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H. R. 3944

To provide for a demonstration program to develop and implement special management practices for certain National Forest System lands.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MARCH 2, 1994

Mr. LaRocco (for himself, Mr. Fazio, and Ms. English of Arizona) introduced the following bill; which was referred jointly to the Committees on Natural Resources and Agriculture

A BILL

To provide for a demonstration program to develop and implement special management practices for certain National Forest System lands.

- 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-
- 2 tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,
- 3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**
- 4 This Act may be cited as the "Stewardship End-Re-
- 5 sult Contracts Demonstration Act".
- 6 SEC. 2. DEMONSTRATION PROGRAM FOR THE SPECIAL USE
- 7 **OF TIMBER REVENUES.**
- 8 (a) Demonstration Program.—The Secretary of
- 9 Agriculture may carry out a demonstration program on

- 1 National Forest System lands described in subsection (b)
- 2 to develop and implement management practices that are
- 3 ecosystem based and end-result oriented. The Secretary
- 4 shall carry out the demonstration program through the of-
- 5 ficers of the Forest Service in charge of the National For-
- 6 est System lands described in such subsection.
- 7 (b) APPLICABILITY.—The demonstration program
- 8 shall apply to the management of the following projects
- 9 on National Forest System lands:
- 10 (1) The Priest Lake District project, Idaho
- 11 Panhandle National Forest.
- 12 (2) The Angora project, Lake Tahoe Basin
- 13 Management Unit.
- 14 (3) The Kendrick project, Coconino National
- Forest.
- 16 (c) AUTHORIZATION.—Under the demonstration pro-
- 17 gram, the Secretary of Agriculture may apply the value,
- 18 or a portion of the value, of timber removed under a stew-
- 19 ardship end-result contract as an offset against the cost
- 20 of stewardship services received, including site prepara-
- 21 tion, replanting, silviculture programs, recreation, wildlife
- 22 habitat enhancement, and other multiple-use enhance-
- 23 ments.
- 24 (d) COMPLIANCE WITH ENVIRONMENTAL REQUIRE-
- 25 MENTS.—Nothing in this Act shall be construed to alter

- 1 the responsibility of the Secretary to comply with environ-
- 2 mental laws applicable to the lands of the National Forest
- 3 System described in subsection (b).
- 4 (e) Expiration of Authority.—The authority pro-
- 5 vided in subsection (c) shall expire on December 31, 1994.

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