

HR 3606

Emigrant Wilderness Historical Use Preservation Act

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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Natural Resources Committee	House	Discharged from	May 29, 2014

Subjects & Policy Tags

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Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Emigrant Wilderness Historical Use Preservation Act - (Sec. 3) Requires the Secretary of Agriculture (USDA) to ensure that all pack and saddle stock uses within the Emigrant Wilderness of Stanislaus National Forest in California are recognized as appropriate wilderness activities, including the effect on soil, water, and vegetation. Prohibits any action from being taken to limit or exclude pack and saddle stock without an environmental analysis with a finding that the actions are necessary to preserve the wilderness character of the area to that which existed at the time of the designation.

States that historical uses and activities, including commercial outfitting and guiding, camping, pack stock grazing; and associated campfires, tent locations, and social trails are traditional uses. Requires signs of use created by these activities to be considered substantially unnoticeable and acceptable as long as they do not exceed the level present at the time of the designation. Requires the USDA to take actions to ensure that these levels are not exceeded.

Direct the USDA to complete an updated wilderness plan to preserve pack and saddle stock use and all legally acceptable recreational uses within the area. Specifies requirements for the plan.

Requires the USDA to continue to authorize commercial pack and saddle stock services and issue authorizations to provide commercial services for commercial stock operations within the area at historic levels. Requires the USDA to specify levels of use, user days, and activities by commercial outfitters and guides.

Actions Timeline

- **Sep 15, 2014:** Reported (Amended) by the Committee on Natural Resources. H. Rept. 113-595.
- **Sep 15, 2014:** Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 442.
- **May 29, 2014:** Subcommittee on Public Lands and Environmental Regulation Discharged.
- **May 29, 2014:** Committee Consideration and Mark-up Session Held.
- **May 29, 2014:** Ordered to be Reported (Amended) by Voice Vote.
- **Mar 6, 2014:** Subcommittee Hearings Held.
- **Nov 29, 2013:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Public Lands and Environmental Regulation.
- **Nov 21, 2013:** Introduced in House
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