

HR 1728

To modify the boundaries of the Morley Nelson Snake River Birds of Prey National Conservation Area, and for other purposes.

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Committee Activity

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Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
115 HR 2104	Related bill	Apr 24, 2017: Referred to the Subcommittee on Water, Power and Oceans.

This bill modifies the boundary of the Morley Nelson Snake River Birds of Prey National Conservation Area in Idaho to: (1) include specified Bureau of Land Management (BLM) administered land and certain Bureau of Reclamation administered land, and (2) exclude specified lands identified as the Segment 8 Revised Proposed Route and as the Segment 9 Revised Proposed Route.

The Department of the Interior shall issue to Gateway West (a high-voltage transmission line project in Idaho and Wyoming) a right-of-way for such proposed routes, which is to be used for the construction and maintenance of transmission lines and for access roads and activities related to fire prevention and suppression, subject to construction mitigation and conservation requirements.

Interior shall: (1) administer the BLM and Reclamation administered lands as part of the National Landscape Conservation System, and (2) continue to administer the proposed route lands as lands that are not included in the conservation area.

The bill transfers from Reclamation to the BLM administrative jurisdiction over the Reclamation administered lands.

Interior shall amend the management plan for the conservation area in order to address the long-term management of the BLM and Reclamation administered lands, including for livestock grazing, hunting, fishing, and motorized access.

Specified federal land in the Cotterel Wind Power Project area may not be used for producing electricity from wind.

Interior shall establish a Bureau of Land Management Foundation and grant it the same authorities granted to the National Park Foundation for National Park Service activities, for the purpose of providing opportunities for the BLM to address specific challenges that may be better addressed with the support of a foundation.

Actions Timeline

- **Apr 5, 2017:** Subcommittee Hearings Held.
- **Mar 28, 2017:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Federal Lands.
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