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## IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

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Mr. REID (for himself and Mr. HELLER) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Indian Affairs

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## A BILL

To require the Secretary of the Interior to convey certain Federal land to Elko County, Nevada, and to take land into trust for certain Indian tribes, and for other purposes.

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       “Nevada Native Nations Land Act”.

6       (b) TABLE OF CONTENTS.—The table of contents for

7       this Act is as follows:

See. 1. Short title; table of contents.

See. 2. Definition of Secretary.

**TITLE I—ELKO MOTOCROSS LAND CONVEYANCE**

Sec. 101. Definitions.

Sec. 102. Conveyance of land to county.

**TITLE II—CONVEYANCE OF LAND TO INDIAN TRIBES**

Sec. 201. Conveyance of land to be held in trust for certain Indian tribes.

Sec. 202. Administration.

**1 SEC. 2. DEFINITION OF SECRETARY.**

2 In this Act, the term “Secretary” means the Sec-  
3 retary of the Interior.

**4 TITLE I—ELKO MOTOCROSS  
5 LAND CONVEYANCE****6 SEC. 101. DEFINITIONS.**

7 In this title:

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

10 (2) COUNTY.—The term “county” means the  
11 county of Elko, Nevada.

12 (3) MAP.—The term “map” means the map en-  
13 titled “Elko Motocross Park” and dated January 9,  
14 2010.

**15 SEC. 102. CONVEYANCE OF LAND TO COUNTY.**

16 (a) IN GENERAL.—As soon as practicable after the  
17 date of enactment of this Act, subject to valid existing  
18 rights and this section, the Secretary shall convey to the  
19 county, without consideration, all right, title, and interest  
20 of the United States in and to the land described in sub-  
21 section (b).

1       (b) DESCRIPTION OF LAND.—The land referred to in  
2 subsection (a) consists of approximately 275 acres of land  
3 managed by the Bureau of Land Management, Elko Dis-  
4 trict, Nevada, as generally depicted on the map as “Elko  
5 Motocross Park”.

6       (c) MAP AND LEGAL DESCRIPTION.—

7           (1) IN GENERAL.—As soon as practicable after  
8 the date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary  
9 shall finalize the legal description of the parcel to be  
10 conveyed under this section.

11          (2) MINOR ERRORS.—The Secretary may cor-  
12 rect any minor error in—

13              (A) the map; or  
14              (B) the legal description.

15          (3) AVAILABILITY.—The map and legal descrip-  
16 tion shall be on file and available for public inspec-  
17 tion in the appropriate offices of the Bureau of  
18 Land Management.

19          (d) USE OF CONVEYED LAND.—The land conveyed  
20 under this section shall be used only as a motocross, bicy-  
21 cle, off-highway vehicle, or stock car racing area, or for  
22 any other public purpose consistent with uses allowed  
23 under the Act of June 14, 1926 (commonly known as the  
24 “Recreation and Public Purposes Act”) (43 U.S.C. 869  
25 et seq.).

1       (e) ADMINISTRATIVE COSTS.—The Secretary shall  
2 require the county to pay all survey costs and other admin-  
3 istrative costs necessary for the preparation and comple-  
4 tion of any patents for, and transfers of title to, the land  
5 described in subsection (b).

6       (f) REVERSION.—If the land conveyed under this sec-  
7 tion ceases to be used for a public purpose in accordance  
8 with subsection (d), the land shall, at the discretion of the  
9 Secretary, revert to the United States.

10      **TITLE II—CONVEYANCE OF  
11           LAND TO INDIAN TRIBES**

12      **SEC. 201. CONVEYANCE OF LAND TO BE HELD IN TRUST  
13           FOR CERTAIN INDIAN TRIBES.**

14       (a) TE-MOAK TRIBE OF WESTERN SHOSHONE INDI-  
15 ANS OF NEVADA (ELKO BAND).—

16           (1) DEFINITION OF MAP.—In this subsection,  
17 the term “map” means the map entitled “Te-moak  
18 Tribal Land Expansion”, dated September 30, 2008,  
19 and on file and available for public inspection in the  
20 appropriate offices of the Bureau of Land Manage-  
21 ment.

22           (2) CONVEYANCE OF LAND.—Subject to valid  
23 existing rights, all right, title, and interest of the  
24 United States in and to the land described in para-  
25 graph (3)—

1                             (A) is held in trust by the United States  
2                             for the benefit of the Te-Moak Tribe of Western  
3                             Shoshone Indians of Nevada (Elko Band); and

4                             (B) shall be part of the reservation of the  
5                             Te-Moak Tribe of Western Shoshone Indians of  
6                             Nevada (Elko Band).

7                             (3) DESCRIPTION OF LAND.—The land referred  
8                             to in paragraph (2) is the approximately 373 acres  
9                             of land administered by the Bureau of Land Man-  
10                          agement as generally depicted on the map as  
11                          “Lands to be Held in Trust”.

12                         (b) CONVEYANCE OF LAND TO BE HELD IN TRUST  
13                         FOR THE FORT McDERRIMITT PAIUTE AND SHOSHONE  
14                         TRIBE.—

15                         (1) DEFINITION OF MAP.—In this subsection,  
16                         the term “map” means the map entitled “Fort  
17                         McDermitt Indian Reservation Expansion Act”,  
18                         dated February 21, 2013, and on file and available  
19                         for public inspection in the appropriate offices of the  
20                         Bureau of Land Management.

21                         (2) CONVEYANCE OF LAND.—Subject to valid  
22                         existing rights, all right, title, and interest of the  
23                         United States in and to the land described in para-  
24                         graph (3)—

1                             (A) is held in trust by the United States  
2                             for the benefit of the Fort McDermitt Paiute  
3                             and Shoshone Tribe; and

4                             (B) shall be part of the reservation of the  
5                             Fort McDermitt Paiute and Shoshone Tribe.

6                             (3) DESCRIPTION OF LAND.—The land referred  
7                             to in paragraph (2) is the approximately 19,094  
8                             acres of land administered by the Bureau of Land  
9                             Management as generally depicted on the map as  
10                             “Reservation Expansion Lands”.

11                             (c) CONVEYANCE OF LAND TO BE HELD IN TRUST  
12                             FOR THE SHOSHONE PAIUTE TRIBES.—

13                             (1) DEFINITION OF MAP.—In this subsection,  
14                             the term “map” means the map entitled “Mountain  
15                             City Administrative Site Proposed Acquisition”,  
16                             dated July 29, 2013, and on file and available for  
17                             public inspection in the appropriate offices of the  
18                             Forest Service.

19                             (2) CONVEYANCE OF LAND.—Subject to valid  
20                             existing rights, all right, title, and interest of the  
21                             United States in and to the land described in para-  
22                             graph (3)—

23                             (A) is held in trust by the United States  
24                             for the benefit of the Shoshone Paiute Tribes of  
25                             the Duck Valley Indian Reservation; and

1                                 (B) shall be part of the reservation of the  
2                                 Shoshone Paiute Tribes of the Duck Valley In-  
3                                 dian Reservation.

4                                 (3) DESCRIPTION OF LAND.—The land referred  
5                                 to in paragraph (2) is the approximately 82 acres of  
6                                 land administered by the Forest Service as generally  
7                                 depicted on the map as “Proposed Acquisition Site”.

8                                 (d) TRANSFER OF LAND TO BE HELD IN TRUST FOR  
9                                 THE SUMMIT LAKE PAIUTE TRIBE.—

10                                 (1) DEFINITION OF MAP.—In this section, the  
11                                 term “map” means the map entitled “Summit Lake  
12                                 Indian Reservation Conveyance”, dated February  
13                                 28, 2013, and on file and available for public inspec-  
14                                 tion in the appropriate offices of the Bureau of  
15                                 Land Management.

16                                 (2) CONVEYANCE OF LAND.—Subject to valid  
17                                 existing rights, all right, title, and interest of the  
18                                 United States in and to the land described in para-  
19                                 graph (3)—

20                                 (A) is held in trust by the United States  
21                                 for the benefit of the Summit Lake Paiute  
22                                 Tribe; and

23                                 (B) shall be part of the reservation of the  
24                                 Summit Lake Paiute Tribe.

1                             (3) DESCRIPTION OF LAND.—The land referred  
2       to in paragraph (2) is the approximately 941 acres  
3       of land administered by the Bureau of Land Man-  
4       agement as generally depicted on the map as “Res-  
5       ervation Conveyance Lands”.

6                             (e) TRANSFER OF LAND TO BE HELD IN TRUST FOR  
7       THE RENO-SPARKS INDIAN COLONY LAND.—

8                             (1) DEFINITION OF MAP.—In this subsection,  
9       the term “map” means the map entitled “Reno-  
10      Sparks Indian Colony Expansion”, dated June 11,  
11      2014, and on file and available for public inspection  
12      in the appropriate offices of the Bureau of Land  
13      Management.

14                             (2) CONVEYANCE OF LAND.—Subject to valid  
15      existing rights, all right, title, and interest of the  
16      United States in and to the land described in para-  
17      graph (3)—

18                             (A) is held in trust by the United States  
19      for the benefit of the Reno-Sparks Indian Col-  
20      ony; and

21                             (B) shall be part of the reservation of the  
22      Reno-Sparks Indian Colony.

23                             (3) DESCRIPTION OF LAND.—The land referred  
24       to in paragraph (2) is the approximately 13,434  
25       acres of land administered by the Bureau of Land

1       Management as generally depicted on the map as  
2       “RSIC Amended Boundary”.

3           (f) TRANSFER OF LAND TO BE HELD IN TRUST FOR  
4 THE PYRAMID LAKE PAIUTE TRIBE.—

5           (1) MAP.—In this subsection, the term “map”  
6 means the map entitled “Pyramid Lake Indian Res-  
7 ervation Expansion”, dated June 9, 2014, and on  
8 file and available for public inspection in the appro-  
9 priate offices of the Bureau of Land Management.

10          (2) CONVEYANCE OF LAND.—Subject to valid  
11 existing rights, all right, title, and interest of the  
12 United States in and to the land described in para-  
13 graph (1)—

14           (A) is held in trust by the United States  
15 for the benefit of the Pyramid Lake Paiute  
16 Tribe; and

17           (B) shall be part of the reservation of the  
18 Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe.

19           (3) DESCRIPTION OF LAND.—The land referred  
20 to in paragraph (2) is the approximately 30,669  
21 acres of land administered by the Bureau of Land  
22 Management as generally depicted on the map as  
23 “Reservation Expansion Lands”.

1       (g) TRANSFER OF LAND TO BE HELD IN TRUST FOR  
2 THE TE-MOAK TRIBE OF WESTERN SHOSHONE INDIANS  
3 OF NEVADA (SOUTH FORK BAND).—

4           (1) RELEASE OF WILDERNESS STUDY AREA.—

5               (A) FINDING.—Congress finds that, for  
6 the purposes of section 603(c) of the Federal  
7 Land Policy and Management Act of 1976 (43  
8 U.S.C. 1782(c)), the Red Spring wilderness  
9 study area has been adequately studied for wil-  
10 derness designation.

11              (B) RELEASE.—The public land described  
12 in subparagraph (A) is no longer subject to sec-  
13 tion 603(c) of the Federal Land Policy and  
14 Management Act of 1976 (43 U.S.C. 1782(c)).

15           (2) TRANSFER OF LAND TO BE HELD IN TRUST  
16 FOR THE TE-MOAK TRIBE OF WESTERN SHOSHONE  
17 INDIANS OF NEVADA (SOUTH FORK BAND).—

18               (A) DEFINITION OF MAP.—In this para-  
19 graph, the term “map” means the map entitled  
20 “South Fork Indian Reservation Expansion”,  
21 dated June 9, 2014, and on file and available  
22 for public inspection in the appropriate offices  
23 of the Bureau of Land Management.

24               (B) CONVEYANCE OF LAND.—

1                                     (i) IN GENERAL.—Subject to clause  
2                                     (ii) and all valid existing rights, all right,  
3                                     title, and interest of the United States in  
4                                     and to the land described in subparagraph  
5                                     (C)—

6                                     (I) is held in trust by the United  
7                                     States for the benefit of the Te-Moak  
8                                     Tribe of Western Shoshone Indians of  
9                                     Nevada (South Fork Band); and

10                                    (II) shall be part of the reserva-  
11                                     tion of the Te-Moak Tribe of Western  
12                                     Shoshone Indians of Nevada (South  
13                                     Fork Band).

14                                    (ii) EXCEPTION.—The oversight and  
15                                     renewal of all oil and gas leases in exist-  
16                                     ence on the date of the enactment of this  
17                                     Act shall remain the responsibility of the  
18                                     Bureau of Land Management in consulta-  
19                                     tion with the South Fork Band Council.

20                                    (C) DESCRIPTION OF LAND.—The land re-  
21                                     ferred to in subparagraph (B) is the approxi-  
22                                     mately 28,162 acres of land administered by  
23                                     the Bureau of Land Management as generally  
24                                     depicted on the map as “Reservation Expansion  
25                                     Lands”.

1   **SEC. 202. ADMINISTRATION.**

2       (a) SURVEY.—Not later than 180 days after the date  
3   of enactment of this Act, the Secretary shall complete a  
4   survey of the boundary lines to establish the boundaries  
5   of the land taken into trust for each Indian tribe under  
6   section 201.

7       (b) USE OF TRUST LAND.—

8           (1) GAMING.—Land taken into trust under sec-  
9   tion 201 shall not be eligible, or considered to have  
10   been taken into trust, for class II gaming or class  
11   III gaming (as those terms are defined in section 4  
12   of the Indian Gaming Regulatory Act (25 U.S.C.  
13   2703)).

14           (2) GENERAL USES.—

15              (A) IN GENERAL.—Each Indian tribe for  
16   which land is taken into trust under section  
17   201 shall use the land taken into trust under  
18   that section only for—

- 19                  (i) traditional and customary uses;
- 20                  (ii) stewardship conservation for the  
21   benefit of the Indian tribe;
- 22                  (iii) residential or recreational devel-  
23   opment;
- 24                  (iv) renewable energy development; or
- 25                  (v) mineral development.

1                                     (B) OTHER USES.—If an Indian tribe for  
2                                     which land is taken into trust under section  
3                                     201 uses any portion of the land taken into  
4                                     trust under that section for a purpose other  
5                                     than a purpose described in subparagraph (A),  
6                                     that Indian tribe shall pay to the Secretary an  
7                                     amount that is equal to the fair market value  
8                                     of the portion of the land, as determined by an  
9                                     appraisal.

10                                    (C) APPRAISAL.—The Secretary shall de-  
11                                     termine the fair market value of the land under  
12                                     paragraph (2)(B) based on an appraisal that is  
13                                     performed in accordance with—

- 14                                     (i) the Uniform Appraisal Standards  
15                                     for Federal Land Acquisitions;
- 16                                     (ii) the Uniform Standards of Profes-  
17                                     sional Appraisal Practices; and
- 18                                     (iii) any other applicable law (includ-  
19                                     ing regulations).

20                                    (3) THINNING; LANDSCAPE RESTORATION.—  
21                                     With respect to the land taken into trust under sec-  
22                                     tion 201, the Secretary, in consultation and coordi-  
23                                     nation with the applicable Indian tribe, may carry  
24                                     out any fuel reduction and other landscape restora-  
25                                     tion activities, including restoration of sage grouse

1 habitat, on the land that is beneficial to the Indian  
2 tribe and the Bureau of Land Management.

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