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To establish wilderness areas, promote conservation, improve public land, and provide for high quality development in Clark County, Nevada, and for other purposes.

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Mr. REID (for himself and Mr. ENSIGN) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources

A BILL

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE; TABLE OF CONTENTS.**

4 (a) **SHORT TITLE.**—This Act may be cited as the
5 “Clark County Conservation of Public Land and Natural
6 Resources Act of 2002”.

7 (b) **TABLE OF CONTENTS.**—The table of contents of
8 this Act is as follows:

Sec. 1. Short title; table of contents.

Sec. 2. Definitions.

TITLE I—RED ROCK CANYON NATIONAL CONSERVATION AREA
LAND EXCHANGE AND BOUNDARY ADJUSTMENT

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- Sec. 601. Short title.
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- Sec. 603. Definitions.
- Sec. 604. Establishment.
- Sec. 605. Management.
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- Sec. 702. Conveyance to the University of Nevada at Las Vegas Research Foundation.
- Sec. 703. Conveyance to the Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department.

Sec. 704. Conveyance to the city of Henderson for the Nevada State College at Henderson.

Sec. 705. Conveyance to the city of Las Vegas, Nevada.

Sec. 706. Henderson Economic Development Zone.

Sec. 707. Conveyance of Sunrise Mountain landfill to Clark County, Nevada.

Sec. 708. Open space land grants.

Sec. 709. Relocation of right-of-way corridor located in Clark and Lincoln Counties in the State of Nevada.

1 **SEC. 2. DEFINITIONS.**

2 In this Act:

3 (1) AGREEMENT.—The term “Agreement”
4 means the Agreement entitled “Interim Cooperative
5 Management Agreement Between the United States
6 Department of the Interior-Bureau of Land Man-
7 agement and Clark County”, dated November 4,
8 1992.

9 (2) COUNTY.—The term “County” means Clark
10 County, Nevada.

11 (3) SECRETARY.—The term “Secretary”
12 means—

13 (A) in the case of land in the National
14 Forest System, the Secretary of Agriculture;
15 and

16 (B) in the case of land not in the National
17 Forest System, the Secretary of the Interior.

18 (4) STATE.—The term “State” means the State
19 of Nevada.

1 **TITLE I—RED ROCK CANYON NA-**
2 **TIONAL CONSERVATION AREA**
3 **LAND EXCHANGE AND**
4 **BOUNDARY ADJUSTMENT**

5 **SEC. 101. SHORT TITLE.**

6 This title may be cited as the “Red Rock Canyon Na-
7 tional Conservation Area Protection and Enhancement
8 Act of 2002”.

9 **SEC. 102. FINDINGS AND PURPOSES.**

10 (a) FINDINGS.—Congress finds that—

11 (1) the Red Rock Canyon National Conserva-
12 tion Area is a natural resource of major significance
13 to the people of the State and the United States,
14 and must be protected and enhanced for the enjoy-
15 ment of future generations;

16 (2) in 1990, Congress enacted the Southern
17 Red Rock Canyon National Conservation Area Es-
18 tablishment Act of 1990 (16 U.S.C. 460ccc et seq.),
19 which provides for the protection and enhancement
20 of the conservation area;

21 (3) the Howard Hughes Corporation, which
22 owns much of the private land outside the eastern
23 boundary of the conservation area, is developing a
24 large-scale master-planned community on the land;

1 (4) included in the land holdings of the Cor-
2 poration are 1,087 acres of high-ground land adja-
3 cent to the eastern edge of the conservation area
4 that were originally intended to be included in the
5 conservation area, but as of the date of enactment
6 of this Act, have not been acquired by the United
7 States;

8 (5) the protection of the high-ground land
9 would preserve an important element of the western
10 Las Vegas Valley viewshed; and

11 (6) the Corporation is willing to convey title to
12 the high-ground land to the United States so that
13 the land can be preserved to protect and expand the
14 boundaries of the conservation area.

15 (b) PURPOSES.—The purposes of this title are—

16 (1) to authorize the United States to exchange
17 Federal land for the non-Federal land of the Cor-
18 poration referred to in subsection (a)(6);

19 (2) to protect and enhance the conservation
20 area;

21 (3) to expand the boundaries of the conserva-
22 tion area; and

23 (4) to carry out the purposes of—

1 (A) the Red Rock Canyon National Con-
2 servation Area Establishment Act of 1990 (16
3 U.S.C. 460ccc et seq.); and

4 (B) the Southern Nevada Public Land
5 Management Act of 1998 (Public Law 105-
6 263; 112 Stat. 2343).

7 **SEC. 103. DEFINITIONS.**

8 In this title:

9 (1) CONSERVATION AREA.—The term “con-
10 servation area” means the Red Rock Canyon Na-
11 tional Conservation Area established by section 3(a)
12 of the Red Rock Canyon National Conservation Area
13 Establishment Act of 1990 (16 U.S.C. 460ccc-1(a)).

14 (2) CORPORATION.—The term “Corporation”
15 means the Howard Hughes Corporation, an affiliate
16 of the Rouse Company, which has its principal place
17 of business at 10000 West Charleston Boulevard,
18 Las Vegas, Nevada.

19 (3) FEDERAL PARCEL.—The term “Federal
20 parcel” means the approximately 1000 acres of Fed-
21 eral land in the State proposed to be exchanged for
22 the non-Federal parcel, as depicted on the map.

23 (4) MAP.—The term “Map” means the map en-
24 titled “Southern Nevada Public Land Management
25 Act”, dated June 10, 2002.

1 (5) NON-FEDERAL PARCEL.—The term “non-
2 Federal parcel” means the approximately 1,085
3 acres of non-Federal land in the State owned by the
4 Corporation that is proposed to be exchanged for the
5 Federal parcel, as depicted on the Map.

6 (6) SECRETARY.—The term “Secretary” means
7 the Secretary of the Interior.

8 **SEC. 104. RED ROCK CANYON LAND EXCHANGE.**

9 (a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary shall accept an
10 offer of the Corporation to convey all right, title, and in-
11 terest in the non-Federal parcel to the United States in
12 exchange for the Federal parcel.

13 (b) CONVEYANCE.—Not later than 60 days after the
14 date on which the Corporation makes an offer under sub-
15 section (a), the Secretary shall convey—

16 (1) a portion of the Federal parcel, depicted on
17 the Map as “Public land selected for exchange” to
18 the Corporation; and

19 (2) subject to subsection (f), a portion of the
20 Federal parcel, depicted on the Map as “Proposed
21 BLM transfer for County park”, to the County.

22 (c) VALUATION.—An appraiser approved by the Sec-
23 retary shall determine—

24 (1) the value and exact acreage of the Federal
25 parcel; and

1 (2) the value of the non-Federal parcel.

2 (d) TIMING.—The exchange of the Federal parcel and
3 the non-Federal parcel under this section shall occur con-
4 currently.

5 (e) MAP.—

6 (1) REVISION.—As soon as practicable after the
7 date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary shall
8 prepare a revised map reflecting the modifications to
9 the boundary of the conservation area under this
10 section.

11 (2) PUBLIC AVAILABILITY.—A copy of the Map
12 and the revised map shall be on file and available for
13 public inspection in—

14 (A) the Office of the Director of the Bu-
15 reau of Land Management;

16 (B) the Office of the State Director of the
17 Bureau of Land Management of the State; and

18 (C) the Las Vegas District Office of the
19 Bureau of Land Management.

20 (3) TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS.—The Secretary
21 may correct clerical and typographical errors in the
22 Map and the revised map.

23 (f) LAND TRANSFERRED TO COUNTY.—

1 (1) IN GENERAL.—The portion of the Federal
2 parcel conveyed to the County under subsection
3 (b)(2) shall be used by the County as—

4 (A) a public park; or

5 (B) part of a public regional trail system.

6 (2) REVERSION.—The portion of the Federal
7 parcel conveyed to the County shall revert to the
8 United States if the County—

9 (A) transfers, or attempts to transfer, the
10 portion of the Federal parcel; or

11 (B) uses the portion of the Federal parcel
12 in a manner inconsistent with paragraph (1).

13 **SEC. 105. STATUS AND MANAGEMENT OF ACQUIRED LAND.**

14 (a) ADMINISTRATION.—The non-Federal parcel ac-
15 quired by the United States in the land exchange under
16 section 104 shall be added to, and administered by the
17 Secretary as part of, the conservation area in accordance
18 with—

19 (1) the Red Rock Canyon National Conserva-
20 tion Area Establishment Act of 1990 (16 U.S.C.
21 460ccc et seq.);

22 (2) the Southern Nevada Public Land Manage-
23 ment Act of 1998 (Public Law 105–263; 112 Stat.
24 2343); and

25 (3) other applicable law.

1 (b) BOUNDARY ADJUSTMENT.—If any part of the
2 non-Federal parcel acquired under section 104 lies outside
3 the boundary of the conservation area, the Secretary—

4 (1) shall adjust the boundary of the conserva-
5 tion area to include that part of the non-Federal
6 parcel; and

7 (2) shall prepare a map depicting the boundary
8 adjustment, which shall be on file and available for
9 public inspection in accordance with section
10 104(e)(2).

11 (c) CONFORMING AMENDMENT.—Section 3(a)(2) of
12 the Red Rock Canyon National Conservation Area Estab-
13 lishment Act of 1990 (16 U.S.C. 460ccc–1(a)(2)) is
14 amended by inserting before the period at the end the fol-
15 lowing: “and such additional areas as are included in the
16 conservation area under the Red Rock Canyon National
17 Conservation Area Protection and Enhancement Act of
18 2002, the exact acreage of which shall be determined by
19 a final appraisal conducted by an appraiser approved by
20 the Secretary”.

21 **SEC. 106. GENERAL PROVISIONS.**

22 (a) VALID EXISTING RIGHTS.—Each conveyance
23 under section 104 shall be subject to valid existing rights,
24 leases, rights-of-way, and permits.

1 (b) WITHDRAWAL OF AFFECTED LAND.—Subject to
 2 valid existing rights, the Secretary may withdraw the Fed-
 3 eral parcel from operation of the public land laws (includ-
 4 ing mining laws).

5 **TITLE II—WILDERNESS AREAS**

6 **SEC. 201. FINDINGS.**

7 Congress finds that—

8 (1) public land in the County contains unique
 9 and spectacular natural resources, including—

10 (A) priceless habitat for numerous species
 11 of plants and wildlife; and

12 (B) thousands of acres of pristine land
 13 that remain in a natural state; and

14 (2) continued preservation of those areas would
 15 benefit the County and all of the United States by—

16 (A) ensuring the conservation of eco-
 17 logically diverse habitat;

18 (B) conserving primitive recreational re-
 19 sources; and

20 (C) protecting air and water quality.

21 **SEC. 202. ADDITIONS TO NATIONAL WILDERNESS PRESER-** 22 **VATION SYSTEM.**

23 (a) ADDITIONS.—The following land in the State is
 24 designated as wilderness and as components of the Na-
 25 tional Wilderness Preservation System:

1 (1) ARROW CANYON WILDERNESS.—Certain
2 Federal land managed by the Bureau of Land Man-
3 agement, comprising approximately 27,495 acres, as
4 generally depicted on the map entitled “Arrow Can-
5 yon”, dated June 5, 2002, which shall be known as
6 the “Arrow Canyon Wilderness”.

7 (2) BLACK CANYON WILDERNESS.—Certain
8 Federal land within the Lake Mead National Recre-
9 ation Area and an adjacent portion of Federal land
10 managed by the Bureau of Land Management, com-
11 prising approximately 17,220 acres, as generally de-
12 picted on the map entitled “El Dorado/Spirit Moun-
13 tain”, dated June 10, 2002, which shall be known
14 as the “Black Canyon Wilderness”.

15 (3) BLACK MOUNTAIN WILDERNESS.—Certain
16 Federal land within the Lake Mead National Recre-
17 ation Area, comprising approximately 14,625 acres,
18 as generally depicted on the map entitled “Muddy
19 Mountains”, dated June 5, 2002, which shall be
20 known as the “Black Mountain Wilderness”.

21 (4) BRIDGE CANYON WILDERNESS.—Certain
22 Federal land within the Lake Mead National Recre-
23 ation Area, comprising approximately 7,761 acres,
24 as generally depicted on the map entitled “El Do-

1 rado/Spirit Mountain”, dated June 10, 2002, which
2 shall be known as the “Bridge Canyon Wilderness”.

3 (5) EL DORADO WILDERNESS.—Certain Federal
4 land within the Lake Mead National Recreation
5 Area and an adjacent portion of Federal land man-
6 aged by the Bureau of Land Management, com-
7 prising approximately 31,950 acres, as generally de-
8 picted on the map entitled “El Dorado/Spirit Moun-
9 tain”, dated June 10, 2002, which shall be known
10 as the “El Dorado Wilderness”.

11 (6) HAMBLIN MOUNTAIN WILDERNESS.—Cer-
12 tain Federal land within the Lake Mead National
13 Recreation Area, comprising approximately 17,047
14 acres, as generally depicted on the map entitled
15 “Muddy Mountains”, dated June 5, 2002, which
16 shall be known as the “Hamblin Mountain Wilder-
17 ness”.

18 (7) IRETEBA PEAKS WILDERNESS.—Certain
19 Federal land within the Lake Mead National Recre-
20 ation Area and an adjacent portion of Federal land
21 managed by the Bureau of Land Management, com-
22 prising approximately 31,321 acres, as generally de-
23 picted on the map entitled “El Dorado/Spirit Moun-
24 tain”, dated June 10, 2002, which shall be known
25 as the “Ireteba Peaks Wilderness”.

1 (8) JIMBILNAN WILDERNESS.—Certain Federal
2 land within the Lake Mead National Recreation
3 Area, comprising approximately 18,879 acres, as
4 generally depicted on the map entitled “Muddy
5 Mountains”, dated June 5, 2002, which shall be
6 known as the “Jimbilnan Wilderness”.

7 (9) JUMBO SPRINGS WILDERNESS.—Certain
8 Federal land managed by the Bureau of Land Man-
9 agement, comprising approximately 4,631 acres, as
10 generally depicted on the map entitled “Gold
11 Butte”, dated June 5, 2002, which shall be known
12 as the “Jumbo Springs Wilderness”.

13 (10) LA MADRE MOUNTAIN WILDERNESS.—Cer-
14 tain Federal land within the Toiyabe National For-
15 est and an adjacent portion of Federal land man-
16 aged by the Bureau of Land Management, com-
17 prising approximately 46,634 acres, as generally de-
18 picted on the map entitled “Spring Mountains”,
19 dated June 5, 2002, which shall be known as the
20 “La Madre Mountain Wilderness”.

21 (11) LIME CANYON WILDERNESS.—Certain
22 Federal land managed by the Bureau of Land Man-
23 agement, comprising approximately 16,710 acres, as
24 generally depicted on the map entitled “Gold

1 Butte”, dated June 5, 2002, which shall be known
2 as the “Lime Canyon Wilderness”.

3 (12) MT. CHARLESTON WILDERNESS ADDI-
4 TIONS.—Certain Federal land within the Toiyabe
5 National Forest and an adjacent portion of Federal
6 land managed by the Bureau of Land Management,
7 comprising approximately 13,598 acres, as generally
8 depicted on the map entitled “Spring Mountains”,
9 dated June 5, 2002, which shall be included in the
10 Mt. Charleston Wilderness.

11 (13) MUDDY MOUNTAINS WILDERNESS.—Cer-
12 tain Federal land within the Lake Mead National
13 Recreation Area and an adjacent portion of land
14 managed by the Bureau of Land Management, com-
15 prising approximately 48,019 acres, as generally de-
16 picted on the map entitled “Muddy Mountains”,
17 dated June 5, 2002, which shall be known as the
18 “Muddy Mountains Wilderness”.

19 (14) NELLIS WASH WILDERNESS.—Certain
20 Federal land within the Lake Mead National Recre-
21 ation Area, comprising approximately 16,423 acres,
22 as generally depicted on the map entitled “El Do-
23 rado/Spirit Mountain”, dated June 10, 2002, which
24 shall be known as the “Nellis Wash Wilderness”.

1 (15) NORTH MCCULLOUGH WILDERNESS.—Cer-
2 tain Federal land managed by the Bureau of Land
3 Management, comprising approximately 14,763
4 acres, as generally depicted on the map entitled
5 “McCulloughs”, dated June 10, 2002, which shall be
6 known as the “North McCullough Wilderness”.

7 (16) PINE CREEK WILDERNESS.—Certain Fed-
8 eral land within the Toiyabe National Forest and an
9 adjacent portion of Federal land managed by the
10 Bureau of Land Management, comprising approxi-
11 mately 25,375 acres, as generally depicted on the
12 map entitled “Spring Mountains”, dated June 5,
13 2002, which shall be known as the “Pine Creek Wil-
14 derness”.

15 (17) PINTO VALLEY WILDERNESS.—Certain
16 Federal land within the Lake Mead National Recre-
17 ation Area and an adjacent portion of Federal land
18 managed by the Bureau of Land Management, com-
19 prising approximately 6,912 acres, as generally de-
20 picted on the map entitled “Muddy Mountains”,
21 dated June 5, 2002, which shall be known as the
22 “Pinto Valley Wilderness”.

23 (18) SOUTH MCCULLOUGH WILDERNESS.—Cer-
24 tain Federal land managed by the Bureau of Land
25 Management, comprising approximately 44,245

1 acres, as generally depicted on the map entitled
2 “McCulloughs”, dated June 10, 2002, which shall be
3 known as the “South McCullough Wilderness”.

4 (19) SPIRIT MOUNTAIN WILDERNESS.—Certain
5 Federal land within the Lake Mead National Recre-
6 ation Area and an adjacent portion of Federal land
7 managed by the Bureau of Land Management, com-
8 prising approximately 34,261 acres, as generally de-
9 picted on the map entitled “El Dorado/Spirit Moun-
10 tain”, dated June 10, 2002, which shall be known
11 as the “Spirit Mountain Wilderness”.

12 (20) WEE THUMP JOSHUA TREE WILDER-
13 NESS.—Certain Federal land managed by the Bu-
14 reau of Land Management, comprising approxi-
15 mately 6,050 acres, as generally depicted on the
16 map entitled “McCulloughs”, dated June 10, 2002,
17 which shall be known as the “Wee Thump Joshua
18 Tree Wilderness”.

19 (b) BOUNDARY.—The boundary of any portion of a
20 wilderness area designated by subsection (a) that is bor-
21 dered by Lake Mead, Lake Mohave, or the Colorado River
22 shall be 300 feet inland from the high water line.

23 (c) MAP AND LEGAL DESCRIPTION.—

24 (1) IN GENERAL.—As soon as practicable after
25 the date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary

1 shall file a map and legal description of each wilder-
2 ness area designated by subsection (a) with the
3 Committee on Resources of the House of Represent-
4 atives and the Committee on Energy and Natural
5 Resources of the Senate.

6 (2) EFFECT.—Each map and legal description
7 shall have the same force and effect as if included
8 in this section, except that the Secretary may correct
9 clerical and typographical errors in the map or legal
10 description.

11 (3) AVAILABILITY.—Each map and legal de-
12 scription shall be on file and available for public in-
13 spection in (as appropriate)—

14 (A) the Office of the Director of the Bu-
15 reau of Land Management;

16 (B) the Office of the State Director of the
17 Bureau of Land Management of the State;

18 (C) the Las Vegas District Office of the
19 Bureau of Land Management;

20 (D) the Office of the Director of the Na-
21 tional Park Service; and

22 (E) the Office of the Chief of the Forest
23 Service.

1 **SEC. 203. ADMINISTRATION.**

2 (a) WILDERNESS AREA ADMINISTRATION.—Subject
3 to valid existing rights, including rights to access the area,
4 each area designated as wilderness by this title shall be
5 administered by the Secretary in accordance with the pro-
6 visions of the Wilderness Act (16 U.S.C. 1131 et seq.)
7 governing areas designated by that Act as wilderness, ex-
8 cept that any reference in the provisions to the effective
9 date shall be considered to be a reference to the date of
10 enactment of this Act.

11 (b) LIVESTOCK.—Within the wilderness areas des-
12 igned under this title, the grazing of livestock in areas
13 in which grazing is allowed on the date of enactment of
14 this Act shall be allowed to continue subject to such rea-
15 sonable regulations, policies, and practices that—

16 (1) the Secretary considers necessary; and

17 (2) conform to and implement the intent of
18 Congress regarding grazing in those areas as such
19 intent is expressed in—

20 (A) the Wilderness Act (16 U.S.C. 1131 et
21 seq.);

22 (B) section 101(f) of the Arizona Desert
23 Wilderness Act of 1990 (104 Stat. 4473); and

24 (C) Appendix A of House Report No. 101-
25 405 of the 101st Congress.

1 (c) INCORPORATION OF ACQUIRED LAND AND INTER-
2 ESTS.—Any land or interest in land within the boundaries
3 of an area designated as wilderness by this title that is
4 acquired by the United States after the date of enactment
5 of this Act shall be added to and administered as part
6 of the wilderness area within which the acquired land or
7 interest in land is located.

8 (d) AIR QUALITY DESIGNATION.—Notwithstanding
9 sections 162 and 164 of the Clean Air Act (42 U.S.C.
10 7472, 7474), any wilderness area designated under this
11 title shall retain a Class II air quality designation and may
12 not be redesignated as Class I.

13 **SEC. 204. ADJACENT MANAGEMENT.**

14 (a) IN GENERAL.—Congress does not intend for the
15 designation of wilderness in the State pursuant to this
16 title to lead to the creation of protective perimeters or
17 buffer zones around any such wilderness area.

18 (b) NONWILDERNESS ACTIVITIES.—The fact that
19 nonwilderness activities or uses can be seen or heard from
20 areas within a wilderness designated under this title shall
21 not preclude the conduct of those activities or uses outside
22 the boundary of the wilderness area.

23 **SEC. 205. OVERFLIGHTS.**

24 Nothing in this title restricts or precludes—

1 (1) overflights, including low-level overflights,
2 over the areas designated as wilderness by this title,
3 including military overflights that can be seen or
4 heard within the wilderness areas;

5 (2) flight testing and evaluation; or

6 (3) the designation or creation of new units of
7 special use airspace, or the establishment of military
8 flight training routes, over the wilderness areas.

9 **SEC. 206. NATIVE AMERICAN CULTURAL AND RELIGIOUS**
10 **USES.**

11 In recognition of the past use of portions of the areas
12 designated as wilderness by this title by Native Americans
13 for traditional cultural and religious purposes, the Sec-
14 retary shall ensure, from time to time, nonexclusive access
15 by Native Americans to the areas for those purposes, in-
16 cluding wood gathering for personal use and the collecting
17 of plants or herbs.

18 **SEC. 207. RELEASE OF WILDERNESS STUDY AREAS.**

19 (a) FINDING.—Congress finds that, for the purposes
20 of sections 202 and 603 of the Federal Land Policy and
21 Management Act of 1976 (43 U.S.C. 1712, 1782), the
22 public land in the County administered by the Bureau of
23 Land Management and the Forest Service in the following
24 areas have been adequately studied for wilderness designa-
25 tion:

- 1 (1) The Garrett Buttes Wilderness Study Area.
- 2 (2) The Quail Springs Wilderness Study Area.
- 3 (3) The Nellis A,B,C Wilderness Study Area.
- 4 (4) Any portion of the wilderness study areas—
 - 5 (A) not designated as wilderness by section
 - 6 202(a); and
 - 7 (B) designated for release on—
 - 8 (i) the map entitled “Muddy Moun-
 - 9 tains” and dated June 5, 2002;
 - 10 (ii) the map entitled “Spring Moun-
 - 11 tains” and dated June 5, 2002;
 - 12 (iii) the map entitled “Arrow Canyon”
 - 13 and dated June 5, 2002;
 - 14 (iv) the map entitled “Gold Butte”
 - 15 and dated June 5, 2002;
 - 16 (v) the map entitled “McCullough
 - 17 Mountains” and dated June 10, 2002;
 - 18 (vi) the map entitled “El Dorado/
 - 19 Spirit Mountain” and dated June 10,
 - 20 2002; or
 - 21 (vii) the map entitled “Southern Ne-
 - 22 vada Public Land Management Act” and
 - 23 dated June 10, 2002.

1 (b) RELEASE.—Except as provided in subsection (c),
2 any public land described in subsection (a) that is not des-
3 ignated as wilderness by this title—

4 (1) shall not be subject to section 603(c) of the
5 Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976
6 (43 U.S.C. 1782(c)); and

7 (2) shall be managed in accordance with—

8 (A) land management plans adopted under
9 section 202 of that Act (43 U.S.C. 1712); and

10 (B) the Clark County Multi-Species Habi-
11 tat Conservation Plan, including any amend-
12 ments to the plan.

13 (c) LAND NOT RELEASED.—The following land is not
14 released from the wilderness study requirements of sec-
15 tions 202 and 603 of the Federal Land Policy and Man-
16 agement Act of 1976 (43 U.S.C. 1712, 1782):

17 (1) Meadow Valley Mountains Wilderness Study
18 Area.

19 (2) Million Hills Wilderness Study Area.

20 (3) Mt. Stirling Wilderness Study Area.

21 (4) Mormon Mountains Wilderness Study Area.

22 (5) Sunrise Mountain Instant Study Area.

23 (6) Virgin Mountain Instant Study Area.

24 (d) RIGHT-OF-WAY GRANTS.—

25 (1) SUNRISE MOUNTAIN.—

1 (A) IN GENERAL.—To facilitate energy se-
2 curity and the timely delivery of new energy
3 supplies to the States of Nevada and California
4 and the Southwest, notwithstanding section
5 603(c) of the Federal Land Policy and Manage-
6 ment Act of 1976 (43 U.S.C. 1782(c)), the Sec-
7 retary shall issue to the State-regulated sponsor
8 of the Centennial Project a right-of-way grant
9 for the construction and maintenance of 2 500-
10 kilovolt electrical transmission lines.

11 (B) LOCATION.—The transmission lines
12 described in subparagraph (A) shall be con-
13 structed within the 1,400-foot-wide utility right-
14 of-way corridor in the Sunrise Mountain In-
15 stant Study Area in the County.

16 (2) MEADOW VALLEY MOUNTAINS WILDERNESS
17 STUDY AREA.—The Secretary shall issue to the de-
18 velopers of the proposed Meadow Valley generating
19 project a right-of-way grant for the construction and
20 maintenance of electric and water transmission lines
21 in the Meadow Valley Mountains Wilderness Study
22 Area in Clark and Lincoln Counties in the State.

23 **SEC. 208. WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT.**

24 (a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary shall conduct such
25 management activities as are necessary to maintain or re-

1 store fish and wildlife populations and fish and wildlife
2 habitats in the areas designated as wilderness by this title.

3 (b) HUNTING, FISHING, AND TRAPPING.—

4 (1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary shall permit
5 hunting, fishing, and trapping on land and water in
6 wilderness areas designated by this title in accord-
7 ance with applicable Federal and State laws.

8 (2) LIMITATIONS.—

9 (A) REGULATIONS.—The Secretary may
10 designate by regulation areas in which, and es-
11 tablish periods during which, for reasons of
12 public safety, administration, or compliance
13 with applicable laws, no hunting, fishing, or
14 trapping will be permitted in the wilderness
15 areas designated by this title.

16 (B) CONSULTATION.—Except in emer-
17 gencies, the Secretary shall consult with, and
18 obtain the approval of, the appropriate State
19 agency before promulgating regulations under
20 subparagraph (A) that close a portion of the
21 wilderness areas to hunting, fishing, or trap-
22 ping.

23 (c) MOTORIZED VEHICLES.—

24 (1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary shall author-
25 ize the occasional and temporary use of motorized

1 vehicles in the wilderness areas, including the uses
2 described in paragraph (2), if the use of motorized
3 vehicles would—

4 (A) as determined by the Secretary, en-
5 hance wilderness values by promoting healthy,
6 viable, and more naturally distributed wildlife
7 populations and other natural resources; and

8 (B) accomplish the purposes for which the
9 use is authorized while causing the least
10 amount of damage to the wilderness areas, as
11 compared with the alternatives.

12 (2) AUTHORIZED USES.—The uses referred to
13 in paragraph (1) include—

14 (A) the use of motorized vehicles by—

15 (i) a State agency responsible for fish
16 and wildlife management; or

17 (ii) a designee of such a State agency;

18 (B) the use of aircraft to survey, capture,
19 transplant, and monitor wildlife populations;

20 (C) when necessary to protect or rehabili-
21 tate natural resources in the wilderness areas,
22 access by motorized vehicles for the—

23 (i) repair, maintenance, and recon-
24 struction of water developments, including

1 guzzlers, in existence on the date of enact-
2 ment of this Act; and

3 (ii) the installation, repair, mainte-
4 nance, and reconstruction of new water de-
5 velopments, including guzzlers; and

6 (D) the use of motorized equipment, in-
7 cluding aircraft, to manage and remove, as ap-
8 propriate, feral stock, feral horses, and feral
9 burros.

10 (d) WILDLIFE WATER DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS.—

11 The Secretary shall authorize the construction of struc-
12 tures and facilities for wildlife water development projects,
13 including guzzlers, in the wilderness areas designated by
14 this title if—

15 (1) the construction activities will, as deter-
16 mined by the Secretary, enhance wilderness values
17 by promoting healthy, viable, and more naturally
18 distributed wildlife populations; and

19 (2) the visual impacts of the construction activi-
20 ties on the wilderness areas can reasonably be mini-
21 mized.

22 (e) BUFFER.—A road in the State that is bordered
23 by a wilderness area designated by this title shall include
24 a buffer on each side of the road that is the greater of—

25 (1) 100 feet wide; or

1 (2) the width of the buffer on the date of enact-
2 ment of this Act.

3 (f) **EFFECT.**—Nothing in this title diminishes the ju-
4 risdiction of the State with respect to fish and wildlife
5 management, including regulation of hunting and fishing
6 on public land in the State.

7 **SEC. 209. WILDFIRE MANAGEMENT.**

8 Nothing in this title precludes a Federal, State, or
9 local agency from conducting wildfire management oper-
10 ations (including operations using aircraft or mechanized
11 equipment) to manage wildfires in the wilderness areas
12 designated by this title.

13 **SEC. 210. CLIMATOLOGICAL DATA COLLECTION.**

14 Subject to such terms and conditions as the Secretary
15 may prescribe, nothing in this title precludes the installa-
16 tion and maintenance of hydrologic, meteorologic, or cli-
17 matological collection devices in the wilderness areas des-
18 ignated by this title if the facilities and access to the facili-
19 ties are essential to flood warning, flood control, and water
20 reservoir operation activities.

21 **SEC. 211. AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.**

22 There are authorized to be appropriated such sums
23 as are necessary to carry out this title.

1 **TITLE III—TRANSFERS OF**
2 **ADMINISTRATIVE JURISDICTION**

3 **SEC. 301. TRANSFER OF ADMINISTRATIVE JURISDICTION**
4 **TO THE UNITED STATES FISH AND WILDLIFE**
5 **SERVICE.**

6 (a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of the Interior shall
7 transfer to the United States Fish and Wildlife Service
8 administrative jurisdiction over the parcel of land de-
9 scribed in subsection (b) for inclusion in the Desert Na-
10 tional Wildlife Range.

11 (b) DESCRIPTION OF LAND.—The parcel of land re-
12 ferred to in subsection (a) is the approximately 49,817
13 acres of Bureau of Land Management land, as depicted
14 on the map entitled “Arrow Canyon” and dated June 5,
15 2002.

16 (c) WILDERNESS RELEASE.—

17 (1) FINDING.—Congress finds that the parcel
18 of land described in subsection (b) has been ade-
19 quately studied for wilderness designation for the
20 purposes of section 603(c) of the Federal Land Pol-
21 icy and Management Act of 1976 (43 U.S.C.
22 1782(c)).

23 (2) RELEASE.—The parcel of land described in
24 subsection (b)—

1 (A) shall not be subject to section 603(c)
2 of the Federal Land Policy and Management
3 Act of 1976 (43 U.S.C. 1782(c)); and

4 (B) shall be managed in accordance with—

5 (i) land management plans adopted
6 under section 202 of that Act (43 U.S.C.
7 1712); and

8 (ii) the Clark County Multi-Species
9 Habitat Conservation Plan.

10 (d) USE OF LAND.—To the extent not prohibited by
11 Federal or State law, the parcel of land described in sub-
12 section (b) shall be available for the extraction of mineral
13 resources.

14 **SEC. 302. TRANSFER OF ADMINISTRATIVE JURISDICTION**
15 **TO THE NATIONAL PARK SERVICE.**

16 (a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of the Interior shall
17 transfer to the National Park Service administrative juris-
18 diction over the parcel of land described in subsection (b)
19 for inclusion in the Lake Mead National Recreation Area.

20 (b) DESCRIPTION OF LAND.—The parcel of land re-
21 ferred to in subsection (a) is the approximately 10 acres
22 of Bureau of Land Management land, as depicted on the
23 map entitled “El Dorado/Spirit Mountain” and dated
24 June 10, 2002.

1 (c) USE OF LAND.—The parcel of land described in
 2 subsection (b) shall be used by the National Park Service
 3 for administrative facilities.

4 **TITLE IV—AMENDMENTS TO THE**
 5 **SOUTHERN NEVADA PUBLIC**
 6 **LAND MANAGEMENT ACT**

7 **SEC. 401. DISPOSAL AND EXCHANGE.**

8 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 4 of the Southern Nevada
 9 Public Land Management Act of 1998 (Public Law 105–
 10 263; 112 Stat. 2344) is amended—

11 (1) in the first sentence of subsection (a), by
 12 striking “entitled ‘Las Vegas Valley, Nevada, Land
 13 Disposal Map’, April 10, 1997” and inserting “enti-
 14 tled ‘Southern Nevada Public Land Management
 15 Act’, dated June 10, 2002”; and

16 (2) in subsection (e)(3)—

17 (A) in subparagraph (A)(iv), by inserting
 18 “or regional governmental entity” after “local
 19 government”; and

20 (B) by striking subparagraph (C) and in-
 21 serting the following:

22 “(C) ADMINISTRATION.—Of the amounts
 23 available to the Secretary from the special ac-
 24 count in any fiscal year (determined without

1 taking into account amounts deposited under
 2 subsection (g)(4)—

3 “(i) not more than 25 percent of the
 4 amounts may be used in any fiscal year for
 5 the purposes described in subparagraph
 6 (A)(ii); and

7 “(ii) not less than 25 percent of the
 8 amounts may be used in any fiscal year for
 9 the purposes described in subparagraph
 10 (A)(iv).”.

11 (b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by
 12 subsection (a) take effect on January 31, 2003.

13 **TITLE V—IVANPAH CORRIDOR**

14 **SEC. 501. INTERSTATE ROUTE 15 SOUTH CORRIDOR.**

15 (a) MANAGEMENT OF INTERSTATE ROUTE 15 COR-
 16 RIDOR LAND.—

17 (1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary shall manage
 18 the land located along the Interstate Route 15 cor-
 19 ridor south of the Las Vegas Valley to the border
 20 between the States of California and Nevada, as
 21 generally depicted on the map entitled “Clark Coun-
 22 ty Conservation of Public Land and Natural Re-
 23 sources Act of 2002” and dated June 10, 2002, in
 24 accordance with the Southern Nevada Public Land

1 Management Act of 1998 (Public Law 105–263;
2 112 Stat. 2343) and this section.

3 (2) AVAILABILITY OF MAP.—The map described
4 in paragraph (1) shall be on file and available for
5 public inspection in—

6 (A) the Office of the Director of the Bu-
7 reau of Land Management;

8 (B) the Office of the State Director of the
9 Bureau of Land Management of the State; and

10 (C) the Las Vegas District Office of the
11 Bureau of Land Management.

12 (3) MULTIPLE USE MANAGEMENT.—Subject to
13 any land management designations under the 1998
14 Las Vegas District Resource Management Plan or
15 the Clark County Multi-Species Conservation Plan,
16 land depicted on the map described in paragraph (1)
17 shall be managed for multiple use purposes.

18 (4) TERMINATION OF ADMINISTRATIVE WITH-
19 DRAWAL.—The administrative withdrawal of the
20 land identified as the “Interstate 15 South Cor-
21 ridor” on the map entitled “Clark County Conserva-
22 tion of Public Land and Natural Resources Act of
23 2002” and dated June 10, 2002, from mineral entry
24 dated July 23, 1997, and as amended March 9,
25 1998, is terminated.

1 (5) TRANSPORTATION AND UTILITIES COR-
2 RIDOR.—Notwithstanding sections 202 and 203 of
3 the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of
4 1976 (43 U.S.C. 1712, 1713), the Secretary, in ac-
5 cordance with this section and other applicable law
6 and subject to valid existing rights, shall establish a
7 2,640-foot wide corridor between the Las Vegas val-
8 ley and the proposed Ivanpah Airport for the place-
9 ment, on a nonexclusive basis, of utilities and trans-
10 portation.

11 (b) IVANPAH AIRPORT ENVIRONS OVERLAY DIS-
12 TRICT LAND TRANSFER.—

13 (1) IN GENERAL.—Subject to paragraph (2)
14 and valid existing rights, on request by the County,
15 the Secretary shall transfer to the County, without
16 consideration, all right, title, and interest of the
17 United States in and to the land identified on the
18 map entitled “Clark County Conservation of Public
19 Land and Natural Resources Act of 2002” and
20 dated June 10, 2002.

21 (2) CONDITIONS FOR TRANSFER.—As a condi-
22 tion of the transfer under paragraph (1), the County
23 shall agree—

24 (A) to manage the transferred land in ac-
25 cordance with section 47504 of title 49, United

1 States Code (including regulations promulgated
2 under that section); and

3 (B) that if any portion of the transferred
4 land is sold, leased, or otherwise conveyed or
5 leased by the County—

6 (i) the sale, lease, or other conveyance
7 shall be—

8 (I) subject to a limitation that
9 requires that any use of the trans-
10 ferred land be consistent with the
11 Agreement and section 47504 of title
12 49, United States Code (including
13 regulations promulgated under that
14 section); and

15 (II) for fair market value; and

16 (ii) of any gross proceeds received by
17 the County from the sale, lease, or other
18 conveyance of the land, the County shall—

19 (I) contribute 85 percent to the
20 special account established by section
21 4(e)(1)(C) of the Southern Nevada
22 Public Land Management Act of 1998
23 (Public Law 105–263; 112 Stat.
24 2345);

1 (II) contribute 5 percent to the
2 State for use in the general education
3 program of the State; and

4 (III) reserve 10 percent for use
5 by the Clark County Department of
6 Aviation for airport development and
7 noise compatibility programs.

8 (c) WITHDRAWAL OF LAND.—

9 (1) IN GENERAL.—Subject to valid existing
10 rights, the corridor described in subsection (a)(5)
11 and the land transferred to the County under sub-
12 section (b)(1) are withdrawn from location and entry
13 under the mining laws, and from operation under
14 the mineral leasing and geothermal leasing laws,
15 until such time as—

16 (A) the Secretary terminates the with-
17 drawal; or

18 (B) the corridor or land, respectively, is
19 patented.

20 (2) AREAS OF CRITICAL ENVIRONMENTAL CON-
21 CERN.—Subject to valid existing rights, any Federal
22 land in an area of critical environmental concern
23 that is designated for segregation and withdrawal
24 under the 1998 Las Vegas Resource Management
25 Plan is segregated and withdrawn from the oper-

1 ation of the mining laws in accordance with that
2 plan.

3 **TITLE VI—SLOAN CANYON NA-**
4 **TIONAL CONSERVATION AREA**

5 **SEC. 601. SHORT TITLE.**

6 This title may be cited as the “Sloan Canyon Na-
7 tional Conservation Area Act”.

8 **SEC. 602. PURPOSE.**

9 The purpose of this title is to establish the Sloan
10 Canyon National Conservation Area to conserve, protect,
11 and enhance for the benefit and enjoyment of present and
12 future generations the cultural, archaeological, natural,
13 wilderness, scientific, geological, historical, biological,
14 wildlife, education, and scenic resources of the Conserva-
15 tion Area.

16 **SEC. 603. DEFINITIONS.**

17 In this title:

18 (1) CONSERVATION AREA.—The term “Con-
19 servation Area” means the Sloan Canyon National
20 Conservation Area established by section 604(a).

21 (2) FEDERAL PARCEL.—The term “Federal
22 parcel” means the parcel of Federal land consisting
23 of approximately 500 acres that is identified as
24 “Tract A” on the map entitled “Southern Nevada

1 Public Land Management Act” and dated June 10,
2 2002.

3 (3) MANAGEMENT PLAN.—The term “manage-
4 ment plan” means the management plan for the
5 Conservation Area developed under section 605(b).

6 (4) MAP.—The term “map” means the map
7 submitted under section 604(c).

8 **SEC. 604. ESTABLISHMENT.**

9 (a) IN GENERAL.—For the purpose described in sec-
10 tion 602, there is established in the State a conservation
11 area to be known as the “Sloan Canyon National Con-
12 servation Area”.

13 (b) AREA INCLUDED.—The Conservation Area shall
14 consist of approximately 47,000 acres of public land in
15 the County, as generally depicted on the map.

16 (c) MAP AND LEGAL DESCRIPTION.—

17 (1) IN GENERAL.—As soon as practicable after
18 the date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary
19 shall submit to Congress a map and legal description
20 of the Conservation Area.

21 (2) EFFECT.—The map and legal description
22 shall have the same force and effect as if included
23 in this section, except that the Secretary may correct
24 minor errors in the map or legal description.

1 (3) PUBLIC AVAILABILITY.—A copy of the map
2 and legal description shall be on file and available
3 for public inspection in—

4 (i) the Office of the Director of the
5 Bureau of Land Management;

6 (ii) the Office of the State Director of
7 the Bureau of Land Management of the
8 State; and

9 (iii) the Las Vegas District Office of
10 the Bureau of Land Management.

11 **SEC. 605. MANAGEMENT.**

12 (a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary, acting through the
13 Director of the Bureau of Land Management, shall man-
14 age the Conservation Area—

15 (1) in a manner that conserves, protects, and
16 enhances the resources of the Conservation Area;
17 and

18 (2) in accordance with—

19 (A) the Federal Land Policy and Manage-
20 ment Act of 1976 (43 U.S.C. 1701 et seq.); and

21 (B) other applicable law, including this
22 Act.

23 (b) MANAGEMENT PLAN.—

24 (1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 3 years after
25 the date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary, in

1 consultation with the State, the city of Henderson,
2 the County, and any other interested persons, shall
3 develop a comprehensive management plan for the
4 Conservation Area.

5 (2) REQUIREMENTS.—The management plan
6 shall—

7 (A) describe the appropriate uses and
8 management of the Conservation Area; and

9 (B)(i) authorize the use of motorized vehi-
10 cles in the Conservation Area—

11 (I) for installing, repairing, maintain-
12 ing, and reconstructing water development
13 projects, including guzzlers, that would en-
14 hance the Conservation Area by promoting
15 healthy, viable, and more naturally distrib-
16 uted wildlife populations; and

17 (II) subject to any limitations that are
18 not more restrictive than the limitations on
19 such uses authorized in wilderness areas
20 under clauses (i) and (ii) of section
21 208(c)(2)(C); and

22 (ii) include or provide recommendations on
23 ways of minimizing the visual impacts of such
24 activities on the Conservation Area.

1 (c) USE.—The Secretary may allow any use of the
2 Conservation Area that the Secretary determines will fur-
3 ther the purpose described in section 602.

4 (d) MOTORIZED VEHICLES.—Except as needed for
5 administrative purposes or to respond to an emergency,
6 the use of motorized vehicles in the Conservation Area
7 shall be permitted only on roads and trails designated for
8 the use of motorized vehicles by the management plan de-
9 veloped under subsection (b).

10 (e) WITHDRAWAL.—

11 (1) IN GENERAL.—Subject to valid existing
12 rights and the right-of-way issued under subsection
13 (h), all public land in the Conservation Area is with-
14 drawn from—

15 (A) all forms of entry and appropriation
16 under the public land laws;

17 (B) location, entry, and patent under the
18 mining laws; and

19 (C) operation of the mineral leasing, min-
20 eral materials, and geothermal leasing laws.

21 (2) ADDITIONAL LAND.—Notwithstanding any
22 other provision of law, if the Secretary acquires min-
23 eral or other interests in a parcel of land within the
24 Conservation Area after the date of enactment of
25 this Act, the parcel is withdrawn from operation of

1 the laws referred to in paragraph (1) on the date of
2 acquisition of the land.

3 (f) HUNTING, FISHING, AND TRAPPING.—

4 (1) IN GENERAL.—Except as provided in para-
5 graph (2), the Secretary shall permit hunting, fish-
6 ing, and trapping in the Conservation Area in ac-
7 cordance with applicable Federal and State laws.

8 (2) LIMITATIONS.—

9 (A) REGULATIONS.—The Secretary may
10 designate by regulation areas in which, and es-
11 tablish periods during which, for reasons of
12 public safety, administration, or compliance
13 with applicable laws, no hunting, fishing, or
14 trapping will be permitted in the Conservation
15 Area.

16 (B) CONSULTATION.—Except in emer-
17 gencies, the Secretary shall consult with, and
18 obtain the approval of, the appropriate State
19 agency before promulgating regulations under
20 subparagraph (A) that close a portion of the
21 Conservation Area to hunting, fishing, or trap-
22 ping.

23 (g) NO BUFFER ZONES.—

24 (1) IN GENERAL.—The establishment of the
25 Conservation Area shall not create an express or im-

1 plied protective perimeter or buffer zone around the
2 Conservation Area.

3 (2) PRIVATE LAND.—If the use of, or conduct
4 of an activity on, private land that shares a bound-
5 ary with the Conservation Area is consistent with
6 applicable law, nothing in this title concerning the
7 establishment of the Conservation Area shall pro-
8 hibit or limit the use or conduct of the activity.

9 (h) RIGHT-OF-WAY.—Not later than 90 days after
10 the date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary shall con-
11 vey to the city of Henderson the public right-of-way re-
12 quested for rural roadway and public trail purposes under
13 the application numbered N-65874.

14 **SEC. 606. SALE OF FEDERAL PARCEL.**

15 (a) IN GENERAL.—Notwithstanding sections 202 and
16 203 of the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of
17 1976 (43 U.S.C. 1712, 1713) and subject to valid existing
18 rights, not later than 180 days after the date of enactment
19 of this Act, the Secretary shall convey to the highest quali-
20 fied bidder all right, title, and interest of the United
21 States in and to the Federal parcel.

22 (b) DISPOSITION OF PROCEEDS.—Of the gross pro-
23 ceeds from the conveyance of land under subsection (a)—

24 (1) 5 percent shall be available to the State for
25 use in the general education program of the State;

1 (2) 8 percent shall be deposited in the special
2 account established by section 4(e)(1)(C) of the
3 Southern Nevada Public Land Management Act of
4 1998 (Public Law 105–263; 112 Stat. 2345), to be
5 available without further appropriation for a com-
6 prehensive southern Nevada litter cleanup and pub-
7 lic awareness campaign; and

8 (3) the remainder shall be deposited in the spe-
9 cial account described in paragraph (2), to be avail-
10 able to the Secretary, without further appropriation
11 for—

12 (A) the construction and operation of fa-
13 cilities at, and other management activities in,
14 the Conservation Area;

15 (B) the construction and repair of trails
16 and roads in the Conservation Area authorized
17 under the management plan;

18 (C) research on and interpretation of the
19 archaeological and geological resources of Sloan
20 Canyon; and

21 (D) any other purpose that the Secretary
22 determines to be consistent with the purpose
23 described in section 602.

1 **SEC. 607. AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.**

2 There are authorized to be appropriated such sums
3 as are necessary to carry out this title.

4 **TITLE VII—PUBLIC INTEREST**
5 **CONVEYANCES**

6 **SEC. 701. DEFINITION OF MAP.**

7 In this title, the term “map” means the map entitled
8 “Southern Nevada Public Land Management Act” and
9 dated June 10, 2002.

10 **SEC. 702. CONVEYANCE TO THE UNIVERSITY OF NEVADA AT**
11 **LAS VEGAS RESEARCH FOUNDATION.**

12 (a) FINDINGS AND PURPOSES.—

13 (1) FINDINGS.—Congress finds that—

14 (A) the University of Nevada, Las Vegas,
15 needs land in the greater Las Vegas area to
16 provide for the future growth of the university;

17 (B) the proposal by the University of Ne-
18 vada, Las Vegas, for construction of a research
19 park and technology center in the greater Las
20 Vegas area would enhance the high tech indus-
21 try and entrepreneurship in the State; and

22 (C) the land transferred to the Clark
23 County Department of Aviation under section
24 4(g) of the Southern Nevada Public Land Man-
25 agement Act of 1998 (Public Law 105–263;

1 112 Stat. 2346) is the best location for the re-
2 search park and technology center.

3 (2) PURPOSES.—The purposes of this section
4 are—

5 (A) to provide a suitable location for the
6 construction of a research park and technology
7 center in the greater Las Vegas area;

8 (B) to provide the public with opportuni-
9 ties for education and research in the field of
10 high technology; and

11 (C) to provide the State with opportunities
12 for competition and economic development in
13 the field of high technology.

14 (b) TECHNOLOGY RESEARCH CENTER.—

15 (1) CONVEYANCE.—Notwithstanding section
16 4(g)(4) of the Southern Nevada Public Land Man-
17 agement Act of 1998 (Public Law 105–263; 112
18 Stat. 2347), the Clark County Department of Avia-
19 tion may convey, without consideration, all right,
20 title, and interest in and to the parcel of land de-
21 scribed in paragraph (2) to the University of Nevada
22 at Las Vegas Research Foundation for the develop-
23 ment of a technology research center.

1 (2) DESCRIPTION OF LAND.—The parcel of
2 land referred to in paragraph (1) is the parcel of
3 Clark County Department of Aviation land—

4 (A) consisting of approximately 115 acres;
5 and

6 (B) located in the SW 1/4 of section 33, T.
7 21 S., R. 60 E., Mount Diablo Base and Merid-
8 ian.

9 **SEC. 703. CONVEYANCE TO THE LAS VEGAS METROPOLI-**
10 **TAN POLICE DEPARTMENT.**

11 The Secretary shall convey to the Las Vegas Metro-
12 politan Police Department, without consideration, all
13 right, title, and interest in and to the parcel of land identi-
14 fied as “Tract F” on the map for use as a shooting range.

15 **SEC. 704. CONVEYANCE TO THE CITY OF HENDERSON FOR**
16 **THE NEVADA STATE COLLEGE AT HENDER-**
17 **SON.**

18 (a) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

19 (1) CHANCELLOR.—The term “Chancellor”
20 means the Chancellor of the University system.

21 (2) CITY.—The term “City” means the city of
22 Henderson, Nevada.

23 (3) COLLEGE.—The term “College” means the
24 Nevada State College at Henderson.

1 (4) UNIVERSITY SYSTEM.—The term “Univer-
2 sity system” means the University and Community
3 College System of Nevada.

4 (b) CONVEYANCE.—

5 (1) IN GENERAL.—Notwithstanding the Federal
6 Land Policy and Management Act of 1976 (43
7 U.S.C. 1701 et seq.) and section 1(c) of the Act of
8 June 14, 1926 (commonly known as the “Recreation
9 and Public Purposes Act”) (43 U.S.C. 869(c)), not
10 later than 60 days after the date on which the sur-
11 vey is approved under paragraph (3)(A)(ii), the Sec-
12 retary shall convey to the City all right, title, and in-
13 terest of the United States in and to the parcel of
14 Federal land identified as “Tract H” on the map for
15 use as a campus for the College.

16 (2) CONDITIONS.—

17 (A) IN GENERAL.—As a condition of the
18 conveyance under paragraph (1), the Chancellor
19 and the City shall agree in writing—

20 (i) to pay any administrative costs as-
21 sociated with the conveyance, including the
22 costs of any environmental, wildlife, cul-
23 tural, or historical resources studies;

24 (ii) to use the Federal land conveyed
25 for educational and recreational purposes;

1 (iii) to release and indemnify the
2 United States from any claims or liabilities
3 which may arise from uses that are carried
4 out on the Federal land on or before the
5 date of enactment of this Act by the
6 United States or any person;

7 (iv) to provide to the Secretary, on re-
8 quest, any report, data, or other informa-
9 tion relating to the operations of the Col-
10 lege that may be necessary, as determined
11 by the Secretary, to determine whether the
12 College is in compliance with this Act;

13 (v) as soon as practicable after the
14 date of the conveyance under paragraph
15 (1), to erect at the College an appropriate
16 and centrally located monument that ac-
17 knowledges the conveyance of the Federal
18 land by the United States for the purpose
19 of furthering the higher education of citi-
20 zens in the State;

21 (vi) to provide information to the stu-
22 dents of the College on the role of the
23 United States in the establishment of the
24 College; and

1 (vii) to assist the Bureau of Land
2 Management in providing information to
3 the students of the College and the citizens
4 of the State on—

5 (I) public land in the State; and

6 (II) the role of the Bureau of
7 Land Management in managing, pre-
8 serving, and protecting the public
9 land.

10 (B) VALID EXISTING RIGHTS.—The con-
11 veyance under paragraph (1) shall be subject to
12 all valid existing rights.

13 (3) USE OF FEDERAL LAND.—

14 (A) IN GENERAL.—The College and the
15 City may use the land conveyed under para-
16 graph (1) for any purpose relating to the estab-
17 lishment, operation, growth, and maintenance
18 of the College, including the construction, oper-
19 ation, maintenance, renovation, and demolition
20 of—

21 (i) classroom facilities;

22 (ii) laboratories;

23 (iii) performance spaces;

24 (iv) student housing;

25 (v) administrative facilities;

1 (vi) sports and recreational facilities
2 and fields;

3 (vii) food service, concession, and re-
4 lated facilities;

5 (viii) parks and roads; and

6 (ix) water, gas, electricity, phone,
7 Internet, and other utility delivery systems.

8 (B) PROFITABLE ACTIVITIES.—The manu-
9 facturing, distribution, marketing, and selling
10 of refreshments, books, sundries, College logo
11 merchandise, and related materials on the Fed-
12 eral land for a profit shall be considered to be
13 an educational or recreational use for the pur-
14 poses of this section, if—

15 (i) the profitable activities are reason-
16 ably related to the educational or rec-
17 reational purposes of the College; and

18 (ii) any profits are used to further the
19 educational or recreational purposes of the
20 College.

21 (C) OTHER ENTITIES.—The College may—

22 (i) consistent with Federal and State
23 law, lease or otherwise provide property or
24 space at the College, with or without con-
25 sideration, to religious, public interest,

1 community, or other groups for services
2 and events that are of interest to the Col-
3 lege, the City, or any community located
4 in the Las Vegas Valley;

5 (ii) allow the City or any other com-
6 munity in the Las Vegas Valley to use fa-
7 cilities of the College for educational and
8 recreational programs of the City or com-
9 munity; and

10 (iii) in conjunction with the City,
11 plan, finance, (including the provision of
12 cost-share assistance), construct, and oper-
13 ate facilities for the City on the Federal
14 land conveyed for educational or rec-
15 reational purposes consistent with this sec-
16 tion.

17 (4) REVERSION.—

18 (A) NOTICE.—If the Federal land or any
19 portion of the Federal land conveyed under
20 paragraph (1) ceases to be used for the College,
21 the Secretary shall notify the President and the
22 City in writing of the intention of the Secretary
23 to reclaim title to the Federal land or any por-
24 tion of the Federal land, including any improve-

1 ments to the Federal land, on behalf of the
2 United States.

3 (B) EVIDENCE.—Not later than 180 days
4 after the date of receipt of a notification under
5 subparagraph (A), the President may submit to
6 the Secretary any evidence that the Federal
7 land, or any portion of the Federal land, is
8 being used in accordance with the purposes of
9 this section.

10 (C) PURCHASE BY UNIVERSITY SYSTEM.—

11 (i) OFFER.—Instead of reclaiming
12 title to the Federal land or any portion of
13 the Federal land under this paragraph, the
14 Secretary may allow the University system
15 to obtain title to the Federal land or any
16 portion of the Federal land in exchange for
17 payment by the University system of an
18 amount equal to the fair market value of
19 the land, excluding the value of any im-
20 provements, for any portions of the Fed-
21 eral land not being used for the purposes
22 specified in this section.

23 (ii) AUCTION.—If the University sys-
24 tem elects not to purchase the Federal
25 land under clause (i)—

1 (I) the Federal land shall revert
2 to the United States; and

3 (II) the Secretary shall—

4 (aa) dispose of the Federal
5 land at public auction for fair
6 market value; and

7 (bb) deposit the proceeds of
8 the disposal in accordance with
9 section 4(e)(1) of the Southern
10 Nevada Public Land Manage-
11 ment Act of 1998 (Public Law
12 105–263; 112 Stat. 2343).

13 **SEC. 705. CONVEYANCE TO THE CITY OF LAS VEGAS, NE-**

14 **VADA.**

15 (a) **DEFINITIONS.**—In this section:

16 (1) **CITY.**—The term “City” means the city of
17 Las Vegas, Nevada.

18 (2) **SECRETARY.**—The term “Secretary” means
19 the Secretary of the Interior, acting through the Di-
20 rector of the Bureau of Land Management.

21 (b) **CONVEYANCE.**—The Secretary shall convey to the
22 City, without consideration, all right, title, and interest of
23 the United States in and to the parcels of land identified
24 as “Tract C” and “Tract D” on the map.

1 (c) REVERSION.—If a parcel of land conveyed to the
2 City under subsection (b) ceases to be used for affordable
3 housing or for a purpose related to affordable housing, the
4 parcel shall, if determined to be appropriate by the Sec-
5 retary, revert to the United States.

6 **SEC. 706. HENDERSON ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ZONE.**

7 (a) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

8 (1) CITY.—The term “City” means the city of
9 Henderson, Nevada.

10 (2) FEDERAL LAND.—The term “Federal land”
11 means the parcels of Federal land identified as
12 “Tract G” on the map.

13 (b) CONVEYANCE.—

14 (1) IN GENERAL.—Subject to paragraph (2)
15 and valid existing rights, on request by the City, the
16 Secretary shall convey to the City, without consider-
17 ation, all right, title, and interest of the United
18 States in and to the Federal land.

19 (2) CONDITIONS.—As a condition of the convey-
20 ance of land under paragraph (1), the City shall
21 agree—

22 (A) to manage, in consultation with the
23 Clark County Department of Aviation, the land
24 in accordance with section 47504 of title 49,
25 United States Code; and

1 (B) that if any portion of the Federal land
2 is sold, leased, or otherwise conveyed by the
3 City—

4 (i) the sale, lease, or conveyance shall
5 be—

6 (I) for the purposes of imple-
7 menting the economic development
8 goals of the City;

9 (II) subject to a requirement that
10 any use of the transferred land be
11 consistent with section 47504 of title
12 49, United States Code; and

13 (III) for an amount equal to—

14 (aa) at least fair market
15 value; plus

16 (bb) as the City determines
17 to be appropriate, any adminis-
18 trative costs of the City relating
19 to the Federal land, including
20 costs—

21 (AA) associated with
22 the sale, lease, or convey-
23 ance of the Federal land;

1 (BB) for planning, en-
2 gineering, surveying, and
3 subdividing the land; and

4 (CC) as the City deter-
5 mines appropriate, for the
6 planning, design, and con-
7 struction of infrastructure
8 for the economic develop-
9 ment zone; and

10 (ii) the City shall deposit the proceeds
11 from any sale, lease, or other conveyance
12 of the Federal land, excluding any admin-
13 istrative costs received under item (bb), in
14 accordance with section 4(e)(1) of the
15 Southern Nevada Public Land Manage-
16 ment Act of 1998 (Public Law 105–263;
17 112 Stat. 2343).

18 (3) AVAILABILITY OF MAP.—The map shall be
19 on file and available for public inspection in—

20 (A) the Office of the Director of the Bu-
21 reau of Land Management;

22 (B) the Office of the State Director of the
23 Bureau of Land Management of the State; and

24 (C) the Las Vegas District Office of the
25 Bureau of Land Management.

1 (4) RESERVATION FOR RECREATIONAL OR PUB-
2 LIC PURPOSES.—

3 (A) IN GENERAL.—The City may elect to
4 use 1 or more parcels of Federal land for rec-
5 reational or public purposes under the Act of
6 June 14, 1926 (commonly known as the
7 “Recreation and Public Purposes Act”) (43
8 U.S.C. 869 et seq.).

9 (B) CONSIDERATION.—If the City makes
10 an election under subparagraph (A), the City
11 shall pay to the Bureau of Land Management
12 an amount determined under that Act.

13 (5) REVERSION.—A parcel of Federal land shall
14 revert to the United States if—

15 (A) a parcel used by the City for local rec-
16 reational or public purposes under paragraph
17 (4)—

18 (i) ceases to be used by the City for
19 such purposes; and

20 (ii) is not sold, leased, or conveyed in
21 accordance with paragraph (2)(B); or

22 (B) by the date specified in paragraph (6),
23 the City does not—

1 (i) elect to use the parcel for local rec-
2 reational or public purposes under para-
3 graph (4); or

4 (ii) sell, lease, or convey the Federal
5 parcel in accordance with paragraph
6 (2)(B).

7 (6) TERMINATION OF EFFECTIVENESS.—The
8 authority provided by this section terminates on the
9 date that is 20 years after the date of enactment of
10 this Act.

11 **SEC. 707. CONVEYANCE OF SUNRISE MOUNTAIN LANDFILL**
12 **TO CLARK COUNTY, NEVADA.**

13 (a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 1 year after the
14 date on which a cleanup of the land identified as “Tract
15 E” on the map is completed, the Secretary shall convey
16 to the County, without consideration, all right, title, and
17 interest of the United States in and to the land.

18 (b) SURVEY.—

19 (1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary shall conduct
20 a survey to determine the exact acreage and legal
21 description of the land to be conveyed under sub-
22 section (a).

23 (2) COST.—The County shall be responsible for
24 the cost of the survey conducted under paragraph
25 (1).

1 (c) CONDITIONS.—

2 (1) IN GENERAL.—As a condition of the con-
3 veyance of the land under subsection (a), the County
4 shall enter into a written agreement with the Sec-
5 retary that provides that—

6 (A) the Secretary shall not be liable for
7 any claims arising from the land after the date
8 of conveyance; and

9 (B) the County may use the land conveyed
10 for any purpose.

11 (2) VALID EXISTING RIGHTS.—

12 (A) IN GENERAL.—Except as provided in
13 subparagraph (B), the conveyance of land
14 under subsection (a) shall be subject to valid
15 existing rights.

16 (B) EXCEPTION.—On conveyance of the
17 land under subsection (a), the Secretary shall
18 terminate any lease with respect to the land
19 that—

20 (i) was issued under the Act of June
21 14, 1926 (commonly known as the “Recre-
22 ation and Public Purposes Act”) (43
23 U.S.C. 869 et seq.); and

24 (ii) is in effect on the date of enact-
25 ment of this Act.

1 (d) WAIVER OF CERTAIN REQUIREMENTS.—The con-
2 veyance of land under subsection (a)—

3 (1) shall not require the Secretary to update
4 the 1998 Las Vegas Valley Resource Management
5 Plan; and

6 (2) shall not be subject to any law (including a
7 regulation) that limits the acreage authorized to be
8 transferred by the Secretary in any transaction or
9 year.

10 **SEC. 708. OPEN SPACE LAND GRANTS.**

11 (a) CONVEYANCE.—

12 (1) IN GENERAL.—Notwithstanding section 202
13 of the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of
14 1976 (43 U.S.C. 1712), the Secretary shall convey
15 to the city of Henderson, Nevada (referred to in this
16 section as the “City”), subject to valid existing
17 rights, for no consideration, all right, title, and in-
18 terest of the United States in and to the parcel of
19 land identified as “Tract B” on the map entitled
20 “McCulloughs” and dated June 10, 2002.

21 (2) COSTS.—Any costs relating to the convey-
22 ance of the parcel of land under paragraph (1), in-
23 cluding costs for a survey and other administrative
24 costs, shall be paid by the City.

25 (b) USE OF LAND.—

1 (1) IN GENERAL.—The parcel of land conveyed
2 to the City under subsection (a)(1) shall be used—

3 (A) for the conservation of natural re-
4 sources;

5 (B) for public recreation, including hiking,
6 horseback riding, biking, and birdwatching;

7 (C) as part of a regional trail system; and

8 (D) for flood control facilities.

9 (2) FACILITIES.—Any facility on the parcel of
10 land conveyed under subsection (a)(1) shall be con-
11 structed and managed in a manner consistent with
12 the uses specified in paragraph (1).

13 (3) REVERSION.—If the parcel of land conveyed
14 under subsection (a)(1) is used in a manner that is
15 inconsistent with the uses specified in paragraph (1),
16 the parcel of land shall, if determined to be appro-
17 priate by the Secretary, revert to the United States.

18 (c) WILDERNESS RELEASE.—Congress finds that the
19 parcel of land identified in subsection (a)(1)—

20 (1) has been adequately studied for wilderness
21 designation for the purposes of section 603(c) of the
22 Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976
23 (43 U.S.C. 1782(c)); and

1 (2) shall not be subject to the requirements of
2 that section relating to the management of wilder-
3 ness study areas.

4 **SEC. 709. RELOCATION OF RIGHT-OF-WAY CORRIDOR LO-**
5 **CATED IN CLARK AND LINCOLN COUNTIES IN**
6 **THE STATE OF NEVADA.**

7 (a) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

8 (1) AGREEMENT.—The term “Agreement”
9 means the land exchange agreement between
10 Aerojet-General Corporation and the United States,
11 dated July 13, 1988.

12 (2) SECRETARY.—The term “Secretary” means
13 the Secretary of the Interior.

14 (b) RELOCATION.—The Secretary shall, without con-
15 sideration, relocate the right-of-way corridor described in
16 subsection (c) to the area described in subsection (d).

17 (c) DESCRIPTION OF RIGHT-OF-WAY CORRIDOR.—
18 The right-of-way corridor referred to in subsection (a)
19 consists of the right-of-way corridor—

20 (1) numbered U-42519;

21 (2) referred to in the patent numbered 27-88-
22 0013 and dated July 18, 1988; and

23 (3) more particularly described in section 14(a)
24 of the Agreement.

- 1 (d) DESCRIPTION OF AREA.—The area referred to in
2 subsection (a) consists of an area—
3 (1) 1,000 feet wide; and
4 (2) located west of and parallel to the centerline
5 of United States Route 93.

