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S. 2223

To amend the Agricultural Act of 2014 to clarify forest, rangeland, and watershed restoration services under good neighbor agreements.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

DECEMBER 13, 2017

Ms. BALDWIN (for herself, Mr. JOHNSON, and Ms. KLOBUCHAR) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry

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 “Good Neighbor Au-
5 thority Improvement Act”.

6 **SEC. 2. DEFINITION OF FOREST, RANGELAND, AND WATER-**
7 **SHED RESTORATION SERVICES.**

8 Section 8206(a) of the Agricultural Act of 2014 (16
9 U.S.C. 2113a(a)) is amended—

(1) in paragraph (3)(B)(i), by striking “areas; or” and inserting the following: “areas, other than the reconstruction, repair, or restoration of a National Forest System road that is—

“(I) necessary to carry out authorized restoration services pursuant to a good neighbor agreement; and

“(II) in the case of a National Forest System road that is determined to be unneeded in accordance with section 212.5(b)(2) of title 36, Code of Federal Regulations (as in effect on the date of enactment of the Good Neighbor Authority Improvement Act), decommissioned in accordance with subparagraph (A)(iii)—

“(aa) in a manner that is consistent with the applicable travel management plan; and

“(bb) not later than 3 years after the date on which the applicable authorized restoration services project is completed; or”;

(2) by redesignating paragraphs (6) and (7) as paragraphs (7) and (8), respectively; and

1 (3) by inserting after paragraph (5) the fol-
2 lowing:

3 “(6) NATIONAL FOREST SYSTEM ROAD.—The
4 term ‘National Forest System road’ has the meaning
5 given the term in section 212.1 of title 36, Code of
6 Federal Regulations (as in effect on the date of en-
7 actment of the Good Neighbor Authority Improve-
8 ment Act).”.

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