the validity of the unpatented mining claims, mill sites, and tunnel sites affected by such plan within the preserve and shall submit to Congress recommendations as to whether any valid or patented claims should be acquired by the United States, including the estimated acquisition costs of such claims, and a discussion of the environmental consequences of the extraction of minerals from these lands.

(b)

•(1) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the Secretary of the Interior shall permit the holder or holders of mining claims identified on the records of the Bureau of Land Management as Volco #A CAMC 105446 and Volco #B CAMC 105447 to continue exploration and development activities on such claims for a period of two years after the

date of enactment of this Act, subject to the same regulations as applied to such activities on such claims on the day before such date of enactment.

- (2) At the end of the period specified in paragraph (1), or sooner if so requested by the holder or holders of the claims specified in such paragraph, the Secretary shall determine whether there has been a discovery of valuable minerals on such claims and whether, if such discovery had been made on or before July 1, 1994, such claims would have been valid as of such date under the mining laws of the United States in effect on such date.
- (3) If the Secretary, pursuant to paragraph (2), makes an affirmative determination concerning the claims specified in paragraph (1), the holder or holders of such claims shall be permitted to continue to operate such claims subject only to such regulations as applied on July 1, 1994 to the exercise of valid existing rights on patented mining claims within a unit of the National Park System.

GRAZING

SEC. 409. (a) The privilege of grazing domestic livestock on lands within the preserve shall continue to be exercised at no more than the current level, subject to applicable laws and National Park Service regulations.

(b) If a person holding a grazing permit referred to in subsection (a) informs the Secretary that such permittee is willing to convey to the United States any base property with respect to which such permit was issued and to which such permittee holds title, the Secretary shall make the acquisition of such base property a priority as compared with the acquisition of other lands within the preserve, provided agreement can be reached concerning the terms and conditions of such acquisition. Any such base property which is located outside the preserve and acquired as a priority pursuant to this section shall be managed by the Federal agency responsible for the majority of the adjacent lands in accordance with the laws applicable to such adjacent lands.

UTILITY RIGHTS OF WAY

SEC. 410. (a)

- (1) Nothing in this title shall have the effect of terminating any validly issued right-of-way or customary operation, maintenance, repair, and replacement activities in such right-of-way, issued, granted, or permitted to Southern California Edison Company, its successors or assigns, which is located on lands included in the Mojave National Preserve, but outside lands designated as wilderness under section 501(3). Such activities shall be conducted in a manner which will minimize the impact on preserve resources.
- (2) Nothing in this title shall have the effect of prohibiting the upgrading of an existing electrical transmission line for the purpose of increasing the capacity of such transmission line in the Southern California Edison Company validly issued Eldorado-Lugo Transmission Line right-of-way and Mojave-Lugo Transmission Line right-of-way, or in a right-of-way if issued, granted, or permitted by the Secretary adjacent to the existing Mojave-Lugo Transmission Line right-of-way (hereafter in this section referred to as "adjacent right-of-way"), including construction of a replacement transmission line: Provided, That--
 - (A) in the Eldorado-Lugo Transmission Line rights-of-way (hereafter in this section referred to as the "Eldorado rights- of-way") at no time shall there be more than three electrical transmission lines,
 - (B) in the Mojave-Lugo Transmission Line right-of-way (hereafter in this section referred to as the "Mojave right-of- way") and adjacent right-of-way, removal of the existing electrical transmission line and reclamation of the site shall be completed no later than

three years after the date on which construction of the upgraded transmission line begins, after which time there may be only one electrical transmission line in the lands encompassed by Mojave right-of-way and adjacent right- of-way,

- (C) if there are no more than two electrical transmission lines in the Eldorado rights-of-way, two electrical transmission lines in the lands encompassed by the Mojave right-of-way and adjacent right-of-way may be allowed,
- (D) in the Eldorado rights-of-way and Mojave right-of-way no additional land shall be issued, granted, or permitted for such upgrade unless an addition would reduce the impacts to preserve resources,
- (E) no more than 350 feet of additional land shall be issued, granted, or permitted for an adjacent right-of-way to the south of the Mojave right-of-way unless a greater addition would reduce the impacts to preserve resources, and
- (F) such upgrade activities, including helicopter aided construction, shall be conducted in a manner which will minimize the impact on preserve resources.
- (3) The Secretary shall prepare within 180 days after the date of enactment of this Act, in consultation with the Southern California Edison Company, plans for emergency access by the Southern California Edison Company to its rights-of-way.

(b)

•(1) Nothing in this title shall have the effect of terminating any validly issued right-of-way, or customary operation, maintenance, repair, and replacement activities in such right-of-way; prohibiting the upgrading of and construction on existing facilities in such right-of-way for the purpose of increasing the capacity of the existing pipeline; or prohibiting the renewal of such right-of- way issued, granted, or permitted to the Southern California Gas Company, its successors or assigns, which is located on lands included in the Mojave National Preserve, but outside lands designated as wilderness under section 501(3). Such activities shall be conducted in a manner which will minimize the impact on preserve resources.

•(2) The Secretary shall prepare within one hundred and eighty days after the date of enactment of this title, in consultation with the Southern California Gas Company, plans for emergency access by the Southern California Gas Company to its rights-of-way.

(c) Nothing in this title shall have the effect of terminating any validly issued right-of-way or customary operation, maintenance, repair, and replacement activities of existing facilities issued, granted, or permitted for communications cables or lines, which are located on lands included in the Mojave National Preserve, but outside lands designated as wilderness under section 501(3). Such activities shall be conducted in a manner which will minimize the impact on preserve resources.

(d) Nothing in this title shall have the effect of terminating any validly issued right-of-way or customary operation, maintenance, repair, and replacement activities of existing facilities issued, granted, or permitted to Molybdenum Corporation of America; Molycorp, Incorporated; or Union Oil Company of California (d/b/a Unocal Corporation); or its successors or assigns, or prohibiting renewal of such right-of-way, which is located on lands included in the Mojave National Preserve, but outside lands designated as wilderness under section 501(3). Such activities shall be conducted in a manner which will minimize the impact on preserve resources.

PREPARATION OF MANAGEMENT PLAN

SEC. 411. Within three years after the date of enactment of this title, the Secretary shall submit to the Energy and Natural Resources Committee of the Senate and the Natural Resources Committee of the House of Representatives a detailed and comprehensive management plan for the preserve. Such plan shall place emphasis on historical and cultural sites and ecological and wilderness values within the boundaries of the preserve. Any development, including road improvements, proposed by such plan shall be strictly limited to that which is essential and appropriate for the administration of the preserve and shall be designed and located so as to maintain the primitive nature of the area and to minimize the impairment of preserve resources or ecological values.

To the extent practicable, administrative facilities, employee housing, commercial visitor services, accommodations, and other preserve-related development shall be located or provided for outside of the boundaries of the preserve. Such plan shall evaluate the feasibility of using the Kelso Depot and existing railroad corridor to provide public access to and a facility for special interpretive, educational, and scientific programs within the preserve. Such plan shall specifically address the needs of individuals with disabilities in the design of services, programs, accommodations and facilities consistent with section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, Public Law 101-336, the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (42 U.S.C. 12101), and other appropriate laws and regulations.

GRANITE MOUNTAINS NATURAL RESERVE

SEC. 412. (a) There is hereby designated the Granite Mountains Natural Reserve within the preserve comprising approximately nine thousand acres as generally depicted on a map entitled "Mojave National Park Boundary and Wilderness--Proposed 6", dated May 1991.

(b) Upon enactment of this title, the Secretary of the Interior shall enter into a cooperative management agreement with the University of California for the purposes of managing the lands within the Granite Mountains Natural Reserve. Such cooperative agreement shall ensure continuation of arid lands research and educational activities of the University of California, consistent with the provisions of law generally applicable to units of the National Park System.

CONSTRUCTION OF VISITOR CENTER

SEC. 413. The Secretary is authorized to construct a visitor center in the preserve for the purpose of providing information through appropriate displays, printed material, and other interpretive programs, about the resources of the preserve.

ACQUISITION OF LANDS

SEC. 414. The Secretary is authorized to acquire all lands and interest in lands within the boundary of the preserve by donation, purchase, or exchange, except that--

- (1) any lands or interests therein within the boundary of the preserve which are owned by the State of California, or any political subdivision thereof, may be acquired only by donation or exchange except for lands managed by the California State Lands Commission; and
- (2) lands or interests therein within the boundary of the preserve which are not owned by the State of California or any political subdivision thereof may be acquired only with the consent of the owner thereof unless the Secretary determines, after written notice to the owner and after opportunity for comment, that the property is being developed, or proposed to be developed, in a manner which is detrimental to the integrity of the preserve or which is otherwise incompatible with the purposes of this title.

ACQUIRED LANDS BE MADE PART OF MOJAVE NATIONAL PRESERVE

SEC. 415. Any lands acquired by the Secretary under this title shall become part of the Mojave National Preserve.

MOJAVE NATIONAL PRESERVE ADVISORY COMMISSION

SEC. 416. (a) The Secretary shall establish an advisory commission of no more than 15 members, to advise the Secretary concerning the development and implementation of a new or revised comprehensive management plan for Mojave National Preserve.

(b)

- (1) The advisory commission shall include an elected official for each County within which any part of the preserve is located, a representative of the owners of private properties located within or immediately adjacent to the preserve, and other members representing persons actively engaged in grazing and range management, mineral exploration and development, and persons with expertise in relevant fields, including geology, biology, ecology, law enforcement, and the protection and management of National Park resources and values.

- (2) Vacancies in the commission shall be filled by the Secretary so as to maintain the full diversity of views required to be represented on the Commission.

(c) The Federal Advisory Committee Act shall apply to the procedures and activities of the advisory commission.

(d) The advisory commission shall cease to exist ten years after the date of its establishment.

NO ADVERSE AFFECT ON LAND UNTIL ACQUIRED

SEC. 417. Unless and until acquired by the United States, no lands within the boundaries of wilderness areas or National Park System units designated or enlarged by this Act that are owned by any person or entity other than the United States shall be subject to any of the rules or regulations applicable solely to the Federal lands within such boundaries and may be used to the extent allowed by applicable law. Neither the location of such lands within such boundaries nor the possible acquisition of such lands by the United States shall constitute a bar to the otherwise lawful issuance of any Federal license or permit other than a license or permit related to activities governed by 16 U.S.C. (c). Nothing in this section shall be construed as affecting the applicability of any provision of the Mining in the Parks Act (16 U.S.C. 1901 et seq.), the Clean Air Act (42 U.S.C. 7401 et seq.), or regulations applicable to oil and gas development as set forth in 36 CFR 9B.

TITLE V--NATIONAL PARK WILDERNESS

DESIGNATION OF WILDERNESS

SEC. 501. The following lands are hereby designated as wilderness in accordance with the Wilderness Act (78 Stat. 890; 16 U.S.C. 1131 et seq.) and shall be administered by the Secretary of the Interior in accordance with the applicable provisions of the Wilderness Act:

- (1) Death Valley National Park Wilderness, comprising approximately three million one hundred sixty-two thousand one hundred and thirty-eight acres, as generally depicted on 23 maps entitled "Death Valley National Park Boundary and Wilderness", numbered in the title one through twenty-three, and dated May 1994 or prior, and three maps entitled "Death Valley National Park Wilderness", numbered in the title one through three, and dated May 1994 or prior, and which shall be known as the Death Valley Wilderness.

- (2) Joshua Tree National Park Wilderness Additions, comprising approximately one hundred thirty-one thousand seven hundred and eighty acres, as generally depicted on four

maps entitled "Joshua Tree National Park Boundary and Wilderness-- Proposed", numbered in the title one through four, and dated October 1991 or prior, and which are hereby incorporated in, and which shall be deemed to be a part of the Joshua Tree Wilderness as designated by Public Law 94-567.

- (3) Mojave National Preserve Wilderness, comprising approximately six hundred ninety-four thousand acres, as generally depicted on ten maps entitled "Mojave National Park Boundary and Wilderness--Proposed", numbered in the title one through ten, and dated May 1994 or prior, and seven maps entitled "Mojave National Park Wilderness--Proposed", numbered in the title one through seven, and dated May 1994 or prior, and which shall be known as the Mojave Wilderness.

- (4) Upon cessation of all uses prohibited by the Wilderness Act and publication by the Secretary in the Federal Register of notice of such cessation, potential wilderness, comprising approximately six thousand eight hundred and forty acres, as described in "1988 Death Valley National Monument Draft General Management Plan Draft Environmental Impact Statement" (hereafter in this title referred to as "Draft Plan") and as generally depicted on a map in the Draft Plan entitled "Wilderness Plan Death Valley National Monument", dated January 1988, shall be deemed to be a part of the Death Valley Wilderness as designated in paragraph (1). Lands identified in the Draft Plan as potential wilderness shall be managed by the Secretary insofar as practicable as wilderness until such time as said lands are designated as wilderness.

FILING OF MAPS AND DESCRIPTIONS

SEC. 502. Maps and a legal description of the boundaries of the areas designated in section 501 of this title shall be on file and available for public inspection in the Office of the Director of the National Park Service, Department of the Interior, and in the Office of the Superintendent of each area designated in section 501.

As soon as practicable after this title takes effect, maps of the wilderness areas and legal descriptions of their boundaries shall be filed with the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources of the Senate and the Committee on Natural Resources of the House of Representatives, and such maps and descriptions shall have the same force and effect as if included in this title, except that the Secretary may correct clerical and typographical errors in such maps and descriptions.

ADMINISTRATION OF WILDERNESS AREAS

SEC. 503. The areas designated by section 501 of this title as wilderness shall be administered by the Secretary in accordance with the applicable provisions of the Wilderness Act governing areas designated by that title as wilderness, except that any reference in such provision to the effective date of the Wilderness Act shall be deemed to be a reference to the effective date of this title, and where appropriate, and reference to the Secretary of Agriculture shall be deemed to be a reference to the Secretary of the Interior.

TITLE VI--MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS

TRANSFER OF LANDS TO RED ROCK CANYON STATE PARK

SEC. 601. Upon enactment of this title, the Secretary of the Interior shall transfer to the State of California certain lands within the California Desert Conservation Area, California, of the Bureau of Land Management, comprising approximately twenty thousand five hundred acres, as generally depicted on two maps entitled "Red Rock Canyon State Park Additions 1" and "Red Rock Canyon State Park Additions 2", dated May 1991, for inclusion in the State of California Park System. Should the State of California cease to manage

these lands as part of the State Park System, ownership of the lands shall revert to the Department of the Interior to be managed as part of the California Desert Conservation Area to provide maximum protection for the area's scenic and scientific values.

DESERT LILY SANCTUARY

SEC. 602. (a) There is hereby established the Desert Lily Sanctuary within the California Desert Conservation Area, California, of the Bureau of Land Management, comprising approximately two thousand forty acres, as generally depicted on a map entitled "Desert Lily Sanctuary", dated February 1986. The Secretary of the Interior shall administer the area to provide maximum protection to the desert lily.

(b) Subject to valid existing rights, Federal lands within the sanctuary, and interests therein, are withdrawn from disposition under the public land laws and from entry or appropriation under the mining laws of the United States, from the operation of the mineral leasing laws of the United States, and from operation of the Geothermal Steam Act of 1970.

LAND TENURE ADJUSTMENTS

SEC. 603. In preparing land tenure adjustment decisions within the California Desert Conservation Area, of the Bureau of Land Management, the Secretary shall give priority to consolidating Federal ownership within the national park units and wilderness areas designated by this Act.

DISPOSAL PROHIBITION

SEC. 604. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the Secretary of the Interior and the Secretary of Agriculture may not dispose of any lands within the boundaries of the wilderness, parks, or preserve designated under this Act or grant a right-of-way in any lands within the boundaries of the wilderness designated under this Act. Further, none of the lands within the boundaries of the wilderness, parks, or preserve designated under this Act shall be granted to or otherwise made available for use by the Metropolitan Water District and any other agencies or persons pursuant to the Boulder Canyon Project Act (43 U.S.C. 617-619b) or any similar Acts.

MANAGEMENT OF NEWLY ACQUIRED LANDS

SEC. 605. Any lands within the boundaries of a wilderness area designated under this Act which are acquired by the Federal Government shall become part of the wilderness area within which they are located and shall be managed in accordance with all the provisions of this Act and other laws applicable to such wilderness area.

NATIVE AMERICAN USES

SEC. 606. (a) In recognition of the past use of the parks, wilderness, and preserve areas designed under this Act by Indian people for traditional cultural and religious purposes, the Secretary shall ensure access to such parks, wilderness, and preserve areas by Indian people for such traditional cultural and religious purposes. In implementing this section, the Secretary, upon the request of an Indian tribe or Indian religious community, shall temporarily close to the general public use of one or more specific portions of park, wilderness, or preserve areas in order to protect the privacy of traditional cultural and religious activities in such areas by Indian people. Such access shall be consistent with the purpose and intent of Public Law 95-341 (42 U.S.C. 1996) commonly referred to as the "American Indian Religious Freedom Act", and with respect to areas designated as wilderness, the Wilderness Act (78 Stat. 890; 16 U.S.C. 1131).

(b)

- (1) The Secretary, in consultation with the Timbisha Shoshone Tribe and relevant Federal agencies, shall conduct a study, subject to the availability of appropriations, to identify lands suitable for a reservation for the Timbisha Shoshone Tribe that are located within the Tribe's aboriginal homeland area.
- (2) Not later than two years after the date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary shall submit a report to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources and the Committee on Indian Affairs of the Senate, and the Committee on Natural Resources of the House of Representatives on the results of the study conducted under paragraph (1).

WATER RIGHTS

SEC. 607. (a) With respect to each wilderness area designated by this Act, Congress hereby reserves a quantity of water sufficient to fulfill the purposes of this Act. The priority date of such reserved water rights shall be the date of enactment of this Act.

(b) The Secretary of the Interior and all other officers of the United States shall take all steps necessary to protect the rights reserved by this section, including the filing by the Secretary of a claim for the quantification of such rights in any present or future appropriate stream adjudication in the courts of the State of California in which the United States is or may be joined and which is conducted in accordance with section 208 of the Act of July 10, 1952 (66 Stat. 560, 43 U.S.C. 666; commonly referred to as the McCarran Amendment).

(c) Nothing in this Act shall be construed as a relinquishment or reduction of any water rights reserved or appropriated by the United States in the State of California on or before the date of enactment of this Act.

(d) The Federal water rights reserved by this Act are specific to the wilderness areas located in the State of California designated under this Act. Nothing in this Act related to the reserved Federal water rights shall be construed as establishing a precedent with regard to any future designations, nor shall it constitute an interpretation of any other Act or any designation made thereto.

(e) Nothing in this Act shall be construed to affect the operation of federally owned dams located on the Colorado River in the Lower Basin.

(f) Nothing in this Act shall be construed to amend, supersede, or preempt any State law, Federal law, interstate compact, or international treaty pertaining to the Colorado River (including its tributaries) in the Upper Basin, including, but not limited to the appropriation, use, development, storage, regulation, allocation, conservation, exportation, or quality of those rivers.

(g) With respect to the Havasu and Imperial wilderness areas designated by section 111 of title I of this Act, no rights to water of the Colorado River are reserved, either expressly, impliedly, or otherwise.

STATE SCHOOL LANDS

SEC. 608. (a) Upon request of the California State Lands Commission (hereinafter in this section referred to as the "Commission"), the Secretary shall enter into negotiations for an agreement to exchange Federal lands or interests therein on the list referred to in subsection (b)(2) for California State School Lands (hereinafter in this section referred to as "State School Lands") or interests therein which are located within the boundaries of one or more of the wilderness areas or park units designated by this Act.

The Secretary shall negotiate in good faith to reach a land exchange agreement consistent with the requirements of section 206 of the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976.

(b) Within six months after the date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary shall send to the Commission and to the Committees a list of the following:

- (1) The State School Lands or interests therein (including mineral interests) which are located within the boundaries of the wilderness areas or park units designated by this Act.
- (2) Lands under the Secretary's jurisdiction to be offered for exchange, including in the following priority:
 - (A) Lands with mineral interests, including geothermal, which have the potential for commercial development but which are not currently under mineral lease or producing Federal mineral revenues.
 - (B) Federal lands in California managed by the Bureau of Reclamation that the Secretary determines are not needed for any Bureau of Reclamation project.
 - (C) Any public lands in California that the Secretary, pursuant to the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976, has determined to be suitable for disposal through exchange.
- (3) The Secretary may exclude, in his discretion, lands located within, or contiguous to, the exterior boundaries of lands held in trust for a federally recognized Indian tribe located in the State of California.

(c)

- (1) If an agreement under this section is for an exchange involving five thousand acres or less of Federal land or interests therein, or Federal lands valued at less than \$5,000,000, the Secretary may carry out the exchange in accordance with the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976.
- (2) If an agreement under this section is for an exchange involving more than five thousand acres of Federal land or interests therein, or Federal land valued at more than \$5,000,000, the agreement shall be submitted to the Committees, together with a report containing--
 - (A) a complete list and appraisal of the lands or interests in lands proposed for exchange; and
 - (B) a determination that the State School Lands proposed to be acquired by the United States do not contain any hazardous waste, toxic waste, or radioactive waste.

(d) An agreement submitted under subsection (c)(2) shall not take effect unless approved by a joint resolution enacted by the Congress.

(e) If exchanges of all of the State School Lands are not completed by October 1, 2004, the Secretary shall adjust the appraised value of any remaining inholdings consistent with the provisions of section 206 of the Federal Land Management Policy Act of 1976. The Secretary shall establish an account in the name of the Commission in the amount of such appraised value. Title to the State School Lands shall be transferred to the United States at the time such account is credited.

(f) The Commission may use the credit in its account to bid, as any other bidder, for excess or surplus Federal property to be sold in the State of California in accordance with the applicable laws and regulations of the Federal agency offering such property for sale. The account shall be adjusted to reflect successful bids under this section or payments or

forfeited deposits, penalties, or other costs assessed to the bidder in the course of such sales. In the event that the balance in the account has not been reduced to zero by October 1, 2009, there are authorized to be appropriated to the Secretary for payment to the California State Lands Commission funds equivalent to the balance remaining in the account as of October 1, 2009.

(g) As used in this section, the term "Committees" means the Committee on Natural Resources of the House of Representatives and the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources of the Senate.

EXCHANGES

SEC. 609. (a) Upon request of the holder of private lands (hereafter in this section referred to as the "landowner"), the Secretary shall enter into negotiations for an agreement or agreements to exchange Federal lands or interests therein on the list referred to in subsection (b)(2) of this section for lands of the landowner or interests therein which are located within the boundaries of one or more of the wilderness areas or park units designated by this Act.

(b) Within six months after the date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary shall send to the landowner and to the Committees a list of the following:

- (1) Lands of the landowner or interests therein (including mineral interests) which are located within the boundaries of the wilderness areas or park units designated by this Act.
- (2) Lands under the Secretary's jurisdiction to be offered for exchange, in the following priority:
 - (A) Lands, including lands with mineral and geothermal interests, which have the potential for commercial development but which are not currently under lease or producing Federal revenues.
 - (B) Federal lands managed by the Bureau of Reclamation that the Secretary determines are not needed for any Bureau of Reclamation project.
 - (C) Any public lands that the Secretary, pursuant to the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976, has determined to be suitable for disposal through exchange.
- (3) The Secretary may exclude, in his discretion, lands located within, or contiguous to, the exterior boundaries of lands held in trust for a federally recognized Indian tribe located in the State of California.

(c)

- (1) If an agreement under this section is for
 - (A) an exchange involving lands outside the State of California,
 - (B) more than 5,000 acres of Federal land or interests therein in California, or
 - (C) Federal lands in any State valued at more than \$5,000,000, the Secretary shall provide to the Committees a detailed report of each such land exchange agreement.
- (2) All land exchange agreements shall be consistent with the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976.
- (3) Any report submitted to the Committees under this subsection shall include the following:
 - (A) A complete list and appraisal of the lands or interests in land proposed for exchange.

- (B) A complete list of the lands, if any, to be acquired by the United States which contain any hazardous waste, toxic waste, or radioactive waste which requires removal or remedial action under Federal or State law, together with the estimated costs of any such action.

- (4) An agreement under this subsection shall not take effect unless approved by a joint resolution enacted by the Congress.

(d) The Secretary shall provide the California State Lands Commission with a one hundred eighty-day right of first refusal to exchange for any Federal lands or interests therein, located in the State of California, on the list referred to in subsection (b)(2).

Any lands with respect to which a right of first refusal is not noticed within such period or exercised under this subsection shall be available to the landowner for exchange in accordance with this section.

(e) On January 3, 1999, the Secretary shall provide to the Committees a list and appraisal consistent with the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976 of all private lands eligible for exchange under this section for which an exchange has not been completed. With respect to any of such lands for which an exchange has not been completed by October 1, 2004 (hereafter in this section referred to as "remaining lands"), the Secretary shall establish an account in the name of each landowner (hereafter in this section referred to as the "exchange account"). Upon the transfer of title by the landowner to all or a portion of the remaining lands to the United States, the Secretary shall credit the exchange account in the amount of the appraised value of the transferred remaining lands at the time of such transfer.

(f) The landowner may use the credit in its account to bid, as any other bidder, for excess or surplus Federal property to be sold in the State of California in accordance with the applicable laws and regulations of the Federal agency offering such property for sale. The account shall be adjusted to reflect successful bids under this section or payments or forfeited deposits, penalties, or other costs assessed to the bidder in the course of such sales. Upon approval by the Secretary in writing, the credits in the landowner's exchange account may be transferred or sold in whole or in part by the landowner to any other party, thereby vesting such party with all the rights formerly held by the landowner. The exchange account shall be adjusted to reflect successful bids under this section or payments or forfeited deposits, penalties, or other costs assessed to the bidder in the course of such sales.

(g)

- (1) The Secretary shall not accept title pursuant to this section to any lands unless such title includes all right, title, and interest in and to the fee estate.

- (2) Notwithstanding paragraph (1), the Secretary may accept title to any subsurface estate where the United States holds title to the surface estate.

- (3) This subsection does not apply to easements and rights-of-way for utilities or roads.

(h) In no event shall the Secretary accept title under this section to lands which contain any hazardous waste, toxic waste, or radioactive waste which requires removal or remedial action under Federal or State law unless such remedial action has been completed prior to the transfer.

(i) For purposes of the section, any appraisal shall be consistent with the provisions of section 206 of the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976.

(j) As used in this section, the term "Committees" means the Committee on Natural Resources of the House of Representatives and the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources of the Senate.

TITLE VII--DEFINITIONS AND AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS

DEFINITIONS

SEC. 701. For the purposes of this Act:

- (1) The term "Secretary", unless specifically designated otherwise, means the Secretary of the Interior.
- (2) The term "public lands" means any land and interest in land owned by the United States and administered by the Secretary of the Interior through the Bureau of Land Management.

AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS

SEC. 702. There are hereby authorized to be appropriated to the National Park Service and Bureau of Land Management to carry out the purposes of this Act an amount not to exceed \$36,000,000 over and above that provided in fiscal year 1994 for additional administrative and construction costs over the fiscal year 1995-1999 period and \$300,000,000 for all land acquisition costs. No funds in excess of these amounts may be used for construction, administration, or land acquisition authorized under this Act without a specific authorization in an Act of Congress enacted after the date of enactment of this Act.

LAND APPRAISAL

SEC. 703. Lands and interests in lands acquired pursuant to this Act shall be appraised without regard to the presence of a species listed as threatened or endangered pursuant to the Endangered Species Act of 1973 (16 U.S.C. 1531 et seq.).

TITLE VIII--CALIFORNIA MILITARY LANDS WITHDRAWAL.

SEC. 801. SHORT TITLE AND FINDINGS.

(a) SHORT TITLE.--This title may be cited as the "California Military Lands Withdrawal and Overflights Act of 1994".

(b) FINDINGS.--The Congress finds that--

- (1) the Federal lands within the desert regions of California have provided essential opportunities for military training, research, and development for the Armed Forces of the United States and allied nations;
- (2) alternative sites for military training and other military activities carried out on Federal lands in the California desert area are not readily available;
- (3) while changing world conditions have lessened to some extent the immediacy of military threats to the national security of the United States and its allies, there remains a need for military training, research, and development activities of the types that have been carried out on Federal lands in the California desert area; and
- (4) continuation of existing military training, research, and development activities, under appropriate terms and conditions, is not incompatible with the protection and proper management of the natural, environmental, cultural, and other resources and values of the Federal lands in the California desert area.

SEC. 802. WITHDRAWALS.

(a) CHINA LAKE.--

•(1) Subject to valid existing rights and except as otherwise provided in this title, the Federal lands referred to in paragraph (2), and all other areas within the boundary of such lands as depicted on the map specified in such paragraph which may become subject to the operation of the public land laws, are hereby withdrawn from all forms of appropriation under the public land laws (including the mining laws and the mineral leasing laws). Such lands are reserved for use by the Secretary of the Navy for--

- (A) use as a research, development, test, and evaluation laboratory;
- (B) use as a range for air warfare weapons and weapon systems;
- (C) use as a high hazard training area for aerial gunnery, rocketry, electronic warfare and countermeasures, tactical maneuvering and air support; and
- (D) subject to the requirements of section 804(f), other defense-related purposes consistent with the purposes specified in this paragraph.

•(2) The lands referred to in paragraph (1) are the Federal lands, located within the boundaries of the China Lake Naval Weapons Center, comprising approximately 1,100,000 acres in Inyo, Kern, and San Bernardino Counties, California, as generally depicted on a map entitled "China Lake Naval Weapons Center Withdrawal--Proposed", dated January 1985, and filed in accordance with section 803.

(b) CHOCOLATE MOUNTAIN.--

•(1) Subject to valid existing rights and except as otherwise provided in this title, the Federal lands referred to in paragraph (2), and all other areas within the boundary of such lands as depicted on the map specified in such paragraph which may become subject to the operation of the public land laws, are hereby withdrawn from all forms of appropriation under the public land laws (including the mining laws and the mineral leasing and the geothermal leasing laws). Such lands are reserved for use by the Secretary of the Navy for--

- (A) testing and training for aerial bombing, missile firing, tactical maneuvering and air support; and
- (B) subject to the provisions of section 804(f), other defense-related purposes consistent with the purposes specified in this paragraph.

•(2) The lands referred to in paragraph (1) are the Federal lands comprising approximately 226,711 acres in Imperial County, California, as generally depicted on a map entitled "Chocolate Mountain Aerial Gunnery Range Proposed--Withdrawal" dated July 1993 and filed in accordance with section 803.

(c) EL CENTRO RANGES.--

•(1) Subject to valid existing rights, and except as otherwise provided in this title, the Federal lands referred to in paragraph (2), and all other areas within the boundaries of such lands as depicted on the map specified in such paragraph which may become subject to the operation of the public land laws, are hereby withdrawn from all forms of appropriation under the public land laws (including the mining laws) but not the mineral or geothermal leasing laws. Such lands are reserved for use by the Secretary of the Navy for--

- (A) defense-related purposes in accordance with the Memorandum of Understanding dated June 29, 1987, between the Bureau of Land Management, the Bureau of Reclamation, and the Department of the Navy; and
- (B) subject to the provisions of section 804(f), other defense-related purposes consistent with the purposes specified in this paragraph.

- (2) The lands referred to in paragraph (1) are the Federal lands comprising approximately 46,600 acres in Imperial County, California, as generally depicted on a map entitled "Exhibit A, Naval Air Facility, El Centro, California, Land Acquisition Map, Range 2510 (West Mesa) dated March 1993 and a map entitled "Exhibit B, Naval Air Facility, El Centro, California, Land Acquisition Map Range 2512 (East Mesa)" dated March 1993.

SEC. 803. MAPS AND LEGAL DESCRIPTIONS.

(a) PUBLICATION AND FILING REQUIREMENT.--As soon as practicable after the date of enactment of this title, the Secretary of the Interior shall--

- (1) publish in the Federal Register a notice containing the legal description of the lands withdrawn and reserved by this title; and
- (2) file maps and the legal description of the lands withdrawn and reserved by this title with the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources of the United States Senate and with the Committee on Natural Resources of the United States House of Representatives.

(b) TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS.--Such maps and legal descriptions shall have the same force and effect as if they were included in this title except that the Secretary of the Interior may correct clerical and typographical errors in such maps and legal descriptions.

(c) AVAILABILITY FOR PUBLIC INSPECTION.--Copies of such maps and legal descriptions shall be available for public inspection in the Office of the Director of the Bureau of Land Management, Washington, District of Columbia; the Office of the Director, California State Office of the Bureau of Land Management, Sacramento, California; the office of the commander of the Naval Weapons Center, China Lake, California; the office of the commanding officer, Marine Corps Air Station, Yuma, Arizona; and the Office of the Secretary of Defense, Washington, District of Columbia.

(d) REIMBURSEMENT.--The Secretary of Defense shall reimburse the Secretary of the Interior for the cost of implementing this section.

SEC. 804. MANAGEMENT OF WITHDRAWN LANDS.

(a) MANAGEMENT BY THE SECRETARY OF THE INTERIOR.--

- (1) Except as provided in subsection (g), during the period of the withdrawal the Secretary of the Interior shall manage the lands withdrawn under section 802 pursuant to the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976 (43 U.S.C. 1701 et seq.) and other applicable law, including this Act.
- (2) To the extent consistent with applicable law and Executive orders, the lands withdrawn under section 802 may be managed in a manner permitting--
 - (A) the continuation of grazing pursuant to applicable law and Executive orders where permitted on the date of enactment of this title;
 - (B) protection of wildlife and wildlife habitat;
 - (C) control of predatory and other animals;
 - (D) recreation (but only on lands withdrawn by section 802(a) (relating to China Lake));
 - (E) the prevention and appropriate suppression of brush and range fires resulting from nonmilitary activities; and
 - (F) geothermal leasing and development and related power production activities on the lands withdrawn under section 802(a) (relating to China Lake).

•(3) •(A) All nonmilitary use of such lands, including the uses described in paragraph (2), shall be subject to such conditions and restrictions as may be necessary to permit the military use of such lands for the purposes specified in or authorized pursuant to this title.

•(B) The Secretary of the Interior may issue any lease, easement, right-of-way, or other authorization with respect to the nonmilitary use of such lands only with the concurrence of the Secretary of the Navy.

(b) CLOSURE TO PUBLIC.--

•(1) If the Secretary of the Navy determines that military operations, public safety, or national security require the closure to public use of any road, trail, or other portion of the lands withdrawn by this title, the Secretary may take such action as the Secretary determines necessary or desirable to effect and maintain such closure.

•(2) Any such closure shall be limited to the minimum areas and periods which the Secretary of the Navy determines are required to carry out this subsection.

•(3) Before and during any closure under this subsection, the Secretary of the Navy shall--

•(A) keep appropriate warning notices posted; and

•(B) take appropriate steps to notify the public concerning such closures.

(c) MANAGEMENT PLAN.--The Secretary of the Interior (after consultation with the Secretary of the Navy) shall develop a plan for the management of each area withdrawn under section 802 during the period of such withdrawal. Each plan shall--

•(1) be consistent with applicable law;

•(2) be subject to conditions and restrictions specified in subsection (a)(3);

•(3) include such provisions as may be necessary for proper management and protection of the resources and values of such area; and

•(4) be developed not later than three years after the date of enactment of this title.

(d) BRUSH AND RANGE FIRES.--The Secretary of the Navy shall take necessary precautions to prevent and suppress brush and range fires occurring within and outside the lands withdrawn under section 802 as a result of military activities and may seek assistance from the Bureau of Land Management in the suppression of such fires. The memorandum of understanding required by subsection (e) shall provide for Bureau of Land Management assistance in the suppression of such fires, and for a transfer of funds from the Department of the Navy to the Bureau of Land Management as compensation for such assistance.

(e) MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING.--

•(1) The Secretary of the Interior and the Secretary of the Navy shall (with respect to each land withdrawal under section 802) enter into a memorandum of understanding to implement the management plan developed under subsection (c). Any such memorandum of understanding shall provide that the Director of the Bureau of Land Management shall provide assistance in the suppression of fires resulting from the military use of lands withdrawn under section 802 if requested by the Secretary of the Navy.

•(2) The duration of any such memorandum shall be the same as the period of the withdrawal of the lands under section 802.

(f) ADDITIONAL MILITARY USES.--Lands withdrawn by section 802 may be used for defense-related uses other than those specified in such section. The Secretary of Defense shall promptly notify the Secretary of the Interior in the event that the lands withdrawn by this title will be used for defense-related purposes other than those specified in section

802. Such notification shall indicate the additional use or uses involved, the proposed duration of such uses, and the extent to which such additional military uses of the withdrawn lands will require that additional or more stringent conditions or restrictions be imposed on otherwise-permitted nonmilitary uses of the withdrawn land or portions thereof.

(g) MANAGEMENT OF CHINA LAKE.--

- (1) The Secretary of the Interior may assign the management responsibility for the lands withdrawn under section 802(a) to the Secretary of the Navy who shall manage such lands, and issue leases, easements, rights-of-way, and other authorizations, in accordance with this title and cooperative management arrangements between the Secretary of the Interior and the Secretary of the Navy. In the case that the Secretary of the Interior assigns such management responsibility to the Secretary of the Navy before the development of the management plan under subsection (c), the Secretary of the Navy (after consultation with the Secretary of the Interior) shall develop such management plan. Nothing in this title shall affect geothermal leases issued by the Secretary of the Interior prior to the date of enactment of this title or the responsibility of the Secretary to administer and manage such leases consistent with the provisions of this title.
- (2) The Secretary of the Interior shall be responsible for the issuance of any lease, easement, right-of-way, and other authorization with respect to any activity which involves both the lands withdrawn under section 802(a) and any other lands. Any such authorization shall be issued only with the consent of the Secretary of the Navy and, to the extent that such activity involves lands withdrawn under section 802(a), shall be subject to such conditions as the Secretary of the Navy may prescribe.
- (3) The Secretary of the Navy shall prepare and submit to the Secretary of the Interior an annual report on the status of the natural and cultural resources and values of the lands withdrawn under section 802(a). The Secretary of the Interior shall transmit such report to the Committee on Natural Resources of the House of Representatives and the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources of the Senate.
- (4) The Secretary of the Navy shall be responsible for the management of wild horses and burros located on the lands withdrawn under section 802(a) and may utilize helicopters and motorized vehicles for such purposes. Such management shall be in accordance with laws applicable to such management on public lands and with an appropriate memorandum of understanding between the Secretary of the Interior and the Secretary of the Navy.
- (5) Neither this Act nor any other provision of law shall be construed to prohibit the Secretary of the Interior from issuing and administering any lease for the development and utilization of geothermal steam and associated geothermal resources on the lands withdrawn under section 802(a) pursuant to the Geothermal Steam Act of 1970 (30 U.S.C. 1001 et seq.) and other applicable law, but no such lease shall be issued without the concurrence of the Secretary of the Navy.
- (6) This title shall not affect the geothermal exploration and development authority of the Secretary of the Navy under section 2689 of title 10, United States Code, except that the Secretary of the Navy shall obtain the concurrence of the Secretary of the Interior before taking action under that section with respect to the lands withdrawn under section 802(a).
- (7) Upon the expiration of the withdrawal made by subsection (a) of section 802 or relinquishment of the lands withdrawn by that subsection, Navy contracts for the development of geothermal resources at China Lake then in effect (including amendments or renewals by the Navy after the date of enactment of this Act) shall remain in effect:

Provided, That the Secretary of the Interior, with the consent of the Secretary of the Navy, may offer to substitute a standard geothermal lease for any such contract.

(h) MANAGEMENT OF EL CENTRO RANGES.--To the extent consistent with this title, the lands and minerals within the areas described in section 802(c) shall be managed in accordance with the Cooperative Agreement entered into between the Bureau of Land Management, Bureau of Reclamation, and the Department of the Navy, dated June 29, 1987.

SEC. 805. DURATION OF WITHDRAWALS.

(a) DURATION.--The withdrawal and reservation established by this title shall terminate 15 years after the date of enactment of this Act.

(b) DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT.--No later than 12 years after the date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary of the Navy shall publish a draft environmental impact statement concerning continued or renewed withdrawal of any portion of the lands withdrawn by this title for which that Secretary intends to seek such continued or renewed withdrawal. Such draft environmental impact statement shall be consistent with the requirements of the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (42 U.S.C. 4321 et seq.) applicable to such a draft environmental impact statement. Prior to the termination date specified in subsection (a), the Secretary of the Navy shall hold a public hearing on any draft environmental impact statement published pursuant to this subsection. Such hearing shall be held in the State of California in order to receive public comments on the alternatives and other matters included in such draft environmental impact statement.

(c) EXTENSIONS OR RENEWALS.--The withdrawals established by this title may not be extended or renewed except by an Act or joint resolution.

SEC. 806. ONGOING DECONTAMINATION.

(a) PROGRAM.--Throughout the duration of the withdrawals made by this title, the Secretary of the Navy, to the extent funds are made available, shall maintain a program of decontamination of lands withdrawn by this title at least at the level of decontamination activities performed on such lands in fiscal year 1986.

(b) REPORTS.--At the same time as the President transmits to the Congress the President's proposed budget for the first fiscal year beginning after the date of enactment of this Act and for each subsequent fiscal year, the Secretary of the Navy shall transmit to the Committees on Appropriations, Armed Services, and Energy and Natural Resources of the Senate and to the Committees on Appropriations, Armed Services, and Natural Resources of the House of Representatives a description of the decontamination efforts undertaken during the previous fiscal year on such lands and the decontamination activities proposed for such lands during the next fiscal year including:

- (1) amounts appropriated and obligated or expended for decontamination of such lands;
- (2) the methods used to decontaminate such lands;
- (3) amount and types of contaminants removed from such lands;
- (4) estimated types and amounts of residual contamination on such lands; and
- (5) an estimate of the costs for full decontamination of such lands and the estimate of the time to complete such decontamination.

SEC. 807. REQUIREMENTS FOR RENEWAL.

(a) NOTICE AND FILING.--

- (1) No later than three years prior to the termination of the withdrawal and reservation established by this title, the Secretary of the Navy shall advise the Secretary of the Interior as to whether or not the Secretary of the Navy will have a continuing military need for any of the lands withdrawn under section 802 after the termination date of such withdrawal and reservation.

- (2) If the Secretary of the Navy concludes that there will be a continuing military need for any of such lands after the termination date, the Secretary shall file an application for extension of the withdrawal and reservation of such needed lands in accordance with the regulations and procedures of the Department of the Interior applicable to the extension of withdrawals of lands for military uses.

- (3) If, during the period of withdrawal and reservation, the Secretary of the Navy decides to relinquish all or any of the lands withdrawn and reserved by this title, the Secretary shall file a notice of intention to relinquish with the Secretary of the Interior.

(b) CONTAMINATION.--

- (1) Before transmitting a notice of intention to relinquish pursuant to subsection (a), the Secretary of Defense, acting through the Department of Navy, shall prepare a written determination concerning whether and to what extent the lands that are to be relinquished are contaminated with explosive, toxic, or other hazardous materials.

- (2) A copy of such determination shall be transmitted with the notice of intention to relinquish.

- (3) Copies of both the notice of intention to relinquish and the determination concerning the contaminated state of the lands shall be published in the Federal Register by the Secretary of the Interior.

(c) DECONTAMINATION.--If any land which is the subject of a notice of intention to relinquish pursuant to subsection (a) is contaminated, and the Secretary of the Interior, in consultation with the Secretary of the Navy, determines that decontamination is practicable and economically feasible (taking into consideration the potential future use and value of the land) and that upon decontamination, the land could be opened to operation of some or all of the public land laws, including the mining laws, the Secretary of the Navy shall decontaminate the land to the extent that funds are appropriated for such purpose.

(d) ALTERNATIVES.--If the Secretary of the Interior, after consultation with the Secretary of the Navy, concludes that decontamination of any land which is the subject of a notice of intention to relinquish pursuant to subsection (a) is not practicable or economically feasible, or that the land cannot be decontaminated sufficiently to be opened to operation of some or all of the public land laws, or if Congress does not appropriate a sufficient amount of funds for the decontamination of such land, the Secretary of the Interior shall not be required to accept the land proposed for relinquishment.

(e) STATUS OF CONTAMINATED LANDS.--If, because of their contaminated state, the Secretary of the Interior declines to accept jurisdiction over lands withdrawn by this title which have been proposed for relinquishment, or if at the expiration of the withdrawal made by this title the Secretary of the Interior determines that some of the lands withdrawn by this title are contaminated to an extent which prevents opening such contaminated lands to operation of the public land laws--

- (1) the Secretary of the Navy shall take appropriate steps to warn the public of the contaminated state of such lands and any risks associated with entry onto such lands;

- (2) after the expiration of the withdrawal, the Secretary of the Navy shall undertake no activities on such lands except in connection with decontamination of such lands; and
- (3) the Secretary of the Navy shall report to the Secretary of the Interior and to the Congress concerning the status of such lands and all actions taken in furtherance of this subsection.

(f) REVOCATION AUTHORITY.--Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the Secretary of the Interior, upon deciding that it is in the public interest to accept jurisdiction over lands proposed for relinquishment pursuant to subsection (a), is authorized to revoke the withdrawal and reservation established by this title as it applies to such lands. Should the decision be made to revoke the withdrawal and reservation, the Secretary of the Interior shall publish in the Federal Register an appropriate order which shall--

- (1) terminate the withdrawal and reservation;
- (2) constitute official acceptance of full jurisdiction over the lands by the Secretary of the Interior; and
- (3) state the date upon which the lands will be opened to the operation of some or all of the public lands laws, including the mining laws.

SEC. 808. DELEGABILITY.

(a) DEFENSE.--The functions of the Secretary of Defense or the Secretary of the Navy under this title may be delegated.

(b) INTERIOR.--The functions of the Secretary of the Interior under this title may be delegated, except that an order described in section 807(f) may be approved and signed only by the Secretary of the Interior, the Under Secretary of the Interior, or an Assistant Secretary of the Department of the Interior.

SEC. 809. HUNTING, FISHING, AND TRAPPING.

All hunting, fishing, and trapping on the lands withdrawn by this title shall be conducted in accordance with the provisions of section 2671 of title 10, United States Code.

SEC. 810. IMMUNITY OF UNITED STATES.

The United States and all departments or agencies thereof shall be held harmless and shall not be liable for any injury or damage to persons or property suffered in the course of any geothermal leasing or other authorized nonmilitary activity conducted on lands described in section 802 of this title.

SEC. 811. MILITARY OVERFLIGHTS.

(a) EFFECT OF ACT.--

- (1) Nothing in this Act shall be construed to--
 - (A) restrict or preclude continuation of low-level military overflights, including those on existing flight training routes; or
 - (B) affect the designation of new units of special airspace or the establishment of new flight training routes, over the lands designated by this Act for inclusion within new or expanded units of the National Park System or National Wilderness Preservation System.
- (2) Nothing in this Act shall be construed as requiring revision of existing policies or procedures applicable to the designation of units of special airspace or the establishment of flight training routes over any Federal lands affected by this Act.

(b) MONITORING.--The Secretary of the Interior and the Secretary of Defense shall monitor the effects of military overflights on the resources and values of the units of the National Park System and National Wilderness Preservation System designated or expanded by this Act, and shall attempt, consistent with national security needs, to resolve concerns related to such overflights and to avoid or minimize adverse impacts on resources and values and visitor safety associated with such overflight activities.

SEC. 812. TERMINATION OF PRIOR RECLAMATION WITHDRAWALS.

Except to the extent that existing Bureau of Reclamation withdrawals of public lands were identified for continuation in Federal Register Notice Document 92-4838 (57 Federal Register 7599, March 3, 1992), as amended by Federal Register Correction Notices (57 Federal Register 19135, May 4, 1992; 57 Federal Register 19163, May 4, 1992; and 58 Federal Register 30181, May 26, 1993), all existing Bureau of Reclamation withdrawals made by Secretarial Orders and Public Land Orders affecting public lands and Indian lands located within the California Desert Conservation Area established pursuant to section 601 of the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976 are hereby terminated.

TITLE IX--BUY AMERICAN ACT.

SEC. 901. COMPLIANCE WITH BUY AMERICAN ACT.

None of the funds made available in this Act may be expended in violation of sections 2 through 4 of the Act of March 3, 1933 (41 U.c, popularly known as the "Buy American Act"), which are applicable to those funds.

TITLE X--PROTECTION OF BODIE BOWL.

SEC. 1001. SHORT TITLE.

This title may be cited as the "Bodie Protection Act of 1994".

SEC. 1002. FINDINGS.

The Congress finds that--

- (1) the historic Bodie gold mining district in the State of California is the site of the largest and best preserved authentic ghost town in the western United States;
- (2) the Bodie Bowl area contains important natural, historical, and aesthetic resources;
- (3) Bodie was designated a National Historical Landmark in 1961 and a California State Historic Park in 1962, is listed on the National Register of Historic Places, and is included in the Federal Historic American Buildings Survey;
- (4) nearly 200,000 persons visit Bodie each year, providing the local economy with important annual tourism revenues;
- (5) the town of Bodie is threatened by proposals to explore and extract minerals: mining in the Bodie Bowl area may have adverse physical and aesthetic impacts on Bodie's historical integrity, cultural values, and ghosttown character as well as on its recreational values and the area's flora and fauna;
- (6) the California State Legislature, on September 4, 1990, requested the President and the Congress to direct the Secretary of the Interior to protect the ghosttown character, ambience, historic buildings, and scenic attributes of the town of Bodie and nearby areas;
- (7) the California State Legislature also requested the Secretary, if necessary to protect the Bodie Bowl area, to withdraw the Federal lands within the area from all forms of mineral entry and patent;

- (8) the National Park Service listed Bodie as a priority one endangered National Historic Landmark in its fiscal year 1990 and 1991 report to Congress entitled "Threatened and Damaged National Historic Landmarks" and recommended protection of the Bodie area; and

- (9) it is necessary and appropriate to provide that all Federal lands within the Bodie Bowl area are not subject to location, entry, and patent under the mining laws of the United States, subject to valid existing rights, and to direct the Secretary to consult with the Governor of the State of California before approving any mining activity plan within the Bodie Bowl.

SEC. 1003. DEFINITIONS.

For purposes of this title:

- (1) The term "Bodie Bowl" means the Federal lands and interests in lands within the area generally depicted on the map referred to in section 1004(a).
- (2) The term "mineral activities" means any activity involving mineral prospecting, exploration, extraction, milling, beneficiation, processing, and reclamation.
- (3) The term "Secretary" means the Secretary of the Interior.

SEC. 1004. APPLICABILITY OF MINERAL MINING, LEASING AND DISPOSAL LAWS.

(a) RESTRICTION.--Subject to valid existing rights, after the date of enactment of this title Federal lands and interests in lands within the area generally depicted on the map entitled "Bodie Bowl" and dated June 12, 1992, shall not be--

- (1) open to the entry or location of mining and mill site claims under the general mining laws of the United States;
- (2) subject to any lease under the Mineral Leasing Act (30 U.S.C. 181 and following) or the Geothermal Steam Act of 1970 (30 U.S.C. 100 and following), for lands within the Bodie Bowl; and
- (3) available for disposal of mineral materials under the Act of July 31, 1947, commonly known as the Materials Act of 1947 (30 U.S.C. 601 and following).

Such map shall be on file and available for public inspection in the Office of the Secretary, and appropriate offices of the Bureau of Land Management and the National Park Service. As soon as practicable after the date of enactment of this title, the Secretary shall publish a legal description of the Bodie Bowl area in the Federal Register.

(b) VALID EXISTING RIGHTS.--As used in this subsection, the term "valid existing rights" in reference to the general mining laws means that a mining claim located on lands within the Bodie Bowl was properly located and maintained under the general mining laws prior to the date of enactment of this title, was supported by a discovery of a valuable mineral deposit within the meaning of the general mining laws on the date of enactment of this title, and that such claim continues to be valid.

(c) VALIDITY REVIEW.--The Secretary shall undertake an expedited program to determine the validity of all unpatented mining claims located within the Bodie Bowl. The expedited program shall include an examination of all unpatented mining claims, including those for which a patent application has not been filed. If a claim is determined to be invalid, the Secretary shall promptly declare the claim to be null and void, except that the Secretary shall not challenge the validity of any claim located within the Bodie Bowl for the failure to do assessment work for any period after the date of enactment of this title. The Secretary

shall make a determination with respect to the validity of each claim referred to under this subsection within 2 years after the date of enactment of this title.

(d) LIMITATION ON PATENT ISSUANCE.--

•(1) MINING CLAIMS.--

•(A) After January 11, 1993, no patent shall be issued by the United States for any mining claim located under the general mining laws within the Bodie Bowl unless the Secretary determines that, for the claim concerned--

•(i) a patent application was filed with the Secretary on or before such date; and

•(ii) all requirements established under sections 2325 and 2326 of the Revised Statutes (30 U.S.C. 29 and 30) for vein or lode claims and sections 2329, 2330, 2331, and 2333 of the Revised Statutes (30 U.S.C. 35, 36, 37) for placer claims were fully complied with by that date.

•(B) If the Secretary makes the determinations referred to in subparagraph (A) for any mining claim, the holder of the claim shall be entitled to the issuance of a patent in the same manner and degree to which such claim holder would have been entitled to prior to the enactment of this title, unless and until such determinations are withdrawn or invalidated by the Secretary or by a court of the United States.

•(2) MILL SITE CLAIMS.--

•(A) After January 11, 1993, no patent shall be issued by the United States for any mill site claim located under the general mining laws within the Bodie Bowl unless the Secretary determines that, for the claim concerned--

•(i) a patent application was filed with the Secretary on or before January 11, 1993; and

•(ii) all requirements applicable to such patent application were fully complied with by that date.

•(B) If the Secretary makes the determinations referred to in subparagraph (A) for any mill site claim, the holder of the claim shall be entitled to the issuance of a patent in the same manner and degree to which such claim holder would have been entitled to prior to the enactment of this title, unless and until such determinations are withdrawn or invalidated by the Secretary or by a court of the United States.

SEC. 1005. MINERAL ACTIVITIES.

(a) IN GENERAL.--Notwithstanding the last sentence of section 302(b) of the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976, and in accordance with this title and other applicable law, the Secretary shall require that mineral activities be conducted in the Bodie Bowl so as to--

•(1) avoid adverse effects on the historic, cultural, recreational and natural resource values of the Bodie Bowl; and

•(2) minimize other adverse impacts to the environment.

(b) RESTORATION OF EFFECTS OF MINING EXPLORATION.--As soon as possible after the date of enactment of this title, visible evidence or other effects of mining exploration activity within the Bodie Bowl conducted on or after September 1, 1988, shall be reclaimed by the operator in accordance with regulations prescribed pursuant to subsection (d).

(c) ANNUAL EXPENDITURES; FILING.--The requirements for annual expenditures on unpatented mining claims imposed by Revised Statute 2324 (30 U.S.C. 28) shall not apply to any such claim located within the Bodie Bowl. In lieu of filing the affidavit of assessment

work referred to under section 314(a)(1) of the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976 (43 U.S.C. 1744(a)(1)), the holder of any unpatented mining or mill site claim located within the Bodie Bowl shall only be required to file the notice of intention to hold the mining claim referred to in such section 314(a)(1).

(d) REGULATIONS.--The Secretary shall promulgate rules to implement this section, in consultation with the Governor of the State of California, within 180 days after the date of enactment of this title. Such rules shall be no less stringent than the rules promulgated pursuant to the Act of September 28, 1976 entitled "An Act to provide for the regulation of mining activity within, and to repeal the application of mining laws to, areas of the National Park System, and for other purposes" (Public Law 94-429; 16 U.S.C. 1901- 1912).

SEC. 1006. STUDY.

Beginning as soon as possible after the date of enactment of this title, the Secretary of the Interior shall review possible actions to preserve the scenic character, historical integrity, cultural and recreational values, flora and fauna, and ghost town characteristics of lands and structures within the Bodie Bowl. No later than 3 years after the date of such enactment, the Secretary shall submit to the Committee on Natural Resources of the United States House of Representatives and the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources of the United States Senate a report that discusses the results of such review and makes recommendations as to which steps (including but not limited to acquisition of lands or valid mining claims) should be undertaken in order to achieve these objectives.

Amend the title so as to read: "An Act to designate certain lands in the California Desert as wilderness, to establish the Death Valley and Joshua Tree National Parks and the Mojave National Monument, and for other purposes."

Attest: Clerk.