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MEMORANDUM

August 7, 2018

TO: Board of Supervisors
Agenda Date: August 14, 2018

FROM: Richard Egan, County Administrative Officer *RM*

SUBJECT: Congressman LaMalfa – H.R. 6007

RECOMMENDATION: That the Board: Approve letter of support and authorize the Chairman to sign the letter.

PRIOR BOARD ACTIONS: According to the Lassen County General Plan, Open Space Element:

"The Lassen County Board of Supervisors has, on a number of occasions, expressed concerns over proposals to designate areas for wilderness study. Concerns include closure of vehicular access and changes and displacement of historic and current multiple land uses in these areas. In a letter to the Bureau of Land Management in June 1985, the County expressed the following position:

Existing management properly emphasizes and enhances multiple consumptive and non-consumptive uses, i.e. livestock, wildlife, recreation, cultural resource protection, etc., that satisfy a wider spectrum of the user public while retaining de facto wilderness values, characteristics and opportunities. The designation of wilderness areas as proposed will create greater management problems in designated and non-designated area."

SUMMARY: See attached letter and text of H.R. 6007. When enacted, this bill will implement recommendations made to remove certain Federal public lands, including land in Lassen County, from wilderness study areas as recommended by the Bureau of Land Management in 1991, and as discussed in the Lassen County General Plan.

FISCAL IMPACT: None

OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT: None

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August 6, 2018

The Honorable Doug LaMalfa
United States House of Representative
322 Cannon House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515

RE: H.R. 6007 Restoring Access to Public Lands Act - **SUPPORT**

Dear Congressman LaMalfa:

The Lassen County Board of Supervisors has voted to support your bill H.R. 6007 to release Federal land in California that is unsuitable for and not recommended for "wilderness" designation from wilderness study areas.

H.R. 6007 is consistent with the Wilderness and Wilderness Study Area recommendations found in the Lassen County General Plan that constitutes Lassen County's comprehensive plan and policies for the development of the County for open space, natural resources, agriculture, wildlife, and other private and public uses.

We see the enactment of H.R. 6007 as a positive step toward allowing Federal agencies to manage public lands effectively for multiple uses in Lassen County.

Sincerely,

CHRISTOPHER GALLAGHER, Chairman
Lassen County Board of Supervisors

CC: The Honorable Dianne Feinstein
The Honorable Kamala Harris
Rural County Representatives California
California State Association of Counties

H.R.6007 - Restoring Access to Public Lands Act

115th Congress (2017-2018) | [Get alerts](#)

Sponsor: [Rep. LaMalfa, Doug.](#) [R-CA-1] (Introduced 06/05/2018)

Committees: House - Natural Resources

Latest Action: House - 06/08/2018 Referred to the Subcommittee on Federal Lands. ([All Actions](#))

Tracker: [Introduced](#) [Passed House](#) [Passed Senate](#) [To President](#) [Became Law](#)

Text: H.R.6007 — 115th Congress (2017-2018)

[All Information](#) (Except Text)

There is one version of the bill.

Text available as: XML/HTML [XML/HTML \(new window\)](#) [TXT](#) [PDF](#) (PDF provides a complete and accurate display of this text.) ?

Shown Here:

Introduced in House (06/05/2018)

115TH CONGRESS
2D SESSION

H. R. 6007

To release certain Federal land in California from wilderness study, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JUNE 5, 2018

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

A BILL

To release certain Federal land in California from wilderness study, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

This Act may be cited as the “Restoring Access to Public Lands Act”.

SEC. 2. RELEASE OF CERTAIN LAND FROM WILDERNESS STUDY.

(a) **FINDING.**—Congress finds that, for the purposes of section 603(c) of the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976 (43 U.S.C. 1782(c)), the areas described in subsection (c) have been adequately studied for wilderness designation.

(b) **RELEASE.**—Each area described in subsection (c)—

(1) is no longer subject to section 603(c) of the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976 (43 U.S.C. 1782(c)); and

(2) shall be managed in accordance with land management plans adopted under section 202 of the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976 (43 U.S.C. 1712).

(c) **DESCRIPTION OF AREAS.**—The areas referred to in subsections (a) and (b) are the following:

(1) The approximately 646 acres of the Yolla Bolly Wilderness Study Area designated as “Non-suitable” on the map titled “Yolla Bolly Contiguous Wilderness Study Area – 1991 Suitability Recommendation” and dated April 5, 2018.

(2) The approximately 17,896 acres of the Timbered Crater Wilderness Study Area designated as “Non-suitable” on the map titled “Timbered Crater Wilderness Study Area – 1991 Suitability Recommendation” and dated April 4, 2018.

(3) The approximately 10,770 acres of the Lava Wilderness Study Area designated as “Non-suitable” on the map titled “Lava Wilderness Study Area – 1991 Suitability Recommendation” and dated April 4, 2018.

(4) The approximately 4,281 acres of the Pit River Canyon Wilderness Study Area designated as “Non-suitable” on the map titled “Pit River Canyon Wilderness Study Area – 1991 Suitability Recommendation” and dated April 4, 2018.

(5) The approximately 16,998 acres of the Tule Mountain Wilderness Study Area designated as “Non-suitable” on the map titled “Tule Mountain Wilderness Study Area – 1991 Suitability Recommendation” and dated April 4, 2018.

(6) The approximately 3,169 acres of the South Warner Contiguous Wilderness Study Area designated as “Non-suitable” on the map titled “South Warner Contiguous Wilderness Study Area – 1991 Suitability Recommendation” and dated April 5, 2018.

(7) The approximately 640 acres of the Bitterbrush Wilderness Study Area designated as “Non-suitable” on the map titled “Bitterbrush Wilderness Study Area – 1991 Suitability Recommendation” and dated April 4, 2018.

(8) The approximately 856 acres of the Buffalo Hills Wilderness Study Area designated as “Non-suitable” on the map titled “Buffalo Hills Wilderness Study Area – 1991 Suitability Recommendation” and

dated April 5, 2018.

(9) The approximately 18,598 acres of the Twin Peaks Wilderness Study Area designated as “Non-suitable” on the map titled “Twin Peaks Wilderness Study Area – 1991 Suitability Recommendation” and dated April 5, 2018.

(10) The approximately 49,206 acres of the Five Springs Wilderness Study Area designated as “Non-suitable” on the map titled “Five Springs Wilderness Study Area – 1991 Suitability Recommendation” and dated April 5, 2018.

(11) The approximately 10,863 acres of the Dry Valley Rim Wilderness Study Area designated as “Non-suitable” on the map titled “Dry Valley Rim Wilderness Study Area – 1991 Suitability Recommendation” and dated April 5, 2018.

(12) The approximately 24,366 acres of the Skedaddle Wilderness Study Area designated as “Non-suitable” on the map titled “Skedaddle Wilderness Study Area – 1991 Suitability Recommendation” and dated April 4, 2018.

(13) The approximately 11,995 acres of the Tunnison Mountain Wilderness Study Area designated as “Non-suitable” on the map titled “Tunnison Mountain Wilderness Study Area – 1991 Suitability Recommendation” and dated April 4, 2018.