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2<sup>D</sup> SESSION

# S. 3075

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IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

MARCH 4, 2010

Mr. BAUCUS (for himself and Mr. TESTER) 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 “North Fork Watershed  
5       Protection Act of 2010”.

6       **SEC. 2. WITHDRAWAL.**

7       (a) **DEFINITIONS.**—In this section:

1           (1) ELIGIBLE FEDERAL LAND.—The term “eli-  
2           gible Federal land” means any federally owned land  
3           or interest in land depicted on the Map as within the  
4           North Fork Flathead Watershed.

5           (2) MAP.—The term “Map” means the Bureau  
6           of Land Management map entitled “North Fork  
7           Federal Lands Withdrawal Area” and dated Feb-  
8           ruary 27, 2010.

9           (b) WITHDRAWAL.—Subject to valid existing rights,  
10          the eligible Federal land is withdrawn from—

11           (1) all forms of location, entry, and patent  
12           under the mining laws; and

13           (2) disposition under all laws relating to min-  
14           eral or geothermal leasing.

15           (c) AVAILABILITY OF MAP.—The Map shall be made  
16          available to the public at each appropriate office of the  
17          Bureau of Land Management by not later than 30 days  
18          after the date of enactment of this Act.

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