

117TH CONGRESS
2D SESSION

H. R. 7093

To withdraw certain Federal land in the San Bernardino National Forest in California from location, entry, and patent under mining laws, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MARCH 15, 2022

Mr. OBERNOLTE introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Natural Resources

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. FINDINGS.**

4 Congress finds the following:

5 (1) The Forest Service has implemented a
6 strategy known as the Carbonate Habitat Manage-
7 ment Strategy to conserve listed threatened and en-
8 dangered species where minerals co-occur with those
9 species' habitats to allow for species conservation

1 and efficient administration of mining activities on
2 the San Bernardino National Forest.

3 (2) The withdrawal of certain land in the San
4 Bernardino National Forest will create a reserve for
5 designated crucial habitat to protect four listed
6 threatened and endangered plant species from the
7 effects of mining.

8 **SEC. 2. WITHDRAWAL OF SAN BERNARDINO NATIONAL**
9 **FOREST LAND FROM MINING LAWS.**

10 Subject to valid existing rights, the approximately
11 3,055 acres of land generally depicted as “Proposed With-
12 drawal” on the map titled “Proposed Withdrawal-San
13 Bernardino National Forest-Mountaintop Ranger Dis-
14 trict”, and dated October 19, 2020, is hereby withdrawn
15 from—

16 (1) all forms of entry, appropriation, and dis-
17 posal under the public land laws;

18 (2) location, entry, and patent under the mining
19 laws; and

20 (3) operation of the mineral leasing, mineral
21 materials, and geothermal leasing laws.

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