

AMENDMENT TO H.R. 2647

OFFERED BY MR. WESTERMAN OF ARKANSAS

Page 6, strike lines 2 through 9, and insert the following: “U.S.C. 1609(a).”.

Page 13, strike lines 1 through 7 and insert the following:

1 (1) ROAD BUILDING.—A salvage operation covered by the categorical exclusion granted by subsection (a) may not include any new permanent roads. Temporary roads constructed as part of the salvage operation shall be retired before the end of the second fiscal year beginning after the completion of the salvage operation.

Page 14, after line 11, add the following new subsection (and redesignate the subsequent paragraph accordingly):

8 (b) PROJECT GOALS.—To the maximum extent practicable, the Secretary concerned shall design a forest management activity under this section to meet early successional forest goals in such a manner so as to maximize production and regeneration of priority species, as identi-

1 fied in the forest plan and consistent with the capability
2 of the activity site.

Page 16, after line 2, add the following new sub-
section:

3 (c) AVAILABILITY OF KNUTSON-VANDENBERG
4 FUNDS.—Amounts in the special fund established pursu-
5 ant to section 3 of the Act of June 9, 1930 (commonly
6 known as the Knutson-Vandenberg Act; 16 U.S.C. 576b)
7 shall be available to the Secretary of Agriculture for refor-
8 estation activities authorized by this title.

Page 23, line 10, strike “REQUIREMENT” and insert
“REQUIREMENTS”.

Page 23, line 15, add after the period the following
new sentences: “In the case of a vacancy on a resource
advisory committee, the vacancy shall be filled within 90
days after the date on which the vacancy occurred. Ap-
pointments to a new resource advisory committee shall be
made within 90 days after the date on which the decision
to form the new resource advisory committee was made.”.

Page 23, line 21, add after “paragraph.” the fol-
lowing new sentences: “The charter of a resource advi-
sory committee shall be reapproved before the expiration
of the existing charter of the resource advisory com-
mittee. In the case of a new resource advisory committee,

the charter of the resource advisory committee shall be approved within 90 days after the date on which the decision to form the new resource advisory committee was made.”.

Page 33, line 9, insert after “planning” the following: “(especially related to compliance with section 102(2) of the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (42 U.S.C. 4332(2)))”.

Page 35, line 13, strike “on September 30, 2025” and insert “10 years after the date of the enactment of this Act”.

Page 39, after line 9, insert the following new paragraphs (and redesignate the subsequent paragraph accordingly):

- 1 (2) REQUIREMENTS.—As part of the agreement
2 to treat Federal forest land as Indian forest land
3 under paragraph (1), the Secretary concerned and
4 the Indian tribe making the request shall—
5 (A) provide for continued public access ap-
6 plicable to the Federal forest land prior to the
7 agreement, except that the Secretary concerned
8 may limit or prohibit such access as needed;

1 (B) continue sharing revenue generated by
2 the Federal forest land with State and local
3 governments either—

4 (i) on the terms applicable to the Fed-
5 eral forest land prior to the agreement, in-
6 cluding, where applicable, 25-percent pay-
7 ments or 50 percent payments; or

8 (ii) at the option of the Indian tribe,
9 on terms agreed upon by the Indian tribe,
10 the Secretary concerned, and State and
11 county governments participating in a rev-
12 enue sharing agreement for the Federal
13 forest land;

14 (C) comply with applicable prohibitions on
15 the export of unprocessed logs harvested from
16 the Federal forest land; and

17 (D) recognize all right-of-way agreements
18 in place on Federal forest land prior to com-
19 mencement of tribal management activities.

20 (3) LIMITATION.—Treating Federal forest land
21 as Indian forest land for purposes of planning and
22 conducting management activities pursuant to para-
23 graph (1) shall not be construed to designate the
24 Federal forest land as Indian forest lands for any
25 other purpose.

Page 39, lines 13 and 14, strike “derived from the public domain”.

Amend the title so as to read: “A Bill to expedite under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 and improve forest management activities on National Forest System lands, on public lands under the jurisdiction of the Bureau of Land Management, and on tribal lands to return resilience to overgrown, fire-prone forested lands, and for other purposes.”.

