

# Union Calendar No. 844

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

# H. R. 502

[Report No. 115–1091]

To permanently reauthorize the Land and Water Conservation Fund.

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JANUARY 12, 2017

Mr. GRIJALVA (for himself and Mr. MEEHAN) introduced the following bill;  
which was referred to the Committee on Natural Resources

DECEMBER 20, 2018

Additional sponsors: Mr. REICHERT, Mr. COSTELLO of Pennsylvania, Mr. LOBIONDO, Ms. TSONGAS, Mr. HUFFMAN, Mr. THOMPSON of California, Ms. STEFANIK, Mr. LOWENTHAL, Mr. FASO, Mr. KING of New York, Mr. KATKO, Mr. POLIS, Mr. HECK, Mr. TAKANO, Ms. NORTON, Ms. MOORE, Mr. GARAMENDI, Mr. TONKO, Mr. BRENDAN F. BOYLE of Pennsylvania, Mr. KHANNA, Mr. CICILLINE, Mr. CONNOLLY, Mr. POCAN, Ms. JUDY CHU of California, Ms. DELBENE, Mr. BEYER, Ms. LEE, Mr. KEATING, Ms. KAPTUR, Mr. PERLMUTTER, Mr. LANGEVIN, Mr. PALLONE, Mr. WELCH, Mr. PETERS, Mr. BLUMENAUER, Mrs. NAPOLITANO, Mr. COHEN, Mr. TED LIEU of California, Mr. SOTO, Ms. SCHAKOWSKY, Mr. SCOTT of Virginia, Ms. BROWNLEY of California, Ms. SHEA-PORTER, Mr. LOEBSACK, Ms. ESTY of Connecticut, Mr. SWALWELL of California, Ms. LOFGREN, Mr. MCGOVERN, Mr. FORTENBERRY, Mr. SCHIFF, Mr. FLEISCHMANN, Mr. VISCLOSKY, Mr. MCNERNEY, Mr. KILMER, Mr. SMITH of New Jersey, Ms. KUSTER of New Hampshire, Mr. MICHAEL F. DOYLE of Pennsylvania, Mr. CARBAJAL, Ms. WASSERMAN SCHULTZ, Mr. WALZ, Mr. O'HALLERAN, Mr. AGUILAR, Mrs. LAWRENCE, Mrs. DINGELL, Ms. TITUS, Mr. KENNEDY, Mr. CLAY, Mr. CARTWRIGHT, Mrs. BUSTOS, Mr. MCHENRY, Mr. DESAULNIER, Mr. DEUTCH, Ms. ROYBAL-ALLARD, Mr. ENGEL, Ms. BONAMICI, Ms. PINGREE, Ms. JAYAPAL, Ms. SLAUGHTER, Ms. MATSUI, Mr. DELANEY, Mr. NADLER, Mr. NOLAN, Ms. ESHOO, Mr. SMITH of Washington, Ms. MICHELLE LUJAN GRISHAM of New Mexico, Mr. QUIGLEY, Mr. ZELDIN, Mr. HIGGINS of New York, Mr. KIND, Ms. CLARK of Massachusetts, Mr. SARBANES, Mr. RUPPERSBERGER, Mr. FITZPATRICK, Ms. HANABUSA, Mr. SABLAN, Mr. SANFORD,

Mr. LARSON of Connecticut, Mr. MOULTON, Mrs. BEATTY, Mr. SUOZZI, Mr. EVANS, Mr. RUIZ, Ms. DELAURO, Mr. RUSH, Mr. KILDEE, Mr. COSTA, Mr. GARRETT, Mr. SIRES, Ms. ROSEN, Ms. MCCOLLUM, Ms. DEGETTE, Ms. BARRAGÁN, Mr. CUMMINGS, Mr. DEFazio, Miss RICE of New York, Mr. LIPINSKI, Mr. NEAL, Mr. HIMES, Mr. SCHRADER, Ms. SPEIER, Mr. GOTTHEIMER, Mr. KIHUEN, Mr. CAPUANO, Ms. SINEMA, Ms. BORDALLO, Mrs. TORRES, Mr. RASKIN, Ms. GABBARD, Mr. LYNCH, Mr. GUTIÉRREZ, Mr. GALLEGO, Mr. ELLISON, Mr. CRIST, Mr. SERRANO, Ms. JACKSON LEE, Ms. SEWELL of Alabama, Mr. DAVID SCOTT of Georgia, Mr. FOSTER, Mr. LARSEN of Washington, Mr. SCHNEIDER, Mr. LANCE, Mr. CURBELO of Florida, Mr. LEWIS of Georgia, Mr. HASTINGS, Mr. NORCROSS, Mr. JEFFRIES, Mr. DOGGETT, Mr. GONZALEZ of Texas, Mr. CÁRDENAS, Mr. BROWN of Maryland, Ms. FRANKEL of Florida, Mr. VEASEY, Mr. YARMUTH, Mr. RICHMOND, Mr. ROUZER, Mrs. DAVIS of California, Mr. MURPHY of Pennsylvania, Ms. MAXINE WATERS of California, Mr. PANETTA, Mr. MCEACHIN, Ms. MENG, Mrs. WATSON COLEMAN, Mr. PASCRELL, Mr. MAST, Ms. KELLY of Illinois, Ms. BLUNT ROCHESTER, Mr. CORREA, Mr. COOPER, Mr. BERA, Mr. MACARTHUR, Mr. SHERMAN, Mr. PAYNE, Mr. RYAN of Ohio, Mr. GOMEZ, Mr. COURTNEY, Mr. BISHOP of Georgia, Ms. FUDGE, Mr. O'ROURKE, Mr. SEAN PATRICK MALONEY of New York, Mr. KRISHNAMOORTHY, Ms. SÁNCHEZ, Mr. COLE, Mr. CLEAVER, Mr. TURNER, Mr. PRICE of North Carolina, Mr. LEVIN, Mrs. LOWEY, Mrs. CAROLYN B. MALONEY of New York, Mr. LAWSON of Florida, Mr. THOMPSON of Mississippi, Ms. ADAMS, Mr. CONYERS, Mr. BUTTERFIELD, Mr. BEN RAY LUJÁN of New Mexico, Mrs. MURPHY of Florida, Mr. ESPAILLAT, Mr. DONOVAN, Mr. VARGAS, Mrs. DEMINGS, Mr. CARSON of Indiana, Ms. VELÁZQUEZ, Mr. BRADY of Pennsylvania, Mr. JOHNSON of Georgia, Mr. CASTRO of Texas, Ms. EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON of Texas, Mr. VELA, Mr. CROWLEY, Mr. GENE GREEN of Texas, Ms. CASTOR of Florida, Ms. CLARKE of New York, Mr. MEEKS, Ms. WILSON of Florida, Mr. CUELLAR, Ms. BASS, Mr. DANNY K. DAVIS of Illinois, Mr. DENT, Mr. AL GREEN of Texas, Ms. PLASKETT, Ms. TENNEY, Mr. POE of Texas, Mr. STIVERS, Mr. COLLINS of New York, Mr. SESSIONS, Mr. MARSHALL, Mr. REED, Mr. KNIGHT, Mr. RICE of South Carolina, Mr. GIANFORTE, Mr. LAMB, Mr. COFFMAN, Mr. WILSON of South Carolina, Mr. BERGMAN, Mr. TIPTON, Mr. YODER, Mr. MARINO, Mr. DENHAM, Mr. JOYCE of Ohio, Mr. KELLY of Pennsylvania, Miss GONZÁLEZ-COLÓN of Puerto Rico, Mr. BUCHANAN, and Mr. HURD

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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 *italic*]

[For text of introduced bill, see copy of bill as introduced on January 12, 2017]

# **A BILL**

To permanently reauthorize the Land and Water  
Conservation Fund.

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 “Land and Water Con-*  
5 *servation Fund Reauthorization and Fairness Act”.*

6 **SEC. 2. REAUTHORIZATION OF LAND AND WATER CON-**  
7 **SERVATION FUND.**

8        *(a) IN GENERAL.—Section 200302 of title 54, United*  
9 *States Code, is amended—*

10            *(1) in subsection (b), in the matter preceding*  
11 *paragraph (1), by striking “During the period ending*  
12 *September 30, 2018, there” and inserting “There”;*  
13 *and*

14            *(2) in subsection (c)(1), by striking “through*  
15 *September 30, 2018”.*

16        *(b) ALLOCATION OF FUNDS.—Section 200304 of title*  
17 *54, United States Code, is amended—*

18            *(1) by striking “There” and inserting the fol-*  
19 *lowing:*

20            *“(a) IN GENERAL.—There”;*

21            *(2) by striking “Not less than 40 percent of such*  
22 *appropriations shall be available for Federal pur-*  
23 *poses.”; and*

24            *(3) by adding at the end the following:*

1       “(b) *ALLOCATION OF FUNDS.*—Of the total amount  
2 made available to the Fund through appropriations and de-  
3 posited into the fund under section 105(a)(2)(B) of the Gulf  
4 of Mexico Energy Security Act of 2006 (43 U.S.C. 1331  
5 note)—

6               “(1) not less than 40 percent of such amount  
7 shall be used for Federal purposes under section  
8 200306; and

9               “(2) not less than 40 percent of such amount  
10 shall be used to provide financial assistance to States  
11 under section 200305.”.

12       (c) *PARITY FOR TERRITORIES AND THE DISTRICT OF*  
13 *COLUMBIA.*—Section 200305(b) of title 54, United States  
14 Code, is amended by striking paragraph (5).

15       (d) *PUBLIC ACCESS.*—Section 200306 of title 54,  
16 United States Code, is amended by adding at the end the  
17 following:

18       “(c) *PUBLIC ACCESS.*—

19               “(1) *IN GENERAL.*—Of the amounts made avail-  
20 able for expenditure in any fiscal year under section  
21 200303, not less than the greater of 3 percent of the  
22 amounts or \$20,000,000 shall be made available for  
23 projects identified on the priority list developed under  
24 paragraph (2).

1           “(2) *PRIORITY LIST.*—*The Secretary of the Inte-*  
2           *rior and the Secretary of Agriculture, in consultation*  
3           *with the head of each affected Federal agency, shall*  
4           *annually develop a priority list for projects related to*  
5           *Federal land under the jurisdiction of the applicable*  
6           *Secretary.*

7           “(3) *CRITERIA.*—*Projects identified on the pri-*  
8           *ority list developed under paragraph (2) shall—*

9                   “(A) *maintain or increase public access to*  
10            *existing Federal public land for hunting, fishing,*  
11            *recreational shooting, or other outdoor rec-*  
12            *reational purposes through acquisition of rights-*  
13            *of-way or acquisition of land (or any interest in*  
14            *land), including through equal value land ex-*  
15            *changes; or*

16                   “(B) *enhance, maintain, or restore access on*  
17            *existing trails or rights-of-way.*”.

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