

# Union Calendar No. 378

113<sup>TH</sup> CONGRESS  
2<sup>D</sup> SESSION

# H. R. 4458

**[Report No. 113-506]**

To make permanent the withdrawal and reservation of public land previously withdrawn and reserved to support the operations of Naval Air Weapons Station China Lake, California, and to provide for the withdrawal and reservation of additional public land.

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

APRIL 10, 2014

Mr. McCARTHY of California introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Natural Resources

JUNE 30, 2014

Reported with an amendment, committed to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union, and ordered to be printed

[Strike out all after the enacting clause and insert the part printed in *italie*]

[For text of introduced bill, see copy of bill as introduced on April 10, 2014]

# **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.**

4 *This Act may be cited as the “Naval Air Weapons Sta-*  
5 *tion China Lake Security Enhancement Act”.*

6 **SEC. 2. WITHDRAWAL AND RESERVATION OF PUBLIC LAND**

7 **FOR NAVAL AIR WEAPONS STATION CHINA**

8 **LAKE, CALIFORNIA.**

9 *(a) PERMANENT WITHDRAWAL AND RESERVATION.—*

10 *Section 2979 of the Military Construction Authorization*  
11 *Act for Fiscal Year 2014 (division B of Public Law 113–*  
12 *66; 127 Stat. 1047) is amended to read as follows:*

13 **“SEC. 2979. PERMANENT WITHDRAWAL AND RESERVATION.**

14 *“The withdrawal and reservation of public land made*  
15 *by section 2971 shall not terminate, except pursuant to—*

16 *“(1) an election and determination by the Sec-*  
17 *retary of the Navy to relinquish the land under sec-*  
18 *tion 2922; or*

19 *“(2) a transfer by the Secretary of the Interior*  
20 *of permanent administrative jurisdiction over the*  
21 *land to the Secretary of the Navy.”.*

22 *(b) WITHDRAWAL AND RESERVATION OF ADDITIONAL*  
23 *PUBLIC LAND.—Section 2971(b) of the Military Construc-*  
24 *tion Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2014 (division B*  
25 *of Public Law 113–66; 127 Stat. 1044) is amended—*

1           (1) by striking “The public land” and inserting  
2           the following:

3           “(1) *INITIAL WITHDRAWAL.—The public land*”;  
4           and

5           (2) by adding at the end the following new para-  
6           graph:

7           “(2) *ADDITIONAL WITHDRAWAL.—Subject to*  
8           *valid existing rights, the public land (including inter-*  
9           *ests in land) referred to in subsection (a) also in-*  
10          *cludes the approximately 26,313 acres of public land*  
11          *(including interests in land) known as the Cuddeback*  
12          *Lake Air Force Range, as described in section 2 of*  
13          *Public Law 88–46 (77 Stat. 70), and an additional*  
14          *approximately 18,933 acres of public land in San*  
15          *Bernardino County, California, identified as ‘Pro-*  
16          *posed Navy Acquisition Area’ (but excluding the par-*  
17          *cel identified as ‘AF Fee Simple’) on the map entitled*  
18          *‘Cuddeback Land Area’ and dated April 1, 2014, and*  
19          *filed in accordance with section 2912, except that the*  
20          *withdrawal area specifically excludes any public land*  
21          *included within the Grass Valley Wilderness and all*  
22          *private lands otherwise located within the boundaries*  
23          *of the withdrawal area. The Secretary of the Navy*  
24          *shall ensure that the owners of the excluded private*

1       *land continue to have reasonable access to their pri-*  
2       *vate land.”.*

3       (c) *MANAGEMENT OF ADDITIONAL PUBLIC LAND.—*  
4       *Section 2973 of the Military Construction Authorization*  
5       *Act for Fiscal Year 2014 (division B of Public Law 113–*  
6       *66; 127 Stat. 1045) is amended by adding at the end the*  
7       *following new subsection:*

8           “(d) *ADDITIONAL MANAGEMENT CONSIDERATIONS FOR*  
9       *CERTAIN LANDS.—Subject to existing laws and to the ex-*  
10       *tent possible without compromising mission readiness, the*  
11       *Secretary of the Navy shall manage the additional lands*  
12       *withdrawn by section 2971(b)(2) to protect existing his-*  
13       *toric, economic, cultural, recreational, hunting, and sci-*  
14       *entific features and uses, including access to existing road-*  
15       *ways and trails.”.*

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