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S. 2408

To adjust the boundaries of the Helena, Lolo, and Beaverhead-Deerlodge
National Forests in the State of Montana.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

MAY 11, 2004

Mr. BURNS introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred
to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources

A BILL

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head-Deerlodge National Forests in the State of Mon-
tana.

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 “Montana National For-
5 ests Boundary Adjustment Act of 2004”.

6 **SEC. 2. DEFINITIONS.**

7 In this Act:

8 (1) **FOREST.**—The term “Forest” means the
9 Helena National Forest, Lolo National Forest, and

1 Beaverhead-Deerlodge National Forest in the State
2 of Montana.

3 (2) MAP.—The term “map” means—

4 (A) the map entitled “Blackfoot Commu-
5 nity Project Acquisition Proposed Adjustments,
6 Helena National Forest Boundary” and dated
7 March 11, 2004;

8 (B) the map entitled “Blackfoot Commu-
9 nity Project Acquisition Region One, Lolo Na-
10 tional Forest Boundary” and dated March 11,
11 2004; and

12 (C) the map entitled “Blackfoot Commu-
13 nity Project Acquisition Proposed Adjustments,
14 Beaverhead-Deerlodge National Forest Bound-
15 ary Adjustment” and dated March 11, 2004.

16 (3) SECRETARY.—The term “Secretary” means
17 the Secretary of Agriculture.

18 **SEC. 3. HELENA, LOLO, AND BEAVERHEAD-DEERLODGE NA-**
19 **TIONAL FORESTS BOUNDARY ADJUSTMENT.**

20 (a) IN GENERAL.—The boundaries of the Forests are
21 modified as depicted on the maps.

22 (b) MAPS.—

23 (1) AVAILABILITY.—The maps shall be on file
24 and available for public inspection in—

1 (A) the Office of the Chief of the Forest
2 Service; and

3 (B) the office of the Regional Forester,
4 Missoula, Montana.

5 (2) CORRECTION AUTHORITY.—The Secretary
6 may make technical corrections to the maps.

7 (c) ADMINISTRATION.—Any land or interest in land
8 acquired within the boundaries of the Forests for National
9 Forest System purposes shall be managed in accordance
10 with—

11 (1) the Act of March 1, 1911 (commonly known
12 as the “Weeks Law”) (16 U.S.C. 480 et seq.); and

13 (2) the laws (including regulations) applicable
14 to the National Forest System.

15 (d) LAND AND WATER CONSERVATION FUND.—For
16 purposes of section 7 of the Land and Water Conservation
17 Fund Act of 1965 (16 U.S.C. 4601–9), the boundaries
18 of the Forests, as adjusted under subsection (a), shall be
19 considered to be the boundaries of the Forests as of Janu-
20 ary 1, 1965.

21 (e) EFFECT.—Nothing in this Act limits the author-
22 ity of the Secretary to adjust the boundaries of the Forests
23 under section 11 of the Act of March 1, 1911 (16 U.S.C.
24 521).

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