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Oregon Caves Revitalization Act of 2011

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Sponsor

Name: Sen. Wyden, Ron [D-OR]

Party: Democratic • **State:** OR • **Chamber:** Senate

Cosponsors (1 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Merkley, Jeff [D-OR]	D · OR		Apr 7, 2011

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Energy and Natural Resources Committee	Senate	Hearings By (subcommittee)	May 11, 2011

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Public Lands and Natural Resources

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
112 HR 1414	Related bill	Apr 14, 2011: Referred to the Subcommittee on National Parks, Forests and Public Lands.

(This measure has not been amended since it was introduced. The summary has been expanded because action occurred on the measure.)

Oregon Caves Revitalization Act of 2011 - (Sec. 3) Redesignates the Oregon Caves National Monument, and lands identified as proposed addition lands, as the Oregon Caves National Monument and Preserve, to be administered as a single unit of the National Park System.

Designates the proposed addition lands as a National Preserve.

Directs the Secretary of Agriculture (USDA) to: (1) transfer the proposed addition lands to the Secretary of the Interior (the Secretary), to be administered as part of the Monument and Preserve; and (2) adjust the boundary of the Rogue River-Siskiyou National Forest to exclude such lands transferred to the Secretary. Adjusts the boundary of the Monument and Preserve to exclude certain land in the city of Cave Junction.

(Sec. 4) Requires the Secretary to revise the fire management plan for the Monument to include the Preserve and carry out hazardous fuel management activities within the Monument and Preserve. Allows for the completion of existing Forest Service stewardship and service contracts executed as of the enactment of this Act. Recognizes the authority of the Secretary of Agriculture to administer such existing contracts through their completion. Permits the grazing of livestock on land within the Preserve to continue as authorized under permits or leases in existence as of enactment at not more than the level at which the grazing exists.

Allows the Secretary, with specified administrative exceptions, to permit hunting and fishing on land and waters within the Preserve.

(Sec. 5) Directs the Secretary of Agriculture or the Secretary to accept the donation of a grazing lease or permit from a lessee or permittee for: (1) the Big Grayback Grazing Allotment located in the Rogue River-Siskiyou National Forest, and (2) the Billy Mountain Grazing Allotment located on a parcel of BLM-managed land. Instructs the Secretary to terminate each donated permit or lease and ensure a permanent end to grazing on the land covered by such permit or lease. Considers a lessee or permittee donating a grazing lease or permit to have waived any claim to any range improvement on the associated grazing allotment or portion.

(Sec. 6) Amends the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act to designate: (1) the subterranean segment of the Cave Creek in Oregon known as the River Styx as a component of the national wild and scenic rivers system, and (2) certain additional segments of the Monument and Preserve for study for potential addition to the system. Directs the Secretary to report the results of such study to Congress.

Actions Timeline

- **Jan 13, 2012:** Committee on Energy and Natural Resources. Reported by Senator Bingaman under authority of the order of the Senate of 12/17/2011 without amendment. With written report No. 112-114.
- **Jan 13, 2012:** Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 276.
- **Nov 10, 2011:** Committee on Energy and Natural Resources. Ordered to be reported without amendment favorably.
- **Nov 8, 2011:** Star Print ordered on the bill.
- **May 11, 2011:** Committee on Energy and Natural Resources Subcommittee on National Parks. Hearings held. With printed Hearing: S.Hrg. 112-124.
- **Apr 7, 2011:** Introduced in Senate
- **Apr 7, 2011:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR S2276-2277)
- **Apr 7, 2011:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.