

**AMENDMENT IN THE NATURE OF A SUBSTITUTE
TO H.R. 3047
OFFERED BY MR. WESTERMAN OF ARKANSAS**

Strike all after the enacting clause and insert the following:

1 SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

2 This Act may be cited as the “Apache County and
3 Navajo County Conveyance Act of 2024”.

**4 SEC. 2. CONVEYANCE OF CERTAIN LAND WITHIN THE
5 APACHE-SITGREAVES NATIONAL FORESTS TO
6 NAVAJO COUNTY, ARIZONA.**

7 (a) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

8 (1) COUNTY.—The term “County” means Nav-
9 ajo County, Arizona.

10 (2) MAP.—The term “map” means the map en-
11 titled “Pinedale Cemetery Expansion” and dated
12 May 23, 2022.

13 (3) SECRETARY.—The term “Secretary” means
14 the Secretary of Agriculture, acting through the
15 Chief of the Forest Service.

16 (b) CONVEYANCE REQUIRED.—Subject to this sec-
17 tion, if the County submits to the Secretary a written re-
18 quest for conveyance of the property described in sub-

1 section (c)(1) not later than 180 days after the date of
2 enactment of this Act, the Secretary shall convey to the
3 County all right, title, and interest of the United States
4 in and to the property described in subsection (c)(1).

5 (c) PROPERTY DESCRIBED.—

6 (1) IN GENERAL.—The property referred to in
7 subsection (b) is—

8 (A) the parcel of real property, including
9 all land and improvements, generally depicted
10 as “Exist. Cemetery” on the map, consisting of
11 approximately 2.5 acres of National Forest Sys-
12 tem land located in the Apache-Sitgreaves Na-
13 tional Forests in Arizona; and

14 (B) the parcel of real property, including
15 all land and improvements, generally depicted
16 as “Proposed Expansion” on the map, con-
17 sisting of approximately 2.5 acres of National
18 Forest System land located in the Apache-
19 Sitgreaves National Forests in Arizona.

20 (2) MAP.—

21 (A) MINOR ERRORS.—The Secretary may
22 correct minor errors in the map.

23 (B) AVAILABILITY.—A copy of the map
24 shall be on file and available for public inspec-

1 tion in the appropriate offices of the Forest
2 Service.

3 (3) SURVEY.—The exact acreage and legal de-
4 scription of the National Forest System land to be
5 conveyed under subsection (b) shall be determined
6 by a survey satisfactory to the Secretary.

7 (d) TERMS AND CONDITIONS.—The conveyance
8 under subsection (b) shall—

9 (1) be subject to valid existing rights;

10 (2) be made without consideration;

11 (3) be made by quitclaim deed;

12 (4) not be subject to section 120(h) of the Com-
13 prehensive Environmental Response, Compensation,
14 and Liability Act of 1980 (42 U.S.C. 9620(h)); and

15 (5) be subject to any other terms and condi-
16 tions as the Secretary considers appropriate to pro-
17 tect the interests of the United States.

18 (e) COSTS OF CONVEYANCE.—As a condition of the
19 conveyance under subsection (b), the County shall pay all
20 costs associated with the conveyance, including the cost
21 of—

22 (1) a survey, if necessary, under subsection
23 (c)(3); and

24 (2) any environmental analysis and resource
25 surveys required by Federal law.

1 (f) REQUIRED USE AS CEMETERY.—The property
2 conveyed to the County under subsection (b) shall be used
3 by the County as a cemetery.

4 (g) REVERSION.—If the property conveyed under
5 subsection (b) is used in a manner that is inconsistent
6 with the requirement of subsection (f), all right, title, and
7 interest in and to the property shall revert to the United
8 States.

9 **SEC. 3. CONVEYANCE OF CERTAIN LAND WITHIN THE**
10 **APACHE-SITGREAVES NATIONAL FORESTS TO**
11 **APACHE COUNTY, ARIZONA.**

12 (a) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

13 (1) COUNTY.—The term “County” means
14 Apache County, Arizona.

15 (2) MAP.—The term “map” means the map en-
16 titled “Exhibit, Alpine Cemetery Townsite” and
17 dated October, 2019.

18 (3) SECRETARY.—The term “Secretary” means
19 the Secretary of Agriculture, acting through the
20 Chief of the Forest Service.

21 (b) CONVEYANCE REQUIRED.—Subject to this sec-
22 tion, if the County submits to the Secretary a written re-
23 quest for conveyance of the property described in sub-
24 section (c)(1) not later than 365 days after the date of
25 enactment of this Act, the Secretary shall convey to the

1 County all right, title, and interest of the United States
2 in and to the property described in subsection (c)(1).

3 (c) PROPERTY DESCRIBED.—

4 (1) IN GENERAL.—The property referred to in
5 subsection (b) is—

6 (A) the parcel of real property, including
7 all land and improvements, generally depicted
8 as the “Existing Alpine Cemetery” on the map,
9 consisting of approximately 2.56 acres of Na-
10 tional Forest System land located in the
11 Apache-Sitgreaves National Forests in Arizona;
12 and

13 (B) the parcel of real property, including
14 all land and improvements, generally depicted
15 as the “Proposed Townsite Tract” on the map,
16 consisting of approximately 8.06 acres of Na-
17 tional Forest System land located in the
18 Apache-Sitgreaves National Forests in Arizona.

19 (2) MAP.—

20 (A) MINOR ERRORS.—The Secretary may
21 correct minor errors in the map.

22 (B) AVAILABILITY.—A copy of the map
23 shall be on file and available for public inspec-
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25 Service.

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