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# S. 33

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## IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

JANUARY 7, 2003

Mrs. LINCOLN introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry

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## A BILL

To authorize the Secretary of Agriculture to sell or exchange all or part of certain administrative sites and other land in the Ozark-St. Francis and Ouachita National Forests and to use funds derived from the sale or exchange to acquire, construct, or improve administrative sites.

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. SALE OR EXCHANGE OF LAND.**

4 (a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Agriculture (re-  
5 ferred to in this Act as the “Secretary”) may, under such  
6 terms and conditions as the Secretary may prescribe, sell  
7 or exchange any right, title, and interest of the United

1 States in and to the following National Forest System  
2 land and improvements:

3 (1) In the Ouachita National Forest—

4 (A) tract 1, “Work Center and two Resi-  
5 dences” (approximately 12.4 acres), as identi-  
6 fied on the map entitled “Ouachita National  
7 Forest, Waldron, Arkansas, Work Center and  
8 Residences” and dated July 26, 2000;

9 (B) tract 2, “Work Center” (approximately  
10 acres), as identified on the map entitled  
11 “Ouachita National Forest, Booneville, Arkan-  
12 sas, Work Center” and dated July 26, 2000;

13 (C) tract 3, “Residence” (approximately ½  
14 acre), as identified on the map entitled  
15 “Ouachita National Forest, Glenwood, Arkan-  
16 sas, Residence” and dated July 26, 2000;

17 (D) tract 4, “Work Center” (approxi-  
18 mately 10.12 acres), as identified on the map  
19 entitled “Ouachita National Forest, Thornburg,  
20 Arkansas, Work Center” and dated July 26,  
21 2000;

22 (E) tract 5, “Office Building” (approxi-  
23 mately 1.5 acres), as identified on the map enti-  
24 tled “Ouachita National Forest, Perryville, Ar-

1           kansas, Office Building” and dated July 26,  
2           2000;

3           (F) tract 6, “Several Buildings, Including  
4           Office Space and Equipment Depot” (approx-  
5           imately 3 acres), as identified on the map enti-  
6           tled “Ouachita National Forest, Hot Springs,  
7           Arkansas, Buildings” and dated July 26, 2000;

8           (G) tract 7, “Isolated Forestland” (ap-  
9           proximately 120 acres), as identified on the  
10          map entitled “Ouachita National Forest, Sun-  
11          shine, Arkansas, Isolated Forestland” and  
12          dated July 26, 2000;

13          (H) tract 8, “Isolated Forestland” (ap-  
14          proximately 40 acres), as identified on the map  
15          entitled “Ouachita National Forest, Sunshine,  
16          Arkansas, Isolated Forestland” and dated July  
17          26, 2000;

18          (I) tract 9, “Three Residences” (approx-  
19          imately 9.89 acres), as identified on the map en-  
20          titled “Ouachita National Forest, Heavener,  
21          Oklahoma, Three Residences” and dated July  
22          26, 2000;

23          (J) tract 10, “Work Center” (approx-  
24          imately 38.91 acres), as identified on the map  
25          entitled “Ouachita National Forest, Heavener,

1 Oklahoma, Work Center” and dated July 26,  
2 2000;

3 (K) tract 11, “Residence #1” (approxi-  
4 mately 0.45 acres), as identified on the map en-  
5 titled “Ouachita National Forest, Talihina,  
6 Oklahoma, Residence #1” and dated July 26,  
7 2000;

8 (L) tract 12, “Residence #2” (approxi-  
9 mately 0.21 acres), as identified on the map en-  
10 titled “Ouachita National Forest, Talihina,  
11 Oklahoma, Residence #2” and dated July 26,  
12 2000;

13 (M) tract 13, “Work Center” (approxi-  
14 mately 5 acres), as identified on the map enti-  
15 tled “Ouachita National Forest, Big Cedar,  
16 Oklahoma, Work Center” and dated July 26,  
17 2000;

18 (N) tract 14, “Residence” (approximately  
19 0.5 acres), as identified on the map entitled  
20 “Ouachita National Forest, Idabel, Oklahoma,  
21 Residence” and dated July 26, 2000;

22 (O) tract 15, “Residence and Work Cen-  
23 ter” (approximately 40 acres), as identified on  
24 the map entitled “Ouachita National Forest,

1 Idabel, Oklahoma, Residence and Work Center”  
2 and dated July 26, 2000; and

3 (P) tract 16, “Isolated Forestland” at sec.  
4 30, T. 2 S., R. 25 W. (approximately 2.08  
5 acres), as identified on the map entitled  
6 “Ouachita National Forest, Mt. Ida, Arkansas,  
7 Isolated Forestland” and dated August 27,  
8 2001.

9 (2) In the Ozark-St. Francis National Forest—

10 (A) tract 1, “Tract 750, District 1, Two  
11 Residences, Administrative Office” (approx-  
12 imately 8.96 acres), as identified on the map  
13 entitled “Ozark-St. Francis National Forest,  
14 Mountain View, Arkansas, Tract 750, District  
15 1, Two Residences, Administrative Office” and  
16 dated July 26, 2000;

17 (B) tract 2, “Tract 2736, District 5,  
18 Mountainburg Work Center” (approximately  
19 1.61 acres), as identified on the map entitled  
20 “Ozark-St. Francis National Forest,  
21 Mountainburg, Arkansas, Tract 2736, District  
22 5, Mountainburg Work Center” and dated July  
23 26, 2000;

24 (C) tract 3, “Tract 2686, District 6,  
25 House” (approximately 0.31 acres), as identi-

1           fied on the map entitled “Ozark-St. Francis  
2           National Forest, Paris, Arkansas, Tract 2686,  
3           District 6 House” and dated July 26, 2000;

4           (D) tract 4, “Tract 2807, District 6,  
5           House” (approximately 0.25 acres), as identi-  
6           fied on the map entitled “Ozark-St. Francis  
7           National Forest, Paris, Arkansas, Tract 2807,  
8           District 6, House” and dated July 26, 2000;

9           (E) tract 5, “Tract 2556, District 3, Dover  
10          Work Center” (approximately 2.0 acres), as  
11          identified on the map entitled “Ozark-St.  
12          Francis National Forest, Dover, Arkansas,  
13          Tract 2556, District 3, Dover Work Center”  
14          and dated July 26, 2000;

15          (F) tract 6, “Tract 2735, District 2,  
16          House” (approximately 0.514 acres), as identi-  
17          fied on the map entitled “Ozark-St. Francis  
18          National Forest, Jasper, Arkansas, Tract 2735,  
19          District 2, House” and dated July 26, 2000;  
20          and

21          (G) tract 7, “Tract 2574, District 2,  
22          House” (approximately 0.75 acres), as identi-  
23          fied on the map entitled “Ozark-St. Francis  
24          National Forest, Jasper, Arkansas, Tract 2574,  
25          District 2, House” and dated July 26, 2000.

1 (b) APPLICABLE AUTHORITIES.—Except as other-  
2 wise provided in this Act, any sale or exchange of land  
3 described in subsection (a) shall be subject to laws (includ-  
4 ing regulations) applicable to the conveyance and acquisi-  
5 tion of land for National Forest System purposes.

6 (c) CASH EQUALIZATION.—Notwithstanding any  
7 other provision of law, the Secretary may accept cash  
8 equalization payments in excess of 25 percent of the total  
9 value of the land described in subsection (a) from any ex-  
10 change under subsection (a).

11 (d) SOLICITATIONS OF OFFERS.—

12 (1) IN GENERAL.—In carrying out this Act, the  
13 Secretary may use solicitations of offers for sale or  
14 exchange under this Act on such terms and condi-  
15 tions as the Secretary may prescribe.

16 (2) REJECTION OF OFFERS.—The Secretary  
17 may reject any offer under this Act if the Secretary  
18 determines that the offer is not adequate or not in  
19 the public interest.

20 **SEC. 2. DISPOSITION OF FUNDS.**

21 Any funds received by the Secretary through sale or  
22 by cash equalization from an exchange—

23 (1) shall be deposited into the fund established  
24 by Public Law 90–171 (commonly known as the  
25 “Sisk Act”) (16 U.S.C. 484a); and

1           (2) shall be available for expenditure, without  
2 further Act of appropriation, for the acquisition,  
3 construction, or improvement of administrative fa-  
4 cilities, land, or interests in land for the national  
5 forests in the States of Arkansas and Oklahoma.

6 **SEC. 3. AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.**

7           There are authorized to be appropriated such sums  
8 as are necessary to carry out this Act.

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