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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. ZINKE introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Agriculture, and in addition to the Committee on Natural Resources, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned

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 “National Forest Collaborative Incentive Act of 2015”.

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

Sec. 1. Short title; table of contents.

TITLE I—EXPEDITED ENVIRONMENTAL ANALYSIS OF
 COLLABORATIVE FOREST MANAGEMENT ACTIVITIES

Sec. 101. Definitions.

Sec. 102. Analysis of only two alternatives (action versus no action) in proposed
 collaborative forest management activities.

TITLE II—COLLABORATIVE PROJECT LITIGATION REQUIREMENT

Sec. 201. Definitions.

Sec. 202. Bond requirement as part of legal challenge of certain forest manage-
 ment activities.

TITLE III—SECURE RURAL SCHOOLS AND COMMUNITY SELF-
 DETERMINATION ACT AMENDMENTS

Sec. 301. Use of reserved funds for title II projects on Federal land and certain
 non-Federal land.

Sec. 302. Resource advisory committees.

Sec. 303. Program for title II self-sustaining resource advisory committee
 projects.

Sec. 304. Additional authorized use of reserved funds for title III county
 projects.

TITLE IV—ADDITIONAL FUNDING SOURCES FOR FOREST
 MANAGEMENT ACTIVITIES

Sec. 401. Definitions.

Sec. 402. Availability of stewardship project revenues and Collaborative Forest
 Landscape Restoration Fund to cover forest management activ-
 ity planning costs.

Sec. 403. State-supported planning of forest management activities.

1 **TITLE I—EXPEDITED ENVIRON-**
2 **MENTAL ANALYSIS OF COL-**
3 **LABORATIVE FOREST MAN-**
4 **AGEMENT ACTIVITIES**

5 **SEC. 101. DEFINITIONS.**

6 In this title:

7 (1) **COLLABORATIVE PROCESS.**—The term “col-
8 laborative process” refers to a process relating to the
9 management of National Forest System lands by
10 which a project or activity is developed and imple-
11 mented by the Secretary through collaboration with
12 interested persons, as described in section
13 603(b)(1)(C) of the Healthy Forests Restoration Act
14 of 2003 (16 U.S.C. 6591b(b)(1)(C)).

15 (2) **COMMUNITY WILDFIRE PROTECTION**
16 **PLAN.**—The term “community wildfire protection
17 plan” has the meaning given that term in section
18 101(3) of the Healthy Forests Restoration Act of
19 2003 (16 U.S.C. 6511(3)).

20 (3) **FOREST MANAGEMENT ACTIVITY.**—The
21 term “forest management activity” means a project
22 or activity carried out by the Secretary on National
23 Forest System lands in concert with the forest plan
24 covering the lands.

1 (4) FOREST PLAN.—The term “forest plan”
2 means a land and resource management plan pre-
3 pared by the Secretary for a unit of the National
4 Forest System pursuant to section 6 of the Forest
5 and Rangeland Renewable Resources Planning Act
6 of 1974 (16 U.S.C. 1604).

7 (5) NATIONAL FOREST SYSTEM.—The term
8 “National Forest System” has the meaning given
9 that term in section 11(a) of the Forest and Range-
10 land Renewable Resources Planning Act of 1974 (16
11 U.S.C. 1609(a)), except that the term—

12 (A) includes only National Forest System
13 lands derived from the public domain; and

14 (B) does not include the National Grass-
15 lands and land utilization projects designated as
16 National Grasslands administered pursuant to
17 the Act of July 22, 1937 (7 U.S.C. 1010–
18 1012).

19 (6) RESOURCE ADVISORY COMMITTEE.—The
20 term “resource advisory committee” has the mean-
21 ing given that term in section 201(3) of the Secure
22 Rural Schools and Community Self-Determination
23 Act of 2000 (16 U.S.C. 7121(3)).

1 (7) SECRETARY.—The term “Secretary” means
2 the Secretary of Agriculture, acting through the
3 Chief of the Forest Service.

4 **SEC. 102. ANALYSIS OF ONLY TWO ALTERNATIVES (ACTION**
5 **VERSUS NO ACTION) IN PROPOSED COLLABO-**
6 **RATIVE FOREST MANAGEMENT ACTIVITIES.**

7 (a) APPLICATION TO CERTAIN ENVIRONMENTAL AS-
8 SESSMENTS AND ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATE-
9 MENTS.—This section shall apply whenever the Secretary
10 prepares an environmental assessment or an environ-
11 mental impact statement pursuant to section 102(2) of the
12 National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (42 U.S.C.
13 4332(2)) for a forest management activity that—

14 (1) is developed through a collaborative process;

15 (2) is proposed by a resource advisory com-
16 mittee; or

17 (3) is covered by a community wildfire protec-
18 tion plan.

19 (b) CONSIDERATION OF ALTERNATIVES.—In an envi-
20 ronmental assessment or environmental impact statement
21 described in subsection (a), the Secretary shall study, de-
22 velop, and describe—

23 (1) the forest management activity, as proposed
24 pursuant to paragraph (1), (2), or (3) of subsection

25 (a); and

1 (2) the alternative of no action.

2 (c) ELEMENTS OF NON-ACTION ALTERNATIVE.—In
3 the case of the alternative of no action, the Secretary shall
4 evaluate—

5 (1) the effect of no action on wildfire potential
6 and insect and disease potential; and

7 (2) the implications of a resulting wildfire or in-
8 sect or disease infestation, given fire and insect and
9 disease historic cycles, on domestic water costs, wild-
10 life habitat loss, and other economic and social fac-
11 tors.

12 **TITLE II—COLLABORATIVE**
13 **PROJECT LITIGATION RE-**
14 **QUIREMENT**

15 **SEC. 201. DEFINITIONS.**

16 In this title:

17 (1) COLLABORATIVE PROCESS.—The term “col-
18 laborative process” refers to a process relating to the
19 management of National Forest System lands by
20 which a project or activity is developed and imple-
21 mented by the Secretary through collaboration with
22 interested persons, as described in section
23 603(b)(1)(C) of the Healthy Forests Restoration Act
24 of 2003 (16 U.S.C. 6591b(b)(1)(C)).

1 (2) COSTS.—The term “costs” refers to the
2 fees and costs described in section 1920 of title 28,
3 United States Code.

4 (3) EXPENSES.—The term “expenses” includes
5 the expenditures incurred by the staff of the Sec-
6 retary in preparing for a legal challenge to a collabo-
7 rative forest management activity and in partici-
8 pating in litigation that challenges the forest man-
9 agement activity, including such staff time as may
10 be used to prepare the administrative record, exhib-
11 its, declarations, and affidavits in connection with
12 the litigation.

13 (4) FOREST MANAGEMENT ACTIVITY.—The
14 term “forest management activity” means a project
15 or activity carried out by the Secretary on National
16 Forest System lands in concert with the forest plan
17 covering the lands.

18 (5) FOREST PLAN.—The term “forest plan”
19 means a land and resource management plan pre-
20 pared by the Secretary for a unit of the National
21 Forest System pursuant to section 6 of the Forest
22 and Rangeland Renewable Resources Planning Act
23 of 1974 (16 U.S.C. 1604).

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1 that term in section 11(a) of the Forest and Range-
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5 lands derived from the public domain; and

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7 lands and land utilization projects designated as
8 National Grasslands administered pursuant to
9 the Act of July 22, 1937 (7 U.S.C. 1010–
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12 term “resource advisory committee” has the mean-
13 ing given that term in section 201(3) of the Secure
14 Rural Schools and Community Self-Determination
15 Act of 2000 (16 U.S.C. 7121(3)).

16 (8) SECRETARY.—The term “Secretary” means
17 the Secretary of Agriculture, acting through the
18 Chief of the Forest Service.

19 **SEC. 202. BOND REQUIREMENT AS PART OF LEGAL CHAL-**
20 **LENGE OF CERTAIN FOREST MANAGEMENT**
21 **ACTIVITIES.**

22 (a) BOND REQUIRED.—In the case of a forest man-
23 agement activity developed through a collaborative process
24 or proposed by a resource advisory committee, any plain-
25 tiff or plaintiffs challenging the forest management activ-

1 ity shall be required to post a bond or other security ac-
2 ceptable to the court equal to the anticipated costs, ex-
3 penses, and attorneys fees of the Secretary as defendant,
4 as reasonably estimated by the Secretary. All proceedings
5 in the action shall be stayed until the required bond or
6 security is provided.

7 (b) RECOVERY OF LITIGATION COSTS, EXPENSES,
8 AND ATTORNEYS FEES.—

9 (1) MOTION FOR PAYMENT.—If the Secretary
10 prevails in an action challenging a forest manage-
11 ment activity described in subsection (a), the Sec-
12 retary shall submit to the court a motion for pay-
13 ment, from the bond or other security posted under
14 subsection (a) in such action, of the reasonable
15 costs, expenses, and attorneys fees incurred by the
16 Secretary.

17 (2) MAXIMUM AMOUNT RECOVERED.—The
18 amount of costs, expenses, and attorneys fees recov-
19 ered by the Secretary under paragraph (1) as a re-
20 sult of prevailing in an action challenging the forest
21 management activity may not exceed the amount of
22 the bond or other security posted under subsection
23 (a) in such action.

24 (3) RETURN OF REMAINDER.—Any funds re-
25 maining from the bond or other security posted

1 under subsection (a) after the payment of costs, ex-
2 penses, and attorneys fees under paragraph (1) shall
3 be returned to the plaintiff or plaintiffs that posted
4 the bond or security in the action.

5 (c) RETURN OF BOND TO PREVAILING PLAINTIFF.—

6 (1) IN GENERAL.—If the plaintiff ultimately
7 prevails on the merits in all actions brought by the
8 plaintiff challenging a forest management activity
9 described in subsection (a), the court shall return to
10 the plaintiff any bond or security provided by the
11 plaintiff under subsection (a), plus interest from the
12 date the bond or security was provided.

13 (2) ULTIMATELY PREVAILS ON THE MERITS.—

14 In this subsection, the phrase “ultimately prevails on
15 the merits” means, in a final enforceable judgment
16 on the merits, a court rules in favor of the plaintiff
17 on all causes of action in all actions brought by the
18 plaintiff challenging the forest management activity.

19 (d) EFFECT OF SETTLEMENT.—If a challenge to a
20 forest management activity described in subsection (a) for
21 which a bond or other security was provided by the plain-
22 tiff under such subsection is resolved by settlement be-
23 tween the Secretary and the plaintiff, the settlement
24 agreement shall provide for sharing the costs, expenses,
25 and attorneys fees incurred by the parties.

1 (e) LIMITATION ON CERTAIN PAYMENTS.—Notwith-
2 standing section 1304 of title 31, United States Code, no
3 award may be made under section 2412 of title 28, United
4 States Code, and no amounts may be obligated or ex-
5 pended from the Claims and Judgment Fund of the
6 United States Treasury to pay any fees or other expenses
7 under such sections to any plaintiff related to an action
8 challenging a forest management activity described in sub-
9 section (a).

10 **TITLE III—SECURE RURAL**
11 **SCHOOLS AND COMMUNITY**
12 **SELF-DETERMINATION ACT**
13 **AMENDMENTS**

14 **SEC. 301. USE OF RESERVED FUNDS FOR TITLE II**
15 **PROJECTS ON FEDERAL LAND AND CERTAIN**
16 **NON-FEDERAL LAND.**

17 (a) REPEAL OF MERCHANTABLE TIMBER CON-
18 TRACTING PILOT PROGRAM.—Section 204(e) of the Se-
19 cure Rural Schools and Community Self-Determination
20 Act of 2000 (16 U.S.C. 7124(e)) is amended by striking
21 paragraph (3).

22 (b) REQUIREMENTS FOR PROJECT FUNDS.—Section
23 204 of the Secure Rural Schools and Community Self-De-
24 termination Act of 2000 (16 U.S.C. 7124) is amended by

1 striking subsection (f) and inserting the following new
2 subsection:

3 “(f) REQUIREMENTS FOR PROJECT FUNDS.—

4 “(1) IN GENERAL.—Subject to paragraph (2),
5 the Secretary concerned shall ensure that at least 50
6 percent of the project funds reserved by a partici-
7 pating county under section 102(d) shall be available
8 only for projects that—

9 “(A) include the sale of timber or other
10 forest products; and

11 “(B) implement stewardship objectives
12 that enhance forest ecosystems or restore and
13 improve land health and water quality.

14 “(2) APPLICABILITY.—The requirement in
15 paragraph (1) shall apply only to project funds re-
16 served by a participating county whose boundaries
17 include Federal land that the Secretary concerned
18 determines has been subject to a timber or other for-
19 est products program within 5 fiscal years before the
20 fiscal year in which the funds are reserved.”.

21 **SEC. 302. RESOURCE ADVISORY COMMITTEES.**

22 (a) RECOGNITION OF RESOURCE ADVISORY COMMIT-
23 TEES.—Section 205(a)(4) of the Secure Rural Schools
24 and Community Self-Determination Act of 2000 (16

1 U.S.C. 7125(a)(4)) is amended by striking “2012” each
2 place it appears and inserting “2020”.

3 (b) TEMPORARY REDUCTION IN COMPOSITION OF
4 COMMITTEES.—Section 205(d) of the Secure Rural
5 Schools and Community Self-Determination Act of 2000
6 (16 U.S.C. 7125(d)) is amended—

7 (1) in paragraph (1), by striking “Each” and
8 inserting “Except during the period specified in
9 paragraph (6), each”; and

10 (2) by adding at the end the following new
11 paragraph:

12 “(6) TEMPORARY REDUCTION IN MINIMUM
13 NUMBER OF MEMBERS.—

14 “(A) TEMPORARY 6-MEMBER MINIMUM.—

15 During the period beginning on the date of the
16 enactment of this paragraph and ending on
17 September 30, 2020, a resource advisory com-
18 mittee established under this section may be
19 comprised of 6 or more members—

20 “(i) 2 or more of whom shall be rep-
21 resentative of interests described in sub-
22 paragraph (A) of paragraph (2);

23 “(ii) 2 or more of whom shall be rep-
24 resentative of interests described in sub-
25 paragraph (B) of paragraph (2); and

1 “(iii) 2 or more of whom shall be rep-
2 resentative of interests described in sub-
3 paragraph (C) of paragraph (2).

4 “(B) ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENT.—In ap-
5 pointing members of a resource advisory com-
6 mittee from the 3 categories described in para-
7 graph (2), as provided in subparagraph (A), the
8 Secretary concerned shall ensure balanced and
9 broad representation in each category.

10 “(C) CHARTER.—A charter for a resource
11 advisory committee with 15 members that was
12 filed on or before the date of the enactment of
13 this paragraph shall be considered to be filed
14 for a resource advisory committee described in
15 this paragraph.”.

16 (c) CONFORMING CHANGE TO PROJECT APPROVAL
17 REQUIREMENTS.—Section 205(e)(3) of the Secure Rural
18 Schools and Community Self-Determination Act of 2000
19 (16 U.S.C. 7125(e)(3)) is amended by adding at the end
20 the following new sentence: “In the case of a resource ad-
21 visory committee consisting of fewer than 15 members, as
22 authorized by subsection (d)(6), a project may be proposed
23 to the Secretary concerned upon approval by a majority
24 of the members of the committee.”.

1 (d) EXPANDING LOCAL PARTICIPATION ON COMMIT-
2 TEES.—Section 205(d) of the Secure Rural Schools and
3 Community Self-Determination Act of 2000 (16 U.S.C.
4 7125(d)) is amended—

5 (1) in paragraph (3), by inserting before the pe-
6 riod at the end the following: “, consistent with the
7 requirements of paragraph (4)”;

8 (2) by striking paragraph (4) and inserting the
9 following new paragraph:

10 “(4) GEOGRAPHIC DISTRIBUTION.—The mem-
11 bers of a resource advisory committee shall reside
12 within the county or counties in which the committee
13 has jurisdiction, or an adjacent county.”.

14 **SEC. 303. PROGRAM FOR TITLE II SELF-SUSTAINING RE-**
15 **SOURCE ADVISORY COMMITTEE PROJECTS.**

16 (a) SELF-SUSTAINING RESOURCE ADVISORY COM-
17 MITTEE PROJECTS.—Title II of the Secure Rural Schools
18 and Community Self-Determination Act of 2000 (16
19 U.S.C. 7121 et seq.) is amended by adding at the end
20 the following new section:

21 **“SEC. 209. PROGRAM FOR SELF-SUSTAINING RESOURCE AD-**
22 **VISORY COMMITTEE PROJECTS.**

23 “(a) RAC PROGRAM.—The Chief of the Forest Serv-
24 ice shall conduct a program (to be known as the ‘self-sus-
25 taining resource advisory committee program’ or ‘RAC

1 program') under which 10 resource advisory committees
2 will propose projects authorized by subsection (c) to be
3 carried out using project funds reserved by a participating
4 county under section 102(d).

5 “(b) SELECTION OF PARTICIPATING RESOURCE AD-
6 VISORY COMMITTEES.—The selection of resource advisory
7 committees to participate in the RAC program is in the
8 sole discretion of the Chief of the Forest Service, except
9 that, consistent with section 205(d)(6), a selected resource
10 advisory committee must have a minimum of 6 members.

11 “(c) AUTHORIZED PROJECTS.—Notwithstanding the
12 project purposes specified in sections 202(b), 203(c), and
13 204(a)(5), projects under the RAC program are intended
14 to—

15 “(1) accomplish forest management objectives
16 or support community development; and

17 “(2) generate receipts.

18 “(d) DEPOSIT OF REVENUES.—Any revenue gen-
19 erated by a project conducted under the RAC program,
20 including any interest accrued from the revenues, shall be
21 deposited in the special account in the Treasury estab-
22 lished under section 102(d)(2)(A) and shall be available
23 for additional projects under the RAC program.

24 “(e) TERMINATION OF AUTHORITY.—

1 (3) by inserting after paragraph (2) the fol-
2 lowing new paragraph (3):

3 “(3) to cover training costs and equipment pur-
4 chases directly related to the emergency services de-
5 scribed in paragraph (2); and”.

6 **TITLE IV—ADDITIONAL FUND-**
7 **ING SOURCES FOR FOREST**
8 **MANAGEMENT ACTIVITIES**

9 **SEC. 401. DEFINITIONS.**

10 In this title:

11 (1) **COLLABORATIVE PROCESS.**—The term “col-
12 laborative process” refers to a process relating to the
13 management of National Forest System lands by
14 which a project or activity is developed and imple-
15 mented by the Secretary through collaboration with
16 interested persons, as described in section
17 603(b)(1)(C) of the Healthy Forests Restoration Act
18 of 2003 (16 U.S.C. 6591b(b)(1)(C)).

19 (2) **COMMUNITY WILDFIRE PROTECTION**
20 **PLAN.**—The term “community wildfire protection
21 plan” has the meaning given that term in section
22 101(3) of the Healthy Forests Restoration Act of
23 2003 (16 U.S.C. 6511(3)).

24 (3) **ELIGIBLE ENTITY.**—The term “eligible enti-
25 ty” means—

1 (A) a State or political subdivision of a
2 State containing National Forest System lands;

3 (B) a publicly chartered utility serving one
4 or more States or a political subdivision thereof;

5 (C) a rural electric company; and

6 (D) any other entity determined by the
7 Secretary to be appropriate for participation in
8 the Fund.

9 (4) FOREST MANAGEMENT ACTIVITY.—The
10 term “forest management activity” means a project
11 or activity carried out by the Secretary on National
12 Forest System lands in concert with the forest plan
13 covering the lands.

14 (5) FOREST PLAN.—The term “forest plan”
15 means a land and resource management plan pre-
16 pared by the Secretary for a unit of the National
17 Forest System pursuant to section 6 of the Forest
18 and Rangeland Renewable Resources Planning Act
19 of 1974 (16 U.S.C. 1604).

20 (6) FUND.—The term “Fund” means the
21 State-Supported Forest Management Fund estab-
22 lished by section 403.

23 (7) NATIONAL FOREST SYSTEM.—The term
24 “National Forest System” has the meaning given
25 that term in section 11(a) of the Forest and Range-

1 land Renewable Resources Planning Act of 1974 (16
2 U.S.C. 1609(a)), except that the term—

3 (A) includes only National Forest System
4 lands derived from the public domain; and

5 (B) does not include the National Grass-
6 lands and land utilization projects designated as
7 National Grasslands administered pursuant to
8 the Act of July 22, 1937 (7 U.S.C. 1010–
9 1012).

10 (8) RESOURCE ADVISORY COMMITTEE.—The
11 term “resource advisory committee” has the mean-
12 ing given that term in section 201(3) of the Secure
13 Rural Schools and Community Self-Determination
14 Act of 2000 (16 U.S.C. 7121(3)).

15 (9) SECRETARY.—The term “Secretary” means
16 the Secretary of Agriculture, acting through the
17 Chief of the Forest Service.

18 **SEC. 402. AVAILABILITY OF STEWARDSHIP PROJECT REVE-**
19 **NUES AND COLLABORATIVE FOREST LAND-**
20 **SCAPE RESTORATION FUND TO COVER FOR-**
21 **EST MANAGEMENT ACTIVITY PLANNING**
22 **COSTS.**

23 (a) AVAILABILITY OF STEWARDSHIP PROJECT REVE-
24 NUES.—Section 604(e)(2)(B) of the Healthy Forest Res-
25 toration Act of 2003 (16 U.S.C. 6591c(e)(2)(B)) is

1 amended by striking “appropriation at the project site
2 from which the monies are collected or at another project
3 site.” and inserting the following: “appropriation—

4 “(i) at the project site from which the
5 monies are collected or at another project
6 site; and

7 “(ii) to cover not more than 25 per-
8 cent of the cost of planning additional
9 stewardship contracting projects.”.

10 (b) AVAILABILITY OF COLLABORATIVE FOREST
11 LANDSCAPE RESTORATION FUND.—Section 4003(f)(1) of
12 the Omnibus Public Land Management Act of 2009 (16
13 U.S.C. 7303(f)(1)) is amended by striking “carrying out
14 and” and inserting “planning, carrying out, and”.

15 **SEC. 403. STATE-SUPPORTED PLANNING OF FOREST MAN-**
16 **AGEMENT ACTIVITIES.**

17 (a) STATE-SUPPORTED FOREST MANAGEMENT
18 FUND.—There is established in the Treasury of the
19 United States a fund, to be known as the “State-Sup-
20 ported Forest Management Fund”, to cover the cost of
21 planning, carrying out, and monitoring certain forest man-
22 agement activities on National Forest System lands.

23 (b) CONTENTS.—The State-Supported Forest Man-
24 agement Fund shall consist of such amounts as may be—

1 (1) contributed by an eligible entity for deposit
2 in the Fund;

3 (2) appropriated to the Fund; or

4 (3) generated by forest management activities
5 carried out using amounts in the Fund.

6 (c) GEOGRAPHICAL AND USE LIMITATIONS.—In
7 making a contribution under subsection (b)(1), an eligible
8 entity may—

9 (1) specify the National Forest System lands
10 for which the contribution may be expended; or

11 (2) subject to subsection (d), limit the types of
12 forest management activities for which the contribu-
13 tion may be expended.

14 (d) AUTHORIZED FOREST MANAGEMENT ACTIVI-
15 TIES.—A forest management activity may be planned, car-
16 ried out, or monitored using amounts in the Fund only
17 if the activity—

18 (1) is developed through a collaborative process;

19 (2) is proposed by a resource advisory com-
20 mittee; or

21 (3) is covered by a community wildfire protec-
22 tion plan.

23 (e) IMPLEMENTATION METHODS.—A forest manage-
24 ment activity carried out using amounts in the Fund may
25 be carried out using a contract or agreement under section

1 604 of the Healthy Forests Restoration Act of 2003 (16
2 U.S.C. 6591c), the good neighbor authority provided by
3 section 8206 of the Agricultural Act of 2014 (16 U.S.C.
4 2113a), a contract under section 14 of the National Forest
5 Management Act of 1976 (16 U.S.C. 472a), or other au-
6 thority available to the Secretary, but revenues generated
7 by the forest management activity shall be used reimburse
8 the Fund for planning costs covered using amounts in the
9 Fund.

10 (f) RELATION TO OTHER LAWS.—

11 (1) REVENUE SHARING.—Subject to subsection
12 (e), revenues generated by a forest management ac-
13 tivity carried out using amounts from the Fund shall
14 be considered monies received from the National
15 Forest System.

16 (2) KNUTSON-VANDERBERG ACT.—The Act of
17 June 9, 1930 (commonly known as the Knutson-
18 Vanderberg Act; 16 U.S.C. 576 et seq.), shall apply
19 to any forest management activity carried out using
20 amounts in the Fund.

21 (g) TERMINATION OF FUND.—

22 (1) TERMINATION.—The Fund shall terminate
23 on September 30, 2025.

24 (2) EFFECT OF TERMINATION.—Upon the ter-
25 mination of the Fund pursuant to paragraph (1) or

1 pursuant to any other provision of law, unobligated
2 contributions remaining in the Fund shall be re-
3 turned to the eligible entity that made the contribu-
4 tion.

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