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# S. 1369

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## IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

JUNE 25, 2009

Mr. WYDEN (for himself and Mr. MERKLEY) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources

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## A BILL

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*  
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Molalla River Wild  
5 and Scenic Rivers Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. DESIGNATION OF WILD AND SCENIC RIVER SEG-**  
2 **MENTS, MOLALLA RIVER, OREGON.**

3 Section 3(a) of the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act (16  
4 U.S.C. 1274(a)) is amended by adding at the end the fol-  
5 lowing:

6 “(208) MOLALLA RIVER, OREGON.—

7 “(A) IN GENERAL.—The following seg-  
8 ments in the State of Oregon, to be adminis-  
9 tered by the Secretary of the Interior as a rec-  
10 reational river:

11 “(i) MOLALLA RIVER.—The approxi-  
12 mately 15.1-mile segment from the south-  
13 ern boundary line of T. 7 S., R. 4 E., sec.  
14 19, downstream to the edge of the Bureau  
15 of Land Management boundary in T. 6 S.,  
16 R. 3 E., sec. 7.

17 “(ii) TABLE ROCK FORK MOLALLA  
18 RIVER.—The approximately 6.2-mile seg-  
19 ment from the easternmost Bureau of  
20 Land Management boundary line in the  
21 NE<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> sec. 4, T. 7 S., R. 4 E., downstream  
22 to the confluence with the Molalla River.

23 “(B) WITHDRAWAL.—Subject to valid ex-  
24 isting rights, the Federal land within the  
25 boundaries of the river segments designated by

1           subparagraph (A) is withdrawn from all forms  
2           of—

3                   “(i) entry, appropriation, or disposal  
4                   under the public land laws;

5                   “(ii) location, entry, and patent under  
6                   the mining laws; and

7                   “(iii) disposition under all laws relat-  
8                   ing to mineral and geothermal leasing or  
9                   mineral materials.

10           “(C) EFFECT OF DESIGNATION.—

11                   “(i) IN GENERAL.—The designation of  
12                   the river segments under this paragraph  
13                   shall not affect valid existing rights (in-  
14                   cluding rights-of-way and easements) in,  
15                   through, and to the land designated as  
16                   part of the Wild and Scenic River System  
17                   under this paragraph.

18                   “(ii) PRIVATE LAND.—Nothing in this  
19                   paragraph requires management of private  
20                   land within the basins of the river seg-  
21                   ments designated under this paragraph in  
22                   a manner different than that required  
23                   under State law, including Chapter 527 of  
24                   the Oregon Revised Statutes.”.

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