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Good Neighbor Forestry Act

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Chamber: Senate

Policy Area: Public Lands and Natural Resources

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Sponsor

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Cosponsors (10 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Enzi, Michael B. [R-WY]	R · WY		Feb 14, 2013
Sen. Hatch, Orrin G. [R-UT]	R · UT		Feb 14, 2013
Sen. Johnson, Tim [D-SD]	D · SD		Feb 14, 2013
Sen. Lee, Mike [R-UT]	R · UT		Feb 14, 2013
Sen. Thune, John [R-SD]	R · SD		Feb 14, 2013
Sen. Udall, Mark [D-CO]	D · CO		Feb 14, 2013
Sen. Flake, Jeff [R-AZ]	R · AZ		Apr 23, 2013
Sen. Heller, Dean [R-NV]	R · NV		Apr 23, 2013
Sen. Risch, James E. [R-ID]	R · ID		Jun 26, 2013
Sen. Crapo, Mike [R-ID]	R · ID		Jul 9, 2013

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Energy and Natural Resources Committee	Senate	Hearings By (subcommittee)	Apr 25, 2013

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Public Lands and Natural Resources

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
113 HR 4	Related bill	Nov 13, 2014: Read the second time. Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 597.
113 HR 1526	Related bill	Sep 23, 2013: Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.
113 HR 2401	Related bill	Aug 13, 2013: Referred to the Subcommittee on Conservation, Energy, and Forestry.

Summary (as of Sep 10, 2013)

Good Neighbor Forestry Act - Authorizes the Secretary of Agriculture (USDA), with respect to National Forest System land, and the Secretary of the Interior, with respect to Bureau of Land Management (BLM) land, to enter into a good neighbor agreement (a cooperative agreement or contract, including a sole source contract) with a governor of a state to coordinate the procurement and implementation of authorized restoration services.

Defines "authorized restoration services" as similar and complementary forest, rangeland, and watershed restoration services carried out on federal land and non-federal land by either the Secretary concerned or a governor pursuant to a good neighbor agreement.

Requires the Secretaries to make good neighbor agreements available to the public.

Makes certain National Forest System timber sales requirements of the National Forest Management Act of 1976 inapplicable to services performed under a cooperative agreement or contract entered into under this Act.

Requires the Secretaries to provide or approve all silviculture prescriptions and marking guides to be applied on federal land in all timber sale projects conducted under this Act.

Prohibits delegation to a governor of any decision required under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (NEPA) with respect to any authorized restoration services to be provided on federal land.

Actions Timeline

- Sep 10, 2013: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources. Reported by Senator Wyden with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. With written report No. 113-97.
- Sep 10, 2013: Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 175.
- Jun 18, 2013: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources. Ordered to be reported with an amendment in the nature of a substitute favorably.
- Apr 25, 2013: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources Subcommittee on Public Lands, Forests, and Mining. Hearings held. With printed Hearing: S.Hrg. 113-28.
- Feb 14, 2013: Introduced in Senate
- Feb 14, 2013: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.