

There was no objection.

Mr. RADANOVICH. Mr. Speaker, I yield myself such time as I may consume.

Mr. Speaker, H.R. 1129, introduced by the gentleman from Colorado (Mr. UDALL), would authorize a small land exchange in Pitkin County, Colorado, between the Bureau of Land Management, the U.S. Forest Service, and Pitkin County. The bill would transfer 35 acres, once a part of the Ryan Ranch, in White River National Forest, to the Forest Service. This property is nearly surrounded by public land and valued by the communities as open space. In exchange, the county would acquire 5.5 acres known as the Wildwood parcel from the Forest Service and a total of 45.92 acres from the Bureau of Land Management consisting of mining claims and land along the Crystal River. The BLM parcels about county land, and the Crystal River land will be subject to permanent conservation easement for public access.

The exchange is strongly supported by local officials and would help consolidate public and private ownership of Pitkin County.

Mr. Speaker, I reserve the balance of my time.

Mr. UDALL of Colorado. Mr. Speaker, I yield myself such time as I may consume.

Mr. Speaker, I obviously rise in support of this bill which I introduced, and which is cosponsored by my colleague from Colorado (Mr. SALAZAR). I want to thank Chairman POMBO and Ranking Member RAHALL, as well as Subcommittee Chairman WALDEN and Ranking Member TOM UDALL for making it possible for this bill to be on the floor today.

The bill provides for completion of the land exchange that involves Pitkin County, Colorado, on the one hand and two Federal agencies, the Forest Service and the BLM, on the other.

Under the exchange, the County will transfer two parcels to the Forest Service, a 5-acre tract known as the Ryan property, near the ghost town of Ashcroft; and in addition, about 18.2 acres on Smuggler Mountain near Aspen, Colorado. These acquisitions will complete the Ashcroft Preservation Project, which was initiated by the Forest Service in 1980 to consolidate its National Forest land ownership in and around the historic ghost town of Ashcroft.

They will also help the Forest Service better manage its lands on Smuggler Mountain, a heavily used recreational area directly above the City of Aspen.

In return, the Federal Government will transfer to the County; first, a 5.5 acre tract south of Aspen known as the Wildwood parcel, which the county in turn will transfer to private ownership after reserving a permanent public easement for a trail.

Second, nearly 6 acres, spread over 12 scattered locations on Smuggler Mountain that abut or are near lands owned by the county.

And, finally, a 40-acre tract of BLM land along the Crystal River, which will be subject to a permanent conservation easement limiting future use to recreational, fish and wildlife, and open-space purposes.

The bill, Mr. Speaker, requires standard appraisals of all properties involved. It provides that if the lands going to the county are worth less than what the county is giving to the Federal Government, the county will waive additional payment. On the other hand, if the lands provided by the county are worth less than those the county is to receive, the county will either pay cash to equalize or convey an additional tract of about 160 acres in the Sellers' Meadow area near Hagerman Pass to make up the difference.

A similar measure, Senate bill 100, has been introduced by Colorado's Senators. I think the bill is fair and balanced, and I am not aware of any controversy connected with it. I urge its passage.

Finally, Mr. Speaker, it is clear that the leadership and energy of my colleague from the west slope of Colorado (Mr. SALAZAR), who represents this beautiful part of our State, are a key part of why this bill is in front us today, and I want to commend him for his involvement and ask the other body to take this up with dispatch.

Mr. SALAZAR. Mr. Speaker, H.R. 1129, the "Pitkin County Land Exchange Act", is a good bill that will bring an end to a longstanding land exchange issue.

The proposed exchange will transfer to Pitkin County a key scenic parcel along the Crystal River.

This key parcel is one of the scenic gems of the Roaring Fork Valley and deserves to be protected in its natural state.

Pitkin County, Colorado is an area of intense development and this exchange will help ensure their popular open space preservation efforts can continue.

Not only does this bill have the support of the Pitkin County Commissioners, but also many other community groups.

This land exchange is also in the best interest of the public to help ensure some of the most beautiful pristine areas stay undeveloped.

This is a good bill and I ask my colleagues to support this legislation.

Mr. Speaker, I yield back the balance of my time.

Mr. RADANOVICH. Mr. Speaker, I have no further requests for time, and I yield back the balance of my time.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion offered by the gentleman from California (Mr. RADANOVICH) that the House suspend the rules and pass the bill, H.R. 1129, as amended.

The question was taken; and (two-thirds having voted in favor thereof) the rules were suspended and the bill, as amended, was passed.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

YOSEMITE NATIONAL PARK PAYMENT AUTHORIZATION

Mr. RADANOVICH. Mr. Speaker, I move to suspend the rules and pass the Senate bill (S. 136) to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to provide supplemental funding and other services that are necessary to assist certain local school districts in the State of California in providing educational services for students attending schools located within Yosemite National Park, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to adjust the boundaries of the Golden Gate National Recreation Area, to adjust the boundaries of Redwood National Park, and for other purposes.

The Clerk read as follows:

S. 136

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

SECTION 1. TABLE OF CONTENTS.

The table of contents of this Act is as follows:

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Sec. 302. Redwood National Park boundary adjustment.

TITLE I—YOSEMITE NATIONAL PARK AUTHORIZED PAYMENTS

SEC. 101. PAYMENTS FOR EDUCATIONAL SERVICES.

(a) IN GENERAL.—(1) For fiscal years 2006 through 2009, the Secretary of the Interior may provide funds to the Bass Lake Joint Union Elementary School District and the Mariposa Unified School District in the State of California for educational services to students—

(A) who are dependents of persons engaged in the administration, operation, and maintenance of Yosemite National Park; or

(B) who live within or near the park upon real property owned by the United States.

(2) The Secretary's authority to make payments under this section shall terminate if the State of California or local education agencies do not continue to provide funding to the schools referred to in subsection (a) at per student levels that are no less than the amount provided in fiscal year 2005.

(b) LIMITATION ON USE OF FUNDS.—Payments made under this section shall only be used to pay public employees for educational services provided in accordance with subsection (a). Payments may not be used for construction, construction contracts, or major capital improvements.

(c) LIMITATION ON AMOUNT OF FUNDS.—Payments made under this section shall not exceed the lesser of—

(1) \$400,000 in any fiscal year; or

(2) the amount necessary to provide students described in subsection (a) with educational services that are normally provided and generally available to students who attend public schools elsewhere in the State of California.

(d) SOURCE OF PAYMENTS.—(1) Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, the Secretary may use funds available to the National Park Service from appropriations, donations, or fees.

(2) Funds from the following sources shall not be used to make payments under this section:

(A) Any law authorizing the collection or expenditure of entrance or use fees at units of the National Park System, including—

(i) the Land and Water Conservation Fund Act of 1965 (16 U.S.C. 4601-4 et seq.); and

(ii) the Federal Lands Recreation Enhancement Act (16 U.S.C. 6801 et seq.).

(B) Any unexpended receipts collected through—

(i) the recreational fee demonstration program established under section 315 of the Department of the Interior and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 1996 (16 U.S.C. 4601-6a note; Public Law 104-134); or

(ii) the national park passport program established under section 602 of the National Parks Omnibus Management Act of 1998 (16 U.S.C. 5992).

(C) Emergency appropriations for flood recovery at Yosemite National Park.

(3)(A) The Secretary may use an authorized funding source to make payments under this section only if the funding available to Yosemite National Park from such source (after subtracting any payments to the school districts authorized under this section) is greater than or equal to the amount made available to the park for the prior fiscal year, or in fiscal year 2005, whichever is greater.

(B) It is the sense of Congress that any payments made under this section should not result in a reduction of funds to Yosemite National Park from any specific funding source, and that with respect to appropriated funds, funding levels should reflect annual increases in the park's operating base funds that are generally made to units of the National Park System.

SEC. 102. AUTHORIZATION FOR PARK FACILITIES TO BE LOCATED OUTSIDE THE BOUNDARIES OF YOSEMITE NATIONAL PARK.

(a) FUNDING AUTHORITY FOR TRANSPORTATION SYSTEMS AND EXTERNAL FACILITIES.—Section 814(c) of the Omnibus Parks and Public Lands Management Act of 1996 (16 U.S.C. 346e) is amended—

(1) in the heading by inserting “**AND YOSEMITE NATIONAL PARK**” after “**ZION NATIONAL PARK**”;

(2) in the first sentence—

(A) by inserting “and Yosemite National Park” after “Zion National Park”; and

(B) by inserting “for transportation systems or” after “appropriated funds”; and

(3) in the second sentence by striking “facilities” and inserting “systems or facilities”.

(b) CLARIFYING AMENDMENT FOR TRANSPORTATION FEE AUTHORITY.—Section 501 of the National Parks Omnibus Management Act of 1998 (16 U.S.C. 5981) is amended in the first sentence by striking “service contract” and inserting “service contract, cooperative agreement, or other contractual arrangement”.

TITLE II—RANCHO CORRAL DE TIERRA GOLDEN GATE NATIONAL RECREATION AREA BOUNDARY ADJUSTMENT

SEC. 201. SHORT TITLE.

This title may be cited as the “Rancho Corral de Tierra Golden Gate National Recreation Area Boundary Adjustment Act”.

SEC. 202. GOLDEN GATE NATIONAL RECREATION AREA, CALIFORNIA.

Section 2(a) of Public Law 92-589 (16 U.S.C. 460bb-1(a)) is amended—

(1) by striking “The recreation area shall comprise” and inserting the following:

“(1) INITIAL LANDS.—The recreation area shall comprise”; and

(2) by striking “The following additional lands are also” and all that follows through the period at the end of the subsection and inserting the following new paragraphs:

“(2) ADDITIONAL LANDS.—In addition to the lands described in paragraph (1), the recreation area shall include the following:

“(A) The parcels numbered by the Assessor of Marin County, California, 119-040-04, 119-040-05, 119-040-18, 166-202-03, 166-010-06, 166-010-07, 166-010-24, 166-010-25, 119-240-19, 166-010-10, 166-010-22, 119-240-03, 119-240-51, 119-240-52, 119-240-54, 166-010-12, 166-010-13, and 119-235-10.

“(B) Lands and waters in San Mateo County generally depicted on the map entitled ‘Sweeney Ridge Addition, Golden Gate National Recreation Area’, numbered NRA GG-80,000-A, and dated May 1980.

“(C) Lands acquired under the Golden Gate National Recreation Area Addition Act of 1992 (16 U.S.C. 460bb-1 note; Public Law 102-299).

“(D) Lands generally depicted on the map entitled ‘Additions to Golden Gate National Recreation Area’, numbered NPS-80-076, and dated July 2000/PWR-PLRPC.

“(E) Lands generally depicted on the map entitled ‘Rancho Corral de Tierra Additions to the Golden Gate National Recreation Area’, numbered NPS-80,079E, and dated March 2004.

“(3) ACQUISITION LIMITATION.—The Secretary may acquire land described in paragraph (2)(E) only from a willing seller.”.

TITLE III—REDWOOD NATIONAL PARK BOUNDARY ADJUSTMENT

SEC. 301. SHORT TITLE.

This title may be cited as the “Redwood National Park Boundary Adjustment Act of 2005”.

SEC. 302. REDWOOD NATIONAL PARK BOUNDARY ADJUSTMENT.

Section 2(a) of the Act of Public Law 90-545 (16 U.S.C. 79b(a)) is amended—

(1) in the first sentence, by striking “(a) The area” and all that follows through the period at the end and inserting the following:

“(a)(1) The Redwood National Park consists of the land generally depicted on the map entitled ‘Redwood National Park, Revised Boundary’, numbered 167/60502, and dated February, 2003.”;

(2) by inserting after paragraph (1) (as designated by paragraph (1)) the following:

“(2) The map referred to in paragraph (1) shall be—

“(A) on file and available for public inspection in the appropriate offices of the National Park Service; and

“(B) provided by the Secretary of the Interior to the appropriate officers of Del Norte and Humboldt Counties, California.”; and

(3) in the second sentence—

(A) by striking “The Secretary” and inserting the following:

“(3) The Secretary;” and

(B) by striking “one hundred and six thousand acres” and inserting “133,000 acres”.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to the rule, the gentleman from California (Mr. RADANOVICH) and the gentleman from Colorado (Mr. UDALL) each will control 20 minutes.

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from California.

GENERAL LEAVE

Mr. RADANOVICH. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that all Mem-

bers may have 5 legislative days to revise and extend their remarks and include extraneous material on the bill under consideration.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from California?

There was no objection.

Mr. RADANOVICH. Mr. Speaker, I yield myself such time as I may consume.

Mr. Speaker, S. 136, introduced by Senator DIANNE FEINSTEIN of California, would authorize the Secretary of the Interior to adjust the southern boundary of the Golden Gate National Recreation Area and adjust the boundary of the Redwood National State Park to include new lands acquired by the State of California. In addition, S. 136 contains a provision providing supplemental funding and other services necessary to assist three schools in my congressional district located within Yosemite National Park.

These three schools serve the children of Yosemite National Park, the Park Service, and concession employees, and the schools are located a significant distance from other public schools in Mariposa and Madera counties. Because the schools are small, and California bases its State funding on the number of students, the schools do not receive sufficient State funds to operate.

S. 136 addresses this problem by giving the Yosemite National Park superintendent the authority to use a portion of its existing budget to help provide funds for the education of these children whose parents work in the Park. As the author of the House version of this language, I know firsthand that it will mean a great deal to the lives of the families in Yosemite National Park.

Also with respect to S. 136, I would like to extend my appreciation to Senator DIANNE FEINSTEIN for her commitment and assistance in helping pass this bill in the Senate, and I do urge adoption of the bill.

Mr. Speaker, I reserve the balance of my time.

Mr. UDALL of Colorado. Mr. Speaker, I yield myself such time as I may consume.

(Mr. UDALL of Colorado asked and was given permission to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. UDALL of Colorado. Mr. Speaker, my good friend, the gentleman from California, has already explained the purpose of Senate bill 136, which passed the Senate on July 26, 2005, and includes two measures that were sponsored in the House by my Democratic colleagues from California, Congressman TOM LANTOS and Congressman MIKE THOMPSON.

The boundary adjustment at the Golden Gate National Recreation Area has involved considerable time and effort. I want to commend my colleague from California (Mr. LANTOS) for his leadership and persistence in making

this important boundary addition a reality, and also note the help and support Leader PELOSI and the other members of the Bay Area delegation.

Likewise, I would commend my colleague from California (Mr. THOMPSON) for his efforts on behalf of that portion of the legislation involving Redwood National Park. Mr. Speaker, we support Senate bill 136 and urge adoption of the legislation by the House today.

Mr. Speaker, it is my great privilege to yield such time as he may consume to the distinguished gentleman from California (Mr. LANTOS).

Mr. LANTOS. Mr. Speaker, first I want to thank my distinguished colleague and good friend from Colorado for yielding and for his extraordinary work on all environmental and similar issues.

I rise in strong support of S. 136 and its provisions for the Rancho Corral de Tierra Golden Gate National Recreation Area Boundary Adjustment Act. Our bill adds approximately 4,700 acres to the Golden Gate National Recreation Area, and it also has provisions for the Redwood National Park and Yosemite National Park.

Mr. Speaker, I first introduced the GGNRA bill in the 107th Congress with the support of my friends, Senators FEINSTEIN and BOXER, and the entire Bay Area Congressional delegation.

One of the Nation's most visited national parks, GGNRA, includes well-known places like Alcatraz, the Marin Headlands, Fort Funston, Fort Mason, the Muir Woods National Monument, the Fort Point National Historic Site, and, of course, the Presidio of San Francisco.

Our Rancho Corral de Tierra addition includes one of the largest undeveloped parcels of the San Mateo County coast south of the City of San Francisco. It is spectacularly beautiful territory.

Our permanent protection will preserve unique coastal habitats of threatened, rare, and endangered plant and animal species. It will curb future disruptive development along the Pacific coast. It will provide important scenic and recreational opportunities for millions of our residents and visitors from all across the globe.

The Rancho Corral de Tierra parcel, with its relatively untouched upper elevations, preserves habitat for several threatened and endangered plant and animal species. It contains four important coastal watersheds that provide riparian corridors for steel head trout, coho salmon, and other aquatic species.

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The owner of Rancho Corral de Tierra is the Peninsula Open Space Trust, or POST, a remarkable organization which paid \$29.75 million to save the site from development. POST is a land conservancy trust with a remarkable track record of protecting open space in the Bay Area. POST will help preserve the area by donating from public and private contributions a substantial

amount of the Federal acquisition costs of Rancho Corral de Tierra.

Our bill also authorizes the National Park Service to include over 500 acres of land in the Devil's Slide section of our coastal highway, the scenic highway that winds along the entire California coast.

It will include approximately 300 acres of the Martini Creek-Devil's Slide Bypass right-of-way originally purchased by Caltrans to build a highway across Montara Mountain. When San Mateo County voters overwhelmingly decided to build the Devil's Slide Tunnel rather than the bypass in 1996, the right-of-way became obsolete. This property contains approximately 300 acres that Caltrans will now be able to donate to the National Park Service.

Preserving our unique natural areas for our children, and in my case our grandchildren, is one of the highest priorities that I have as a Member of Congress. I would like to thank all those who have helped bring this important legislation to the House for consideration today: my dear friend and distinguished colleague, Senator FEINSTEIN, has been and continues to be an unfailing advocate and leader for protecting valuable land in our State. She has been a tremendous partner for me to work with on this matter. The Bay Area congressional delegation has been united and unwavering in their support, including the Democratic leader, Ms. PELOSI, Senator BOXER, and my colleagues Ms. ESHOO, Mr. HONDA, Ms. ZOE LOFGREN, Mr. STARK, Mrs. TAUSCHER, Ms. LEE, Mr. GEORGE MILLER, Ms. WOOLSEY, and Mr. THOMPSON.

I would also like to thank the Committee on Resources for their long efforts on this legislation, including Chairman POMBO and the ranking member, Mr. RAHALL. On the National Parks Subcommittee, the former chairman, Mr. RADANOVICH, and the current chairman, Mr. PEARCE, and the ranking member, Mrs. CHRISTENSEN, have been enormously helpful.

I would like to extend a special thank you to Audrey Rust, president of the Peninsula Open Space Trust, a prominent leader on preservation issues in the Bay Area and across the Nation. Without her leadership and her accomplishments, we certainly would not be in a position to be here today to protect this property.

I also want to thank the many government officials who have actively participated in support of this work including the San Mateo County Board of Supervisors, the California Department of Transportation, the National Park Service and Brian O'Neill General Superintendent at the Golden Gate National Recreation Area.

Many members of the professional staff have also dedicated their expertise to bringing us here today and I want to acknowledge and thank Rick Healey and Rob Howarth of the House Resources Committee, David Brooks of the Senate Energy and Natural Resources Committee, Nicole Brownlee and John Watts of Mrs. Feinstein's staff, Chris Walker of my

staff, Daphne Muehle of the Peninsula Open Space Trust, and Chris Powell of the National Park Service.

And most importantly, in conclusion, I want to thank my friends and neighbors of the Bay Area, particularly those in the 12th Congressional District, who envision a future that includes the protection of the park for generations yet unborn. Without their enlightened support for preservation, we would be unable to accomplish this incredible success that we have achieved here today.

Ms. ESHOO. Mr. Speaker, I rise in support of S. 136, the Rancho Corral de Tierra Golden Gate National Recreation Area Boundary Adjustment Act, which will add approximately 4,700 acres to the Golden Gate National Recreation Area, also known as the GGNRA.

There has been a long journey in the effort to secure the passage of this bill. I was proud to cosponsor the legislation when Congressman LANTOS first introduced it in May of 2001 and testified in the Senate Subcommittee on National Parks in support of the bill 5 long years ago.

The bill sets aside precious environmental spaces for the benefit of the broader community. It has undergone changes over the years to safeguard local agriculture in San Mateo County, and as a result, there is broad local support for this legislation.

These efforts don't just happen, it takes people of vision at the local level to recognize the need, to develop a response, and rally support. We have the best, Audrey Rust, the President of the Peninsula Open Space Trust, POST.

Ms. Rust has demonstrated great determination and flexibility in the many years of working on this bill, and she and POST deserve our thanks, recognition, and gratitude.

Acquiring this land is an environmental victory because it is habitat for several rare, threatened, endangered species. Future generations will respect and enjoy the fruits of our efforts and that's why I urge all my colleagues to vote for this critical legislation.

I salute Representative LANTOS for his work and thank Senator FEINSTEIN and Representative RADANOVICH for their efforts to see this legislation through.

Mr. UDALL of Colorado. Mr. Speaker, I have no further requests for time, and I yield back the balance of my time.

Mr. RADANOVICH. Mr. Speaker, I have no further requests for time, and I yield back the balance of my time.

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. BOOZMAN). The question is on the motion offered by the gentleman from California (Mr. RADANOVICH) that the House suspend the rules and pass the Senate bill, S. 136.

The question was taken; and (two-thirds having voted in favor thereof) the rules were suspended and the Senate bill was passed.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

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Ms. FOXX. Mr. Speaker, I move to suspend the rules and agree to the concurrent resolution (H. Con. Res. 273)