

HR 5780

Utah Public Lands Initiative Act

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Sponsor

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Cosponsors (1 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Natural Resources Committee	House	Hearings By (subcommittee)	Sep 14, 2016
Natural Resources Committee	House	Discharged from	Sep 22, 2016

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Public Lands and Natural Resources

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
114 S 14	Related bill	Jan 6, 2015: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

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This bill designates specified federal lands as wilderness and as components of the National Wilderness Preservation System in Utah.

The bill also:

- establishes in Utah specified National Conservation Areas and Watershed Management Areas and Special Management Areas,
- adds specified lands to Arches National Park, and
- establishes the Jurassic National Monument.

The Wild and Scenic Rivers Act is amended to designate specified segments of the Colorado, Dolores, Green, Dark Canyon, and San Juan Rivers as wild, scenic, or recreational rivers.

The bill establishes the Ashley Karst National Geologic and Recreation Area.

The bill arranges for a land exchange between Utah and the Department of the Interior involving specified federal and state trust lands, and reserves a wellbore interest in certain oil and gas wells on the federal lands.

Interior shall convey specified federal land to the Utah State Parks and Recreation Division of the Department of Natural Resources for inclusion in Goblin Valley State Park.

The bill arranges for a land exchange between Interior and Utah's Division of Forestry, Fire, and State lands involving specified federal and state lands in order for Utah to create the Price Canyon State Forest.

The bill arranges for a land exchange between the Department of Agriculture (USDA) and the Deer Lodge Homeowners Association involving specified National Forest System and private lands.

Scofield Land Transfer Act

The bill arranges for conveyances to specified claimants of the federal lands used in the construction and operation of Scofield Dam and Reservoir, and establishes the Scofield Reservoir Fund.

The bill specifies other land conveyances and land disposals, and establishes specified Recreation Zones and the Hole-in-the-Rock Trail.

The bill approves Utah's application for a specified Title V right-of-way concerning travel in Recapture Canyon.

The Big Burrito Non-Motorized Trail in the Sand Flats Recreation Area shall not be subject to administrative or judicial review.

The bill designates the Red Rock Country Off-Highway Vehicle Trail.

The bill transfers the federal minerals within the McCracken Extension of the Navajo Nation to the Utah Navajo Trust Fund.

Interior shall hold certain interests in mineral or surface estate in trust for the Ute Indian Tribe. The bill transfers title to the

mineral estate in the Hill Creek Extension to the Bureau of Indian Affairs to be held in trust for the Ute Tribe.

Utah may establish a program covering the permitting processes, regulatory requirements, and any other provisions by which it would exercise its rights to develop and permit all forms of energy resources on certain available federal land.

The bill recognizes Utah state and county rights-of-way for public travel and access on certain Class B roads.

The bill requires Interior to implement the Grand County Council's recommendations for Hey Joe Canyon, Tenmile Canyon, and Mineral Canyon roads.

Interior shall grant a right-of-way to Uintah County for public travel and access on all Class D roads.

The bill allows current domestic livestock grazing in specified counties to continue.

The bill states that the viability or existence of bighorn sheep shall not be used to remove or alter the use of domestic sheep or cattle where such use was permitted as of January 1, 2016, on certain federal lands.

Interior and USDA shall establish the Public Lands Initiative Planning and Implementation Advisory Committee.

The bill establishes the Bears Ears National Conservation Area, the Bears Ears Tribal Commission, and the Bears Ears Advisory Committee.

Actions Timeline

- **Sep 22, 2016:** Subcommittee on Indian, Insular and Alaska Native Affairs Discharged.
- **Sep 22, 2016:** Committee Consideration and Mark-up Session Held.
- **Sep 22, 2016:** Ordered to be Reported (Amended) by the Yeas and Nays: 21 - 13.
- **Sep 14, 2016:** Subcommittee Hearings Held.
- **Aug 4, 2016:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Indian, Insular and Alaska Native Affairs.
- **Aug 4, 2016:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Federal Lands.
- **Jul 14, 2016:** Introduced in House
- **Jul 14, 2016:** Referred to the House Committee on Natural Resources.