RESOLUTION OF THE NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL 24th NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL - THIRD YEAR, 2021

AN ACTION

RELATING TO THE RESOURCES AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE, NAABIK'ÍYÁTI' COMMITTEE, AND THE NAVAJO NATION COUNCIL; SUPPORTING UNITED STATES SENATE BILL S. 1535 TITLED "AMERICA'S RED ROCK WILDERNESS ACT"

WHEREAS:

- A. The Navajo Nation has a government-to-government relationship with the United States of America, Treaty of 1868, Aug. 12, 1868, 15 Stat. 667.
- B. The Navajo Nation Council is the governing body of the Navajo Nation with the responsibility and authority to promulgate policies of the Navajo Nation. 2 N.N.C. §§ 102(A) and 164(A).
- C. The Naabik'íyátí Committee is a standing committee of the Navajo Nation Council with the authority and responsibility to hear and act on all resolutions that require final action by the Navajo Nation Council. 2 N.N.C. §§ 164(A)(9) and 700(A).
- D. The Resources and Development Committee is a standing committee of the Navajo Nation Council with oversight authority over water, land, environment, environmental protection, cultural resources, and wildlife, etc. and the authority and responsibility to protect the rights, interests, sacred sites and freedoms of the Navajo Nation and Navajo People regarding such resources, now and for future generations. 2 N.N.C. §§ 500(A),(C), and (C)(1).
- E. On January 20, 2021, President of the United States, Joe Biden issued Executive Order No. 13990 entitiled: "Protecting Public Health and the Environment and Restoring Science to Tackle the Climate Crises" ("Executive Order on the Climate Crisis") stating that "[o]ur Nation has an abiding commitment to [...] promote and protect our public health and the environment; and conserve our national treasures and monuments, places that structure our national memory" and "[w]here the Federal Government has failed to meet that commitment in the past, it must advance environmental justice . . ."
- F. President Biden further stated in the Executive Order on the Climate Crisis that the policy of the Biden Administration is to "listen to the science; to improve public health and protect

our environment to ensure access to clean air and water; to limit exposure to dangerous chemicals and pesticides; to hold polluters accountable, including those who disproportionately harm communities of color and low- income communities; to reduce greenhouse gas emissions, to bolster resilience to the impacts of climate change; to restore and expand our national treasures and monuments; and to prioritize environmental justice . . ."

- Tribal issued a "Memorandum G. President Biden also Nation-to-Nation Consultation and Strengthening Relationships'' ("Memorandum on Tribal Consultation") on January 26, 2021, which stated that "[it] is a priority of my Administration to make respect for Tribal sovereignty and selfgovernance, commitment to fulfilling Federal trust and treaty responsibilities to Tribal Nations, and regular, meaningful, and robust consultation with Tribal Nations, a cornerstone of Federal Indian policy." The memorandum further states that the U.S. has made promises to Tribal Nations for at least two centuries and "[h] onoring those commitments is particularly vital now, as our Nation faces crises related to health, the economy, racial justice, and climate change - all of which disproportionately harms Native Americans".
- H. President Biden further stated in his Memorandum on Tribal Consultation that the Federal Government has much to learn from Tribal Nations and his "Administration is committed to honoring Tribal sovereignty and including Tribal voices in policy deliberation that affects Tribal Communities."
- I. President Biden next issued Executive Order No. 14008 titled: "Tackling the Climate Crisis at Home and Abroad" on January 27, 2021, which acknowledges the profound climate crisis, and sets forth his Administration's policy of making climate considerations an essential element in its decision-making process on a broad scale, in order to avoid setting the world on a dangerous, potentially catastrophic, climate trajectory.
- J. The President's Executive Order No. 14008 further initiated a directive whereby thirty percent (30%) of the United State's lands and waters are to be conserved and preserved by 2030 ("30x30") in order to reduce greenhouse gas emissions.
- K. The Navajo Nation Council recognizes that conserving the undeveloped lands and resources currently managed by the federal government in Utah will help in President Biden's effort to address climate change and will also help protect and preserve the cultural, prehistoric and historic records and legacy of the Diné and other Native Peoples, and the

- cultural traditions and practices of Native Peoples that continue today.
- L. The Navajo Nation Council also recognizes that one of the best tools the U.S. Congress has to help meet the President's "30x30" goal is to legislatively designate all of the qualified undeveloped public lands in Utah as Wilderness pursuant to the Wilderness Act of 1964 (Pub. L. 88-577).
- M. The Navajo Nation Council further recognizes that management of Wilderness is one of the strongest and most protective designations available to public lands and will keep fossil fuels in the ground so that greenhouse gases and other pollution that exacerbates climate change will not be produced during the exploration, development and eventual combustion of those natural resources.
- N. The Navajo Nation Council is sadly aware of the significant negative long-term health impacts to our People, and the extensive environmental impacts to our lands and water that the Dine' have suffered from the exploration and development of oil, gas and uranium near our homes and communities, and recognizes that these fossil fuel resources and minerals, once put into production, have also caused broader climate change impacts.
- O. The Navajo Nation Council appreciates and supports that designating undeveloped lands as Wilderness will provide quantifiable carbon sequestration benefits, and important climate adaptation benefits to plants and wildlife, and will also conserve scarce water resources and reduce fugitive dust emissions which exacerbate climate change effects.
- P. The Navajo Nation Council further acknowledges that lands covered by United Senate Bill S. 1535 titled "America's Red Rock Wilderness Act", attached as **Exhibit A**, with map attached as **Exhibit B**, including lands that were within the boundaries of the original Bears Ears National Monument established by Presidential Proclamation No. 9558 on December 28, 2016, are culturally and traditionally significant to many Native peoples, including the Diné.
- Q. The Navajo Nation Council also acknowledges and recognizes that for hundreds of generations Native peoples have lived in the canyons and mountains and on the mesas included in America's Red Rock Wilderness Act and that these sensitive areas comprise one of the most extensive and significant cultural landscapes in the United States.

- R. The Navajo Nation Council additionally recognizes that the rock art, cliff dwellings and other structures and ceremonial sites located on lands included in "America's Red Rock Wilderness Act", are the critically important records of Native peoples' habitation that tells the story of the subsistence of daily life, traditions, and ceremonies of many generations past.
- S. The Navajo Nation Council recognizes that the cultural importance of the lands and resources included in America's Red Rock Wilderness Act are sacred to many Native peoples, including the Navajo, and that important historic remnants of Navajo Hogan's, pottery, sweat lodges, sheep-herding camps and farming are found throughout the lands included in America's Red Rock Wilderness Act.
- T. The Navajo Nation Council is also aware there is a remarkable variety of plant species, including sensitive plants that are critical to Navajo traditional and ceremonial uses that grow in areas included in America's Red Rock Wilderness Act. Furthermore, that many species of wildlife whose habitats are included in America's Red Rock Wilderness Act are important to Navajo ceremonies and the Navajo way of life.
- U. The Navajo Nation Council firmly believes that protecting the lands and resources included in America's Red Rock Wilderness Act from Cedar Mesa to the Book Cliffs, from the San Rafael Swell and the Escalante to the West Desert will help protect and preserve the cultural prehistoric and historic records which are the legacy of the Navajo and other Native peoples, and will help protect the plants and animals that are part of Navajo heritage and cultural traditions and practices that continue through today.
- V. The Navajo Nation Council is sadly aware that there are various activities, including mineral and energy development, unmanaged recreation, vandalism and looting, and other actions that harm the cultural and natural resources on public lands included in America's Red Rock Wilderness Act, S. 1535. Designating these lands as Wilderness will better protect these cultural and natural resources from damaging development and activities.
- W. As the governing body of the Navajo Nation, the Navajo Nation Council, with support from Navajo Nation Chapters (see chapter resolutions attached as **Exhibit** C) hereby supports S. 1535 and Congressional wilderness designation for and protection of lands within America's Red Rock Wilderness Act to help address the climate crisis as set forth in Executive Orders No. 13990 and 14008.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

- A. The Navajo Nation Council hereby supports United States Senate Bill S. 1535 titled, "America's Red Rock Wilderness Act" attached hereto as **Exhibit A.**
- B. The Navajo Nation Council hereby authorizes the Speaker of the Navajo Nation Council, President of the Navajo Nation, and their designees, to support United States Senate Bill S. 1535 titled, "America's Red Rock Wilderness Act".

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was duly considered by the 24th Navajo Nation Council at a duly called meeting in Window Rock, Navajo Nation (Arizona), at which a quorum was present and that the same was passed by a vote of 21 in Favor, and 00 Opposed, on this 30th day of September 2021.

Honorable Seth Damon, Speaker 24th Navajo Nation Council

Oct 5, 2021

Motion: Honorable Amber Kanazbah Crotty Second: Honorable Eugenia Charles-Newton

Speaker Seth Damon not voting





117TH CONGRESS 1ST SESSION

S. 1535

To designate as wilderness certain Federal portions of the red rock canyons of the Colorado Plateau and the Great Basin Deserts in the State of Utah for the benefit of present and future generations of people in the United States.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

May 10, 2021

Mr. Durbin (for himself, Mr. Blumenthal, Mr. Booker, Mr. Leahy, Mr. Merkley, Mrs. Murray, and Mr. Menendez) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources

A BILL

- To designate as wilderness certain Federal portions of the red rock canyons of the Colorado Plateau and the Great Basin Deserts in the State of Utah for the benefit of present and future generations of people in the United States.
 - 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; TABLE OF CONTENTS.
- 4 (a) SHORT TITLE.—This Act may be cited as the
- 5 "America's Red Rock Wilderness Act".

1 (b) Table of Contents of

2 this Act is as follows:

- Sec. 1. Short title; table of contents.
- Sec. 2. Definitions.
- Sec. 3. Findings.
- Sec. 4. Purposes.

TITLE I—DESIGNATION OF WILDERNESS AREAS

- Sec. 101. Great Basin Wilderness Areas.
- Sec. 102. Grand Staircase-Escalante Wilderness Areas.
- Sec. 103. Moab-La Sal Canyons Wilderness Areas.
- Sec. 104. Henry Mountains Wilderness Areas.
- Sec. 105. Glen Canyon Wilderness Areas.
- Sec. 106. San Juan-Anasazi Wilderness Areas.
- Sec. 107. Canyonlands Basin Wilderness Areas.
- Sec. 108. San Rafael Swell Wilderness Areas.
- Sec. 109. Book Cliffs and Uinta Basin Wilderness Areas.

TITLE II—ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS

- Sec. 201. General provisions.
- Sec. 202. Administration.
- Sec. 203. State school trust land within wilderness areas.
- Sec. 204. Water.
- Sec. 205. Roads.
- Sec. 206. Livestock.
- Sec. 207. Fish and wildlife.
- Sec. 208. Protection of Tribal rights.
- Sec. 209. Management of newly acquired land.
- Sec. 210. Withdrawal.

3 SEC. 2. DEFINITIONS.

- 4 In this Act:
- 5 (1) Secretary.—The term "Secretary" means
- 6 the Secretary of the Interior, acting through the Bu-
- 7 reau of Land Management.
- 8 (2) STATE.—The term "State" means the State
- 9 of Utah.
- 10 SEC. 3. FINDINGS.
- 11 Congress finds that—

1	(1) the land designated as wilderness by this
2	Act is 1 of the largest remaining expanses of unpro-
3	tected, wild public land in the continental United
4	States;
5	(2) the designation of wilderness by this Act
6	would—
7	(A) increase landscape connectivity in the
8	Colorado Plateau; and
9	(B) help to mitigate the impacts of climate
10	change by—
11	(i) providing critical refugia;
12	(ii) reducing surface disturbances that
13	exacerbate the impacts of climate change;
14	(iii) reducing greenhouse gas emis-
15	sions related to the extraction and use of
16	fossil fuels; and
17	(iv) contributing to the goal of pro-
18	tecting 30 percent of global land and
19	waters by 2030;
20	(3) the land designated as wilderness by this
21	Act is—
22	(A) a living cultural landscape;
23	(B) a place of refuge for wild nature; and
24	(C) an important part of Indigenous and
25	non-Indigenous community values:

1	(4) Indian Tribes have been present on the land
2	designated as wilderness by this Act since time im-
3	memorial, using the plant, animal, landform, and
4	spiritual values for sustenance and cultural, medic-
5	inal, and ceremonial activities, purposes for which
6	Indigenous people continue to use the land; and
7	(5) the designation of wilderness by this Act-
8	(A) is vital to the continuation and revital-
9	ization of Indigenous cultures; and
10	(B) serves to protect places of Indigenous
11	use and sanctuary.
12	SEC. 4. PURPOSES.
13	The purposes of this Act are—
14	(1) to designate as wilderness certain Federal
15	portions of the red rock canyons of the Colorado
16	Plateau and the Great Basin Deserts in the State of
17	Utah for the benefit of present and future genera-
8	tions of people in the United States;
19	(2) to protect the cultural, ecological, and sce-
20	nic values of land designated as wilderness by this
21	Act for the benefit, use, and enjoyment of present
22	and future generations of people in the United
23	States; and
24	(3) to protect the ability of Indigenous and non-
25	Indigenous people to use the land designated as wil-

1	derness by this Act for traditional activities, includ-
2	ing hunting, fishing, hiking, horsepacking, camping
3	and spirituality as people have used the land for
4	generations.
5	TITLE I—DESIGNATION OF
6	WILDERNESS AREAS
7	SEC. 101. GREAT BASIN WILDERNESS AREAS.
8	(a) FINDINGS.—Congress finds that—
9	(1) the Great Basin region of western Utah is
10	comprised of starkly beautiful mountain ranges that
11	rise as islands from the desert floor;
12	(2) the Wah Wah Mountains in the Great
13	Basin region are arid and austere, with massive cliff
14	faces and leathery slopes speckled with piñon and ju-
15	niper;
16	(3) the Pilot Range and Stansbury Mountains
17	in the Great Basin region are high enough to draw
18	moisture from passing clouds and support eco-
19	systems found nowhere else on earth;
20	(4) from bristlecone pine, the world's oldest liv-
21	ing organism, to newly flowered mountain meadows,
22	mountains of the Great Basin region are islands of
23	nature that—
24	(A) support remarkable biological diversity;
25	and

1	(B) provide opportunities to experience the
2	colossal silence of the Great Basin; and
3	(5) the Great Basin region of western Utah
4	should be protected and managed to ensure the pres-
5	ervation of the natural conditions of the region.
6	(b) DESIGNATION.—In accordance with the Wilder-
7	ness Act (16 U.S.C. 1131 et seq.), the following areas in
8	the State are designated as wilderness areas and as com-
9	ponents of the National Wilderness Preservation System:
10	(1) Antelope Range (approximately 17,000
11	acres).
12	(2) Barn Hills (approximately 21,000 acres).
13	(3) Black Hills (approximately 8,700 acres).
14	(4) Bullgrass Knoll (approximately 16,000
15	acres).
16	(5) Burbank Hills/Tunnel Spring (approxi-
17	mately 94,000 acres).
18	(6) Conger Mountain (approximately 31,000
19	acres).
20	(7) Crater and Silver Island Mountains (ap-
21	proximately 121,000 acres).
22	(8) Crater Bench (approximately 35,000 acres).
23	(9) Cricket Mountains (approximately 56,000
24	acres).

1	(10) Deep Creek Mountains (approximately
2	128,000 acres).
3	(11) Drum Mountains (approximately 40,500
4	acres).
5	(12) Dugway Mountains (approximately 24,500
6	acres).
7	(13) Fish Springs Range (approximately
8	64,500 acres).
9	(14) Granite Peak (approximately 19,500
10	acres).
11	(15) Grassy Mountains (approximately 24,000
12	acres).
13	(16) Grouse Creek Mountains (approximately
14	15,000 acres).
15	(17) House Range (approximately 202,000
16	acres).
17	(18) Keg Mountain (approximately 38,500
18	acres).
19	(19) Kern Mountains (approximately 15,000
20	acres).
21	(20) King Top (approximately 111,000 acres).
22	(21) Little Goose Creek (approximately 1,300
23	acres).
24	(22) Middle/Granite Mountain (approximately
25	81,000 acres).

1	(23) Mount Escalante (approximately 17,500
2	acres).
3	(24) Mountain Home Range (approximately
4	90,000 acres).
5	(25) Newfoundland Mountains (approximately
6	23,000 acres).
7	(26) Ochre Mountain (approximately 13,500
8	acres).
9	(27) Oquirrh Mountains (approximately 8,900
10	acres).
11	(28) Painted Rock (approximately 26,500
12	acres).
13	(29) Paradise/Steamboat Mountains (approxi-
14	mately 136,000 acres).
15	(30) Pilot Range (approximately 44,000 acres).
16	(31) Red Tops (approximately 28,000 acres).
17	(32) Rockwell-Little Sahara (approximately
18	19,000 acres).
19	(33) San Francisco Mountains (approximately
20	40,000 acres).
21	(34) Sand Ridge (approximately 73,000 acres).
22	(35) Sevier Plateau (approximately 30,000
23	acres).
24	(36) Simpson Mountains (approximately 43,000
25	acres).

1	(37) Snake Valley (approximately 103,000
2	acres).
3	(38) Spring Creek Canyon (approximately
4	5,200 acres).
5	(39) Stansbury Island (approximately 9,900
6	acres).
7	(40) Stansbury Mountains (approximately
8	25,000 acres).
9	(41) Thomas Range (approximately 41,000
10	acres).
11	(42) Tule Valley (approximately 159,000
12	acres).
13	(43) Wah Wah Mountains (approximately
14	177,000 acres).
15	(44) White Rock Range (approximately 5,500
16	acres).
17	SEC. 102. GRAND STAIRCASE-ESCALANTE WILDERNESS
18	AREAS.
19	(a) Grand Staircase Area.—
20	(1) FINDINGS.—Congress finds that—
21	(A) the area known as the Grand Staircase
22	rises more than 6,000 feet in a series of great
23	cliffs and plateaus from the depths of the
24	Grand Canyon to the forested rim of Bryce
25	Canyon;

1	(B) the Grand Staircase—
2	(i) spans 6 major life zones, from the
3	lower Sonoran Desert to the alpine forest;
4	and
5	(ii) encompasses geologic formations
6	that display 3,000,000,000 years of
7	Earth's history;
8	(C) land managed by the Secretary lines
9	the intricate canyon system of the Paria River
10	and forms a vital natural corridor connection to
11	the deserts and forests of those national parks;
12	(D) land described in paragraph (2) (other
13	than East of Bryce, the majority of Upper
14	Kanab Creek, Moquith Mountain, Bunting
15	Point, Canaan Mountain, Orderville Canyon,
16	Parunuweap Canyon, and Vermillion Cliffs) is
17	located within the Grand Staircase-Escalante
18	National Monument, as established in 1996;
19	and
20	(E) the Grand Staircase in Utah should be
21	protected and managed as a wilderness area.
22	(2) DESIGNATION.—In accordance with the
23	Wilderness Act (16 U.S.C. 1131 et seq.), the fol-
24	lowing areas in the State are designated as wilder-

1	ness areas and as components of the National Wil-
2	derness Preservation System:
3	(A) Bryce Boot (approximately 2,800
4	acres).
5	(B) Bryce View (approximately 850 acres).
6	(C) Bunting Point (approximately 11,000
7	acres).
8	(D) Canaan Mountain (approximately
9	15,000 acres).
10	(E) East of Bryce (approximately 850
11	acres).
12	(F) Glass Eye Canyon (approximately
13	25,000 acres).
14	(G) Ladder Canyon (approximately 14,000
15	acres).
16	(H) Moquith Mountain (approximately
17	15,500 acres).
18	(I) Nephi Point (approximately 15,000
19	acres).
20	(J) Orderville Canyon (approximately
21	8,100 acres).
22	(K) Paria-Hackberry (approximately
23	196,000 acres).
24	(L) Paria Wilderness Expansion (approxi-
25	mataly 4 000 agree)

1	(M) Parunuweap Canyon (approximately
2	44,500 acres).
3	(N) Pine Hollow (approximately 11,000
4	acres).
5	(O) Slopes of Bryce (approximately 3,700
6	acres).
7	(P) Timber Mountain (approximately
8	52,500 acres).
9	(Q) Upper Kanab Creek (approximately
10	51,000 acres).
11	(R) Vermillion Cliffs (approximately
12	26,000 acres).
13	(S) Willis Creek (approximately 21,000
14	acres).
15	(b) Kaiparowits Plateau.—
16	(1) FINDINGS.—Congress finds that—
17	(A) the Kaiparowits Plateau east of the
18	Paria River is one of the most rugged and iso-
19	lated wilderness regions in the United States;
20	(B) the Kaiparowits Plateau, a windswept
21	land of harsh beauty, contains distant vistas
22	and a remarkable variety of plant and animal
23	species;
24	(C) ancient forests, an abundance of big
25	game animals, and 22 species of raptors thrive

1	undisturbed on the grassland mesa tops of the
2	Kaiparowits Plateau;
3	(D) each of the areas described in para-
4	graph (2) (other than Heaps Canyon, Little
5	Valley, and Wide Hollow) is located within the
6	Grand Staircase-Escalante National Monument,
7	as established in 1996; and
8	(E) the Kaiparowits Plateau should be pro-
9	tected and managed as a wilderness area.
10	(2) DESIGNATION.—In accordance with the
11	Wilderness Act (16 U.S.C. 1131 et seq.), the fol-
12	lowing areas in the State are designated as wilder-
13	ness areas and as components of the National Wil-
14	derness Preservation System:
15	(A) Andalex Not (approximately 18,000
16	acres).
17	(B) Box Canyon (approximately 3,000
18	acres).
19	(C) Burning Hills (approximately 81,000
20	acres).
21	(D) Canaan Peak Slopes (approximately
22	2,500 acres).
23	(E) Carcass Canyon (approximately
24	85 000 agres)

1	(F) Fiftymile Bench (approximately
2	13,000 acres).
3	(G) Fiftymile Mountain (approximately
4	207,000 acres).
5	(H) Heaps Canyon (approximately 4,000
6	acres).
7	(I) Horse Spring Canyon (approximately
8	32,000 acres).
9	(J) Kodachrome Headlands (approximately
10	8,500 acres).
11	(K) Little Valley Canyon (approximately
12	4,000 acres).
13	(L) Mud Spring Canyon (approximately
14	66,000 acres).
15	(M) Nipple Bench (approximately 32,000
16	acres).
17	(N) Paradise Canyon-Wahweap (approxi-
18	mately 266,000 acres).
19	(O) Rock Cove (approximately 17,000
20	acres).
21	(P) The Blues (approximately 22,000
22	acres).
23	(Q) The Cockscomb (approximately 12,000
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1	(R) Warm Creek (approximately 24,000
2	acres).
3	(S) Wide Hollow (approximately 7,700
4	acres).
5	(c) ESCALANTE CANYONS.—
6	(1) FINDINGS.—Congress finds that—
7	(A) glens and coves carved in massive
8	sandstone cliffs, spring-watered hanging gar-
9	dens, and the silence of ancient Anasazi ruins
10	are examples of the unique features that entice
11	hikers, campers, and sightseers from around
12	the world to Escalante Canyon;
13	(B) Escalante Canyon links the spruce fir
14	forests of the 11,000-foot Aquarius Plateau
15	with winding slickrock canyons that flow into
16	Glen Canyon;
17	(C) Escalante Canyon, one of Utah's most
18	popular natural areas, contains critical habitat
19	for deer, elk, and wild bighorn sheep that also
20	enhances the scenic integrity of the area;
21	(D) each of the areas described in para-
22	graph (2) is located within the Grand Staircase-
23	Escalante National Monument, as established
24	in 1996: and

1	(E) Escalante Canyon should be protected
2	and managed as a wilderness area.
3	(2) DESIGNATION.—In accordance with the
4	Wilderness Act (16 U.S.C. 1131 et seq.), the fol-
5	lowing areas in the State are designated as wilder-
6	ness areas and as components of the National Wil-
7	derness Preservation System:
8	(A) Colt Mesa (approximately 28,000
9	acres).
10	(B) Death Hollow (approximately 50,000
11	acres).
12	(C) Forty Mile Gulch (approximately 7,600
13	acres).
14	(D) Lampstand (approximately 11,500
15	aeres).
16	(E) Muley Twist Flank (approximately
17	3,700 acres).
18	(F) North Escalante Canyons (approxi-
19	mately 182,000 acres).
20	(G) Pioneer Mesa (approximately 11,000
21	acres).
22	(H) Scorpion (approximately 61,000
23	acres).
24	(I) Sooner Bench (approximately 500
25	acres).

1	(J) Steep Creek (approximately 36,000
2	acres).
3	(K) Studhorse Peaks (approximately
4	24,000 acres).
5	SEC. 103. MOAB-LA SAL CANYONS WILDERNESS AREAS.
6	(a) FINDINGS.—Congress finds that—
7	(1) the canyons surrounding the La Sal Moun-
8	tains and the town of Moab offer a variety of ex-
9	traordinary landscapes;
10	(2) outstanding examples of natural formations
11	and landscapes in the Moab-La Sal area include the
12	huge sandstone fins of Behind the Rocks, the mys-
13	terious Fisher Towers, and the whitewater rapids of
14	Westwater Canyon; and
15	(3) the Moab-La Sal area should be protected
16	and managed as a wilderness area.
17	(b) DESIGNATION.—In accordance with the Wilder-
18	ness Act (16 U.S.C. 1131 et seq.), the following areas in
19	the State are designated as wilderness areas and as com-
20	ponents of the National Wilderness Preservation System:
21	(1) Arches Adjacent (approximately 4,100
22	acres).
23	(2) Beaver Creek (approximately 45,000 acres).
24	(3) Behind the Rocks (approximately 19,500
25	acres)

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             (4) Big Triangle (approximately 21,500 acres).
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             (5) Coyote Wash (approximately 27,000 acres).
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             (6)
                 Dome Plateau (approximately 36,500
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        acres).
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                 Fisher Towers (approximately 18,000
             (7)
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        acres).
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                 Goldbar Canyon (approximately 9,500
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        acres).
            (9) Granite Creek (approximately 5,000 acres).
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            (10) Hunter Canyon (approximately 5,500
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11
        acres).
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            (11) Mary Jane Canyon (approximately 27,500
13
        acres).
           (12) Mill Creek (approximately 17,000 acres).
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            (13) Morning Glory (approximately 11,000
16
        acres).
            (14) Porcupine Rim (approximately 10,000
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18
        acres).
            (15) Renegade Point (approximately 6,200
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20
        acres).
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            (16) Westwater Canyon (approximately 39,000
22
        acres).
            (17) Yellow Bird (approximately 4,600 acres).
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24 SEC, 104. HENRY MOUNTAINS WILDERNESS AREAS.
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        (a) FINDINGS.—Congress finds that—
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1	(1) the Henry Mountain Range, the last moun-
2	tain range to be discovered and named by early ex-
3	plorers in the contiguous United States, still retains
4	a wild and undiscovered quality;
5	(2) fluted badlands that surround the flanks of
6	11,000-foot Mounts Ellen and Pennell contain areas
7	of critical habitat for mule deer and for the largest
8	herd of free-roaming buffalo in the United States;
9	(3) despite their relative accessibility, the Henry
10	Mountain Range remains one of the wildest, least-
11	known ranges in the United States; and
12	(4) the Henry Mountain range should be pro-
13	tected and managed to ensure the preservation of
14	the range as a wilderness area.
15	(b) DESIGNATION.—In accordance with the Wilder-
16	ness Act (16 U.S.C. 1131 et seq.), the following areas in
17	the State are designated as wilderness areas and as com-
18	ponents of the National Wilderness Preservation System:
19	(1) Bull Mountain (approximately 16,000
20	acres).
21	(2) Bullfrog Creek (approximately 42,000
22	acres).
23	(3) Dogwater Creek (approximately 3,400
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1	(4) Fremont Gorge (approximately 22,000
2	acres).
3	(5) Long Canyon (approximately 16,500 acres).
4	(6) Mount Ellen-Blue Hills (approximately
5	145,000 acres).
6	(7) Mount Hillers (approximately 20,000
7	acres).
8	(8) Mount Pennell (approximately 155,000
9	acres).
10	(9) Notom Bench (approximately 7,300 acres).
11	(10) Oak Creek (approximately 1,500 acres).
12	(11) Ragged Mountain (approximately 29,000
13	acres).
14	SEC. 105. GLEN CANYON WILDERNESS AREAS.
15	(a) FINDINGS.—Congress finds that—
16	(1) the side canyons of Glen Canyon, including
17	the Dirty Devil River and the Red, White and Blue
18	Canyons, contain some of the most remote and out-
19	standing landscapes in southern Utah;
20	(2) the Dirty Devil River, once the fortress
21	hideout of outlaw Butch Cassidy's Wild Bunch, has
22	sculpted a maze of slickrock canyons through an im-
23	posing landscape of monoliths and inaccessible
24	mesas;

1	(3) the Red and Blue Canyons contain colorful
2	Chinle/Moenkopi badlands found nowhere else in the
3	region; and
4	(4) the canyons of Glen Canyon in the State
5	should be protected and managed as wilderness
6	areas.
7	(b) DESIGNATION.—In accordance with the Wilder-
8	ness Act (16 U.S.C. 1131 et seq.), the following areas in
9	the State are designated as wilderness areas and as com-
10	ponents of the National Wilderness Preservation System:
11	(1) Cane Spring Desert (approximately 18,000
12	acres).
13	(2) Dark Canyon (approximately 138,000
14	acres).
15	(3) Dirty Devil (approximately 245,000 acres).
16	(4) Fiddler Butte (approximately 93,000 acres).
17	(5) Flat Tops (approximately 30,000 acres).
18	(6) Little Rockies (approximately 64,000
19	acres).
20	(7) Red Rock Plateau (approximately 210,000
21	acres).
22	(8) The Needle (approximately 11,000 acres).
23	(9) White Canyon (approximately 115,500
24	agrae)

1 SEC. 106. SAN JUAN-ANASAZI WILDERNESS AREAS.

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2	(a) FINDINGS.—Congress finds that—
3	(1) more than 1,000 years ago, the Anasazi In-
4	dian culture flourished in the slickrock canyons and
5	on the piñon-covered mesas of southeastern Utah;
6	(2) evidence of the ancient presence of the
7	Anasazi pervades the Cedar Mesa area of the San
8	Juan-Anasazi area where cliff dwellings, rock art,
9	and ceremonial kivas embellish sandstone overhangs
10	and isolated benchlands;
11	(3) the Cedar Mesa area is in need of protec-
12	tion from the vandalism and theft of its unique cul-
13	tural resources;
14	(4) the Cedar Mesa wilderness areas should be
15	created to protect both the archaeological heritage
16	and the extraordinary wilderness, scenic, and eco-
17	logical values of the United States; and
18	(5) the San Juan-Anasazi area should be pro-
19	tected and managed as a wilderness area to ensure
20	the preservation of the unique and valuable re-
21	sources of that area.
22	(b) DESIGNATION.—In accordance with the Wilder-
23	ness Act (16 U.S.C. 1131 et seq.), the following areas in
24	the State are designated as wilderness areas and as com-
25	ponents of the National Wilderness Preservation System:
26	(1) Allen Canyon (approximately 6,400 acres).

1	(2) Arch Canyon (approximately 30,500 acres).
2	(3) Comb Ridge (approximately 16,000 acres).
3	(4) Cross Canyon (approximately 2,400 acres).
4	(5) East Montezuma (approximately 46,500
5	acres).
6	(6) Fish and Owl Creek Canyon (approximately
7	74,000 acres).
8	(7) Grand Gulch (approximately 161,000
9	acres).
10	(8) Hammond Canyon (approximately 4,700
11	acres).
12	(9) Monument Canyon (approximately 18,000
13	acres).
14	(10) Nokai Dome (approximately 94,000 acres).
15	(11) Road Canyon (approximately 64,000
16	acres).
17	(12) San Juan River (approximately 15,000
18	acres).
19	(13) The Tabernacle (approximately 7,400
20	acres).
21	(14) Tin Cup Mesa (approximately 26,000
22	acres).
23	(15) Valley of the Gods (approximately 20,000
24	acres)

1	SEC. 107. CANTUNLANDS BASIN WILDERNESS AREAS.
2	(a) FINDINGS.—Congress finds that—
3	(1) Canyonlands National Park safeguards only
4	a small portion of the extraordinary red-hued, cliff-
5	walled canyonland region of the Colorado Plateau;
6	(2) areas near Canyonlands National Park con-
7	tain canyons with rushing perennial streams, natural
8	arches, bridges, and towers;
9	(3) the gorges of the Green and Colorado Riv-
10	ers lie on adjacent land managed by the Secretary;
11	(4) popular overlooks in Canyonlands National
12	Park and Dead Horse Point State Park have views
13	directly into adjacent areas, including Lockhart
14	Basin and Indian Creek; and
15	(5) designation of those areas as wilderness
16	would ensure the protection of this erosional master-
17	piece of nature and of the rich pockets of wildlife
18	found within its expanded boundaries.
19	(b) DESIGNATION.—In accordance with the Wilder-
20	ness Act (16 U.S.C. 1131 et seq.), the following areas in
21	the State are designated as wilderness areas and as com-
22	ponents of the National Wilderness Preservation System:
23	(1) Bridger Jack Mesa (approximately 33,500
24	acres).
25	(2) Rutler Wash (approximately 27 000 agres)

1	(3) Dead Horse Cliffs (approximately 5,300
2	acres).
3	(4) Demon's Playground (approximately 3,600
4	acres).
5	(5) Duma Point (approximately 14,500 acres).
6	(6) Gooseneck (approximately 9,400 acres).
7	(7) Hatch Point Canyons/Lockhart Basin (ap-
8	proximately 150,500 acres).
9	(8) Horseshoe Canyon (approximately 83,500
10	acres).
11	(9) Horsethief Point (approximately 15,500
12	acres).
13	(10) Indian Creek (approximately 28,500
14	acres).
15	(11) Labyrinth Canyon (approximately 83,000
16	acres).
17	(12) San Rafael River (approximately 117,000
8	acres).
9	(13) Shay Mountain (approximately 15,500
20	acres).
21	(14) Sweetwater Reef (approximately 69,500
22	acres).
23	SEC. 108. SAN RAFAEL SWELL WILDERNESS AREAS.
1	(a) FINDINGS — Congress finds that—

1	(1) the San Rafael Swell towers above the
2	desert like a castle, ringed by 1,000-foot ramparts of
3	Navajo Sandstone;
4	(2) the highlands of the San Rafael Swell have
5	been fractured by uplift and rendered hollow by ero-
6	sion over countless millennia, leaving a tremendous
7	basin punctuated by mesas, buttes, and canyons and
8	traversed by sediment-laden desert streams;
9	(3) among other places, the San Rafael wilder-
10	ness offers exceptional back country opportunities in
11	the colorful Wild Horse Badlands, the monoliths of
12	North Caineville Mesa, the rock towers of Cliff
13	Wash, and colorful cliffs of Humbug Canyon;
14	(4) the mountains within these areas are among
15	Utah's most valuable habitat for desert bighorn
16	sheep; and
17	(5) the San Rafael Swell area should be pro-
18	tected and managed to ensure its preservation as a
19	wilderness area.
20	(b) DESIGNATION.—In accordance with the Wilder-
21	ness Act (16 U.S.C. 1131 et seq.), the following areas in
22	the State are designated as wilderness areas and as com-
23	ponents of the National Wilderness Preservation System:
24	(1) Cedar Mountain (approximately 15,000
25	acres).

1	(2) Devils Canyon (approximately 14,000
2	acres).
3	(3) Eagle Canyon (approximately 38,500
4	acres).
5	(4) Factory Butte (approximately 22,000
6	acres).
7	(5) Hondu Country (approximately 2,600
8	acres).
9	(6) Jones Bench (approximately 3,400 acres).
10	(7) Limestone Cliffs (approximately 25,500
11	acres).
12	(8) Lost Spring Wash (approximately 36,500
13	acres).
14	(9) Mexican Mountain (approximately 25,000
15	acres).
16	(10) Molen Reef (approximately 32,500 acres).
17	(11) Muddy Creek (approximately 92,000
18	acres).
19	(12) Mussentuchit Badlands (approximately
20	24,500 acres).
21	(13) Price River-Humbug (approximately
22	122,000 acres).
23	(14) Red Desert (approximately 36,500 acres).
24	(15) Rock Canyon (approximately 17,500
25	agras)

1	(16) San Rafael Knob (approximately 15,000
2	acres).
3	(17) San Rafael Reef (approximately 53,000
4	acres).
5	(18) Sids Mountain (approximately 36,500
6	acres).
7	(19) Upper Muddy Creek (approximately
8	18,500 acres).
9	(20) Wild Horse Mesa (approximately 63,000
10	acres).
11	SEC. 109. BOOK CLIFFS AND UINTA BASIN WILDERNESS
12	AREAS.
13	(a) FINDINGS.—Congress finds that—
14	(1) the Book Cliffs and Uinta Basin wilderness
15	areas offer—
16	(A) unique big game hunting opportunities
17	in verdant high-plateau forests;
18	(B) the opportunity for float trips of sev-
19	eral days duration down the Green River in
20	Desolation Canyon; and
21	(C) the opportunity for calm water canoe
22	weekends on the White River;
23	(2) the long rampart of the Book Cliffs bounds
24	the area on the south, while seldom-visited uplands.

1	dissected by the rivers and streams, slope away to
2	the north into the Uinta Basin;
3	(3) bears, Bighorn sheep, cougars, elk, and
4	mule deer flourish in the back country of the Book
5	Cliffs; and
6	(4) the Book Cliffs and Uinta Basin areas
7	should be protected and managed to ensure the pro-
8	tection of the areas as wilderness.
9	(b) DESIGNATION.—In accordance with the Wilder-
10	ness Act (16 U.S.C. 1131 et seq.), the following areas in
11	the State are designated as wilderness areas and as com-
12	ponents of the National Wilderness Preservation System:
13	(1) Bad Land Cliffs (approximately 13,000
14	acres).
15	(2) Bourdette Draw (approximately 15,500
16	acres).
17	(3) Bull Canyon (approximately 3,100 acres).
18	(4) Dead Horse Pass (approximately 8,400
19	acres).
20	(5) Desbrough Canyon (approximately 14,000
21	acres).
22	(6) Desolation Canyon (approximately 32,000
23	acres).
24	(7) Diamond Breaks (approximately 8,600
25	acres).

1	(8) Diamond Canyon (approximately 168,000
2	acres).
3	(9) Diamond Mountain (approximately 31,000
4	acres).
5	(10) Dinosaur Adjacent (approximately 7,900
6	acres).
7	(11) Goslin Mountain (approximately 3,800
8	acres).
9	(12) Hideout Canyon (approximately 12,500
10	acres).
11	(13) Lower Flaming Gorge (approximately
12	21,000 acres).
13	(14) Mexico Point (approximately 1,500 acres).
14	(15) Moonshine Draw (approximately 10,500
15	acres).
16	(16) Mountain Home (approximately 7,800
17	acres).
18	(17) O-Wi-Yu-Kuts (approximately 14,000
19	acres).
20	(18) Red Creek Badlands (approximately 4,600
21	acres).
22	(19) Survey Point (approximately 8,600 acres).
23	(20) Turtle Canyon (approximately 9,700
24	acres).

1	TITLE II—ADMINISTRATIVE
2	PROVISIONS
3	SEC. 201. GENERAL PROVISIONS.
4	(a) NAMES OF WILDERNESS AREAS.—Each wilder-
5	ness area named in title I shall—
6	(1) consist of the quantity of land referenced
7	with respect to that named area, as generally de-
8	picted on the map entitled "Utah BLM Wilderness
9	Proposed by H.R. 1630, 113th Congress"; and
10	(2) be known by the name given to it in title
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12	(b) MAP AND DESCRIPTION.—
13	(1) In general.—As soon as practicable after
14	the date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary
15	shall file a map and a legal description of each wil-
16	derness area designated by this Act with—
17	(A) the Committee on Natural Resources
18	of the House of Representatives; and
19	(B) the Committee on Energy and Natural
20	Resources of the Senate.
21	(2) FORCE OF LAW.—A map and legal descrip-
22	tion filed under paragraph (1) shall have the same
23	force and effect as if included in this Act, except
24	that the Secretary may correct clerical and typo-

graphical errors in the map and legal description.

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1	(3) PUBLIC AVAILABILITY.—Each map and	
2	legal description filed under paragraph (1) shall be	
3	filed and made available for public inspection in the	
4	Office of the Director of the Bureau of Land Man-	
5	agement.	
6	SEC. 202. ADMINISTRATION.	
7	Subject to valid rights in existence on the date of en-	
8	actment of this Act, each wilderness area designated under	
9	this Act shall be administered by the Secretary in accord-	
10	ance with—	
11	(1) the Federal Land Policy and Management	
12	Act of 1976 (43 U.S.C. 1701 et seq.); and	
13	(2) the Wilderness Act (16 U.S.C. 1131 et	
14	seq.).	
14 15	seq.). SEC. 203. STATE SCHOOL TRUST LAND WITHIN WILDER-	
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15 16 17 18 19 20 21	SEC. 203. STATE SCHOOL TRUST LAND WITHIN WILDER- NESS AREAS. (a) IN GENERAL.—Subject to subsection (b), if State- owned land is included in an area designated by this Act as a wilderness area, the Secretary shall offer to exchange land owned by the United States in the State of approxi-	
15 16 17 18 19 20 21	SEC. 203. STATE SCHOOL TRUST LAND WITHIN WILDER- NESS AREAS. (a) IN GENERAL.—Subject to subsection (b), if State- owned land is included in an area designated by this Act as a wilderness area, the Secretary shall offer to exchange land owned by the United States in the State of approxi- mately equal value in accordance with section 603(c) of	

1	(b) MINERAL INTERESTS.—The Secretary shall not	
2	transfer any mineral interests under subsection (a) unless	
3	the State transfers to the Secretary any mineral interests	
4	in land designated by this Act as a wilderness area.	
5	SEC. 204. WATER.	
6	(a) RESERVATION.—	
7	(1) Water for wilderness areas.—	
8	(A) IN GENERAL.—With respect to each	
9	wilderness area designated by this Act, Con-	
10	gress reserves a quantity of water determined	
11	by the Secretary to be sufficient for the wilder-	
12	ness area.	
13	(B) PRIORITY DATE.—The priority date of	
14	a right reserved under subparagraph (A) shall	
15	be the date of enactment of this Act.	
16	(2) PROTECTION OF RIGHTS.—The Secretary	
17	and other officers and employees of the United	
18	States shall take any steps necessary to protect the	
19	rights reserved by paragraph (1)(A), including the	
20	filing of a claim for the quantification of the rights	
21	in any present or future appropriate stream adju-	
22	dication in the courts of the State—	
23	(A) in which the United States is or may	
24	be joined; and	

1	(B) that is conducted in accordance with			
2	section 208 of the Department of Justice Ap-			
3	propriation Act, 1953 (66 Stat. 560, chapter			
4	651).			
5	(b) PRIOR RIGHTS NOT AFFECTED.—Nothing in the			
6	Act relinquishes or reduces any water rights reserved			
7	appropriated by the United States in the State on or be			
8	fore the date of enactment of this Act.			
9	(c) ADMINISTRATION.—			
10	(1) Specification of rights.—The Federal			
11	water rights reserved by this Act are specific to the			
12	wilderness areas designated by this Act.			
13	(2) NO PRECEDENT ESTABLISHED.—Nothing i			
14	this Act related to reserved Federal water rights-			
15	(A) shall establish a precedent with regard			
16	to any future designation of water rights; or			
17	(B) shall affect the interpretation of any			
18	other Act or any designation made under any			
19	other Act.			
20	SEC. 205. ROADS.			
21	(a) Setbacks.—			
22	(1) MEASUREMENT IN GENERAL.—A setback			
23	under this section shall be measured from the center			
24	line of the road			

1	(2) Wilderness on 1 side of roads.—Ex-
2	cept as provided in subsection (b), a setback for a
3	road with wilderness on only 1 side shall be set at-
4	(A) 300 feet from a paved Federal or
5	State highway;
6	(B) 100 feet from any other paved road or
7	high standard dirt or gravel road; and
8	(C) 30 feet from any other road.
9	(3) WILDERNESS ON BOTH SIDES OF ROADS.—
10	Except as provided in subsection (b), a setback for
11	a road with wilderness on both sides (including cher-
12	ry-stems or roads separating 2 wilderness units)
13	shall be set at—
14	(A) 200 feet from a paved Federal or
15	State highway;
16	(B) 40 feet from any other paved road or
17	high standard dirt or gravel road; and
18	(C) 10 feet from any other roads.
19	(b) SETBACK EXCEPTIONS.—
20	(1) Well-defined topographical bar-
21	RIERS.—If, between the road and the boundary of a
22	setback area described in paragraph (2) or (3) of
23	subsection (a), there is a well-defined cliff edge,
24	stream bank, or other topographical barrier, the Sec-

- retary shall use the barrier as the wilderness boundary.
- 3 (2) FENCES.—If, between the road and the 4 boundary of a setback area specified in paragraph 5 (2) or (3) of subsection (a), there is a fence running 6 parallel to a road, the Secretary shall use the fence 7 as the wilderness boundary if, in the opinion of the 8 Secretary, doing so would result in a more manage-9 able boundary.

(3) DEVIATIONS FROM SETBACK AREAS.—

- (A) EXCLUSION OF DISTURBANCES FROM WILDERNESS BOUNDARIES.—In cases where there is an existing livestock development, dispersed camping area, borrow pit, or similar disturbance within 100 feet of a road that forms part of a wilderness boundary, the Secretary may delineate the boundary so as to exclude the disturbance from the wilderness area.
- (B) LIMITATION ON EXCLUSION OF DISTURBANCES.—The Secretary shall make a boundary adjustment under subparagraph (A) only if the Secretary determines that doing so is consistent with wilderness management goals.
- (C) DEVIATIONS RESTRICTED TO MINIMUM NECESSARY.—Any deviation under this para-

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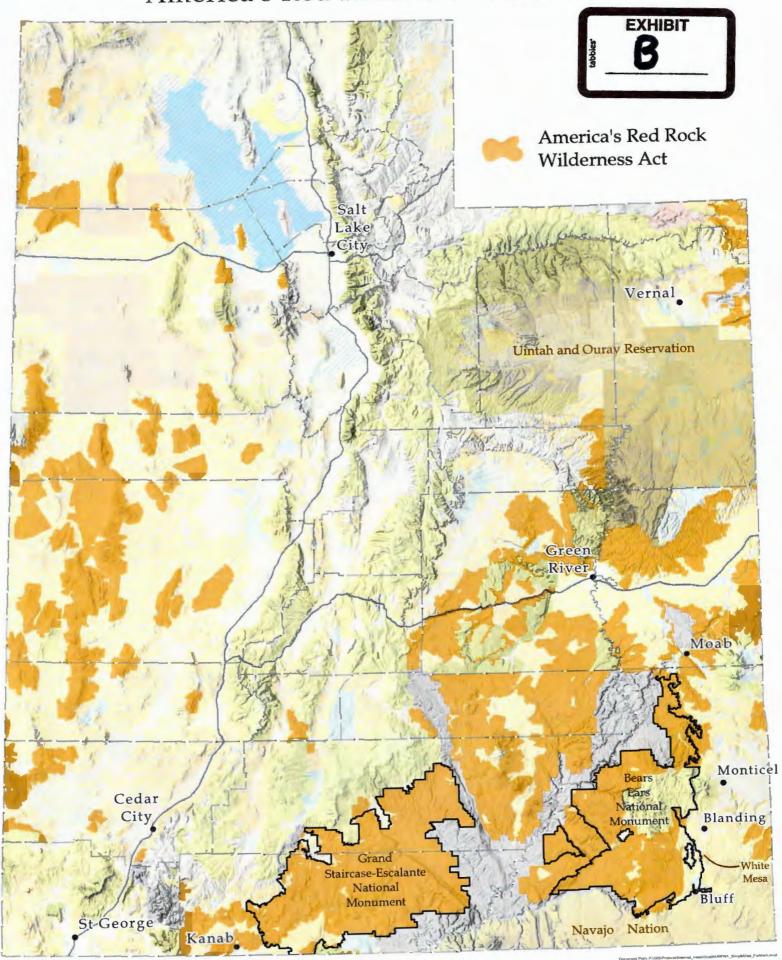
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- 2 paragraph (2) or (3) of subsection (a) shall be
- 3 the minimum necessary to exclude the disturb-
- 4 ance.
- 5 (c) DELINEATION WITHIN SETBACK AREA.—The
- 6 Secretary may delineate a wilderness boundary at a loca-
- 7 tion within a setback under paragraph (2) or (3) of sub-
- 8 section (a) if, as determined by the Secretary, the delinea-
- 9 tion would enhance wilderness management goals.

10 SEC. 206. LIVESTOCK.

- Within the wilderness areas designated under title I,
- 12 the grazing of livestock authorized on the date of enact-
- 13 ment of this Act shall be permitted to continue subject
- 14 to such reasonable regulations and procedures as the Sec-
- 15 retary considers necessary, as long as the regulations and
- 16 procedures are consistent with—
- 17 (1) the Wilderness Act (16 U.S.C. 1131 et
- 18 seq.); and
- 19 (2) section 101(f) of the Arizona Desert Wilder-
- 20 ness Act of 1990 (Public Law 101-628; 104 Stat.
- 21 4469).
- 22 SEC. 207. FISH AND WILDLIFE.
- Nothing in this Act affects the jurisdiction of the
- 24 State with respect to wildlife and fish on the public land
- 25 located in the State.

1	SEC. 208. PROTECTION OF TRIBAL RIGHTS.	
2	Nothing in this Act affects or modifies—	
3	(1) any right of any federally recognized Indi	
4	Tribe; or	
5	(2) any obligation of the United States to	
6	federally recognized Indian Tribe.	
7	SEC. 209. MANAGEMENT OF NEWLY ACQUIRED LAND.	
8	Any land within the boundaries of a wilderness are	
9	designated under this Act that is acquired by the Federa	
10	Government shall—	
11	(1) become part of the wilderness area in which	
12	the land is located; and	
13	(2) be managed in accordance with this Act an	
14	other laws applicable to wilderness areas.	
15	SEC. 210. WITHDRAWAL.	
16	Subject to valid rights existing on the date of enact-	
17	ment of this Act, the Federal land referred to in title	
18	is withdrawn from all forms of—	
19	(1) entry, appropriation, or disposal under pub-	
20	lie law;	
21	(2) location, entry, and patent under mining	
22	law; and	
23	(3) disposition under all laws pertaining to min-	
24	eral and geothermal leasing or mineral materials.	

America's Red Rock Wilderness Act





BECLABITO CHAPTER

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Resolution No. BECL-21-06-50

RESOLUTION OF THE BECLABITO CHAPTER

SUPPORTING AMERICA'S RED ROCK WILDERNESS ACT TO HELP ADDRESS THE CLIMATE CRISIS

- 1. Beclabito Chapter of the Navajo Nation acts on this resolution pursuant to the authority conferred on the chapter through Navajo Nation Code Title 26, Chapter 1, Section 1, B. purpose which states "Through adoption of this Act, the Navajo Nation Council delegates to Chapter governmental authority with respect to local matters consistent with Navajo law, including custom and tradition; and
- Pursuant to Title 26, N.N.C., Section 1 (B) Beclabito Chapter vested the governmental
 authority to review all matters affecting the community and to make appropriate
 correction when necessary and make recommendations to the Navajo Nation and the
 local agencies for appropriate actions; and
- 3. On January 20, 2021, President Biden issued Executive Order 13990 "Protecting Public Health and the Environment and Restoring Science to Tackle the Climate Crises" ("Executive Order on the Climate Crisis") stating that "[o]ur Nation has an abiding commitment to [...] promote and protect our public health and the environment; and conserve our national treasures and monuments, places that secure our national memory" and "[w]here the Federal Government has failed to meet that commitment in the past, it must advance environmental justice . . ."; and
- 4. President Biden furthermore stated in the Executive Order on the Climate Crisis that the policy of the Administration is to "listen to the science; to improve public health and protect our environment; to ensure access to clean air and water; to limit exposure to dangerous chemicals and pesticides; to hold polluters accountable, including those who disproportionately harm communities of color and low-income communities; to reduce greenhouse gas emissions, to bolster resilience to the impacts of climate change; to restore and expand our national treasures and monuments; and to prioritize [...] environmental justice . . ."; and
- 5. President Biden issued a "Memorandum on Tribal Consultation and Strengthening Nation-to-Nation Relationships" ("Memorandum on Tribal Consultation") on January 26, 2021, which stated that "[i]t is a priority of my Administration to make respect for Tribal sovereignty and self-governance, commitment to fulfilling Federal trust and treaty

- 6. responsibilities to Tribal Nations, and regular, meaningful, and robust consultation with Tribal Nations cornerstones of Federal Indian policy" and that the U.S. has made promises to Tribal Nations for at least two centuries and "[h]onoring those commitments is particularly vital now, as our Nation faces crises related to health, the economy, racial justice, and climate change – all of which disproportionately harm Native Americans"; and
- 7. President Biden further stated in the Memorandum on Tribal Consultation that the Federal Government has much to learn from Tribal Nations and his "Administration is committed to honoring Tribal sovereignty and including Tribal voices in policy deliberation that affects Tribal Communities"; and
- 8. President Biden issued Executive Order 14008 "Tackling the Climate Crisis at Home and Abroad" on January 27, 2021, which acknowledges the profound climate crisis, and sets forth his Administration's policy of making climate considerations an essential element in its decision-making process on a broad scale "to avoid setting the world on a dangerous, potentially catastrophic, climate trajectory"; and
- 9. The President's Executive Order further initiated a directive whereby 30 percent of the nation's lands and waters are to be conserved and preserved by 2030 ("30x30") in order to reduce greenhouse gas emissions; and
- 10. The Beclabito Chapter recognizes that conserving the undeveloped lands and resources currently managed by the federal government in Utah will help in President Biden's effort to address climate change and will also help protect and preserve the cultural, prehistoric and historic records and legacy of Dine' and other Native Peoples, and the cultural traditions and practices of Native Peoples that continue today; and
- 11. The Beclabito Chapter recognizes that one of the best tools the U.S. Congress has to help meet the President's "30x30" goals is to legislatively designate all of the qualified undeveloped public lands in Utah as Wilderness pursuant to The Wilderness Act of 1964 (Pub. L. 88-577); and
- 12. The Beclabito Chapter recognizes that management of Wilderness is one of the strongest and most protective designations available to public lands and will keep fossil fuels in the ground so that greenhouse gases and other pollution that exacerbates climate change will not be produced during exploration, development and eventual combustion of those natural resources; and
- 13. The Beclabito Chapter is well aware of the significant negative long-term health impacts to our People, and the extensive environmental impacts to our lands and water that the Dine' have suffered from the exploration and development of oil, gas and uranium near our homes and communities, and that these fossil fuel resources and minerals, once put into production, have also caused broader climate change impacts; and

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23. The Beclabito Chapter is aware that there are various activities, including mineral and energy developments, unmanaged recreation, vandalism and looting, and other actions that could harm the cultural and natural resources on public lands included in America's Redrock Wilderness Act, and that designating these lands as Wilderness will better protect these cultural and natural resources from damaging development and activities.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

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- 6. The Beclabito Chapter requests continued feedback on the progress, or lack thereof, on the American Redrock Wilderness Act.

CERTIFICATION

We, hereby, certify that the foregoing resolution was duly considered at a duly called meeting in Beclabito, Navajo Nation, New Mexico at which a quorum of Chapter members was present and that the same was passed by a vote of <u>8</u> in favor, <u>0</u> opposed and <u>3</u> abstained this <u>14th</u> day of <u>June</u>, 2021.

Melissa Kelly, Fresident

Hazel J. Sterman Vice-President

Susie A. John Secretary/Treasurer

Amber K. Crotty, Council Delegate

Motioned by: Susie A. John Seconded by: Hazel Sherman



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RESOLUTION OF TEEC NOS POS CHAPTER

TNPCH-06-28-2021-FY21-R-71

RESOLUTION OF THE TEEC NOS POS CHAPTER SUPPORTING AMERCIA'S RED ROCK WILDERNESS ACT TO HELP ADDRESS THECLIMATE CRISIS

- 1. Pursuant to 26 N.N.C., Section 3 (A) the Teec Nos Pos Chapter is a duly recognized certified chapter of the Navajo Nation Government, as listed at 11 N.N.C., part 1, section 10; and
- 2. Pursuant to 26 N.N.C., Section 1 (B) Teec Nos Pos Chapter is vested with the authority to review all matters affecting the community and to make appropriate correction when necessary and make recommendation to the Navajo Nation and other local agencies for appropriate actions; and
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CERTIFICATION

Teec Nos Pos Chapter hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was considered by the Teec Nos Pos Chapter (Navajo Nation) at a duly called meeting at which a quorum was present and was Motioned by: Secretary/Treasurer Yellowhorse Seconded by: Vice-President Francisco and that same was passed by a vole of 03 in favor, 00 opposed and 01 abstained, this 28th day of June 2021.

Kenny Victor, President

Verma Francisco, Vice President

Daron Yellowhorse, Secretary/Treasurer

Charlaine Tso, Honorable

MEXICAN WATER CHAPTER

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MWCJUN06-082

RESOLUTION OF MEXICAN WATER CHAPTER

Supporting America's Redrock Wilderness Act to help address the climate crisis.

WHEREAS,

- 1. Pursuant to 26 N.N.C., Section 102 (B); which permits Mexican Water Chapter to exercise local governance authorities contained within 26 N.N.C. Section 103, with the exception of land administration authority pursuant to 26 N.N.C. Section (D) (1); and
- 2. Pursuant to 26 N.N.C., Section 3 (A) the Mexican Water Chapter is a recognized certified Chapter of the Navajo Nation government, as listed at 11 N.N.C. part 1, section 10; and
- 3. Pursuant to CAP-34-98, the Navajo Nation Council adopted the Navajo Nation Local Governance Act (LGA), and
- 4. The Mexican Water Chapter is a recognized governing entity of the Navajo Nation and a Local Governance Act (LGA) Certified Chapter located within the boundaries of the Navajo Nation.
- The Mexican Water Chapter governs for and advocates on behalf of the Chapter and its citizens within the Navajo Nation; and
- 56. Pursuant to Mexican Water Chapter resolution MWCJUL11-105, the Mexican Water Chapter has approved its Five Management System Policies and Procedures Manuals; and
 - Pursuant to the Resources and Development Committee certifying Mexican Water Chapter having met requirement under 26 N.N.C. & 102 (A) on February 07, 2012; and
 - On January 20, 2021, President Biden issued Executive Order 13990 "Protecting Public Health and the Environment and Restoring Science to Tackle the Climate Crises" ("Executive Order on the Climate Crisis") stating that "[o]ur Nation has an abiding commitment to [...] promote and protect our public health and the environment; and conserve our national treasures and monuments, places that secure our national memory" and "[w]here the Federal Government has failed to meet that commitment in the past, it must advance environmental justice . . . "; and
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NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT;

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CERTIFICATION

We, hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was duly considered by the Mexican Water Chapter membership, at duly called meeting by teleconference at which a quorum was present and that the same was enacted by a vote of <u>08</u> in favor, <u>00</u> opposed and <u>01</u> abstained on this <u>6th</u> day of <u>June 2021</u>.

Curtis Yanito, President

Cassandra Beletso, Vice-President

Clifford L, Sagg, Secretary/Treasurer



RESOLUTION OF THE NAATSIS'AAN (NAVAJO MOUNTAIN) CHAPTER OF THE NAVAJO NATION

Potricia Biactivam President Dariene Pino Vice-President Ello Jadoni Secretary/Treasurer Russell Smallcanyon Grazing Representative Herman Danleis

RESOLUTION NO: <u>NM06-2021-131</u>

RESOLUTION OF THE NAATSIS'AAN CHAPTER SUPPORTING AMERCIA'S RED ROCK WILDERNESS ACT TO HELP ADDRESS THE CLIMATE CRISIS

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CERTIFICATION

We hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was duly considered by the Naatsis'aan Chapter at a duly called meeting in Naatsis'aan, Navajo Nation, Arizona/UT at which a quorum was present and the same was passed by a vote of <u>TWO</u> in favor, <u>ZERO</u> opposed and <u>ZERO</u> abstention, this <u>14th</u> day of <u>JUNE</u>, 2021.

1st Motion by: ELLA J. BADONI	
2 nd Motion by: RUSSELL SMALLCANYON	The same of the sa
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Patricia Blackhorn, President	Darlene Pino, Vice President
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RESOLUTION OF THE DENNEHOTSO CHAPTER DCHJULY - 062 - 2021

SUPPORTING AMERICA'S RED ROCK WILDERNESS ACT TO HELP ADDRESS THE CLIMATE CRISIS

- 1. Dennehotso Chapter is a certified Chapter of the Navajo Nation, established and recognized by the Navajo Nation Council as a foundation of the Navajo Nation government, vested with the authority to plan and implement projects in the best interest of the community, 1AW N.N.C., Section 103 (D); and
- 2. On January 20, 2021, the President Biden of the United States of America issued Executive Order 13990 "Protecting Public Health and the Environment and Restoring Science to Tackling the Climate Crises" ("Executive Order on the Climate Crisis") stating that "[o]ur Nation has an abiding commitment to [...] promote and protect our public health and the environment; and conserve our national treasure and monument. Places that secure our national memory" and '[w]here the Federal Government has failed to meet that commitment in the past, it must advance environmental justice..."; and
- 3. President Biden further stated in the Executive Order on the Climate Crisis that the policy of the Administration is to "listen to the science; to improve public health and protect our environment; to ensure success to clean air and water; to limit exposure to dangerous chemicals and pesticides; to hold polluters accountable, including those who disproportionately harm communities of color and low-income communities; to reduce greenhouse gas emissions, to bolster residences to the impact of climate change; to restore and expand our national treasure and monuments; and to prioritize [...] environmental justice..."; and
- 4. President Biden issued a "Memorandum on Tribal Consultation and Strengthening Nation-to-Nation Relationships" ("Memorandum on Tribal Consultation") on January 26, 2021, which stated that "[i]t is a priority of my Administration to make respect for Tribal sovereignty and self-governance, commitment to fulfilling Federal trust and treaty responsibility to Tribal Nations, and regular, meaningful, and robust consultation with Tribal Nations cornerstones of Federal Indian policy" and that the U.S. has made premises to Tribal Nations for at least two centuries and "[h]onoring those commitments is particularly vital now, as our Nation faces crises related to health, he economy, racial justice, and climate change all of which disproportionately harm Native Americans"; and
- 5. President Biden further stated in the Memorandum on Tribal Consultation that the Federal Government has much to learn from Tribal Nations and his "Administration is

- committed to honoring Tribal sovereignty and including Tribal voices in policy deliberation that affects Tribal Communities"; and
- 6. President Biden issued Executive Order 14008 "Tackling the Climate Crisis at Home and Abroad" on January 27, 2021, which acknowledges the profound climate crisis, and sets forth his Administration's policy of making climate consideration an essential element in its decision-making process on a broad scale "to avoid setting the work on a dangerous, potentially catastrophic, climate trajectory"; and
- 7. The President's Executive Order further initiated a directive whereby 30 percent of the Nation's land and waters ae to be conserved and preserved by 2030 ("30x30") in order to reduce greenhouse gas emissions; and
- 8. The Dennehotso Chapter recognizes that conserving the underdeveloped lands and resources currently managed by the federal government in Utah will help in President Biden's effort to address climate change and will also help protect and preserve the cultural, prehistoric record and legacy of Diné and other Native Peoples, and the cultural traditions and practices of Native Peoples that continue today; and
- 9. The Dennehotso Chapter recognizes that one of the best tools the U.S. Congress has to help meet the President's "30x30" goals is to legislatively designate all of the qualified underdeveloped public land in Utah as Wilderness Act of 1064 (Pub. L. 88-577); and
- 10. The Dennehotso Chapter recognizes that management of Wilderness is one of the strongest and most protective designations available to public lands and will keep fossil fuels in the ground so that greenhouse gases and other pollution that exacerbates climate change will not be produced during exploration, development and eventual combustion of those national resources; and
- 11. The Dennehotso Chapter is well aware of the significant negative long-term health impacts to our People, and the extensive environment impacts to our lands and water that the Diné have suffered from the exploration and development of oil, gas and uranium near our homes and communities, and that these fossil fuels resources and mineral, once put into production, have also caused broader climate change impacts;
- 12. The Dennehotso Chapter recognizes that designated qualified undeveloped land as Wilderness will provide quantifiable carbon sequestration benefits, and importantly climate adaptation benefits to plant and wildlife, and will also serve to conserve scared water resources and reduce fugitive dust emissions which exacerbate climate change effects; and
- 13. The Dennehotso Chapter recognizes that lands in America's Red Rock Wilderness Act (map attached), include lands that were within the boundaries of the original Bear Ears National Monument established by Presidential Proclamation No. 9558 on December 28, 2016, are culturally and traditionally significant to many Native people, including the Navajo; and

- 14. The Dennehotso Chapter recognizes that for hundreds of generations Native peoples have lived in the canyons and mountains and on the mesa included in America's Red Rock Wilderness Act an that these areas comprise one of the most extensive and significant cultural landscape in the United States; and
- 15. The Dennehotso Chapter recognizes that the rock art, cliff dwellings and other structures and ceremonial sites located on land in America's Red Rock Wilderness Act, are the critically important records of Native peoples' habitation that tells the story of the subsistence of daily life, traditions, and ceremonies of generations past; and
- 16. The Dennehotso Chapter recognizes that the cultural importance of the land and resources included in America's Red Rock Wilderness Act are scared to many Native people, including the Navajo; and
- 17. The Dennehotso Chapter recognizes that important historic remnants of Navajo hogans pottery, sweat lodges, sheep-herding camps and farming are found throughout the lands included in America's Red Rock Wilderness Act; and
- 18. The Dennehotso Chapter is aware there are a remarkable variety of plant species, including sensitive plants that are critical to Navajo traditional and ceremonial use that grow in areas included in America's Red Rock Wilderness; and
- 19. The Dennehotso Chapter is aware of many species of wildlife that are important to Navajo ceremonies and Navajo way of lie, whose habitats are included in America's Red Rock Wilderness Act; and
- 20. The Dennehotso Chapter acknowledges that protecting the land and resources included in America's Red Rock Wilderness Act from Cedar Mesa to the Book Cliffs, from the San Rafael Swell and the Escalante to the West Desert will help protect and preserve the cultural prehistoric and historic records which are the legacy of Navajos and other Native peoples, and help protect the plants and animals that are part of Navajo heritage and cultural traditions and practices that continue through today; and
- 21. The Dennehotso Chapter is aware that there are various activities, including mineral and energy developments, unmanaged recreation, vandalism and looting, and other actions tat could harm the cultural and natural resources on public lands included in America's Red Rock Wilderness Act, and that designated these lands as Wilderness will better protect these cultural and natural resources from damaging development and activities.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

- 1. The Dennehotso Chapter hereby supports America's Red Rock Wilderness Act to help address the climate crisis; and
- 2. The Dennehotso Chapter hereby supports President Biden's Executive Order 13990 "Protecting Public Health and the Environment and Restoring Science to Tackle the Climate Crises" generally and specifically to protect our public health and the environment; and conserve our national treasures and monuments; and
- 3. The Dennehotso Chapter hereby supports President Biden's Executive Order 14008 "Tackling the Climate Crisis at Home and Abroad" and specifically its directive for conserving 30 percent of the nation's land and water by 2030; and
- The Dennehotso Chapter hereby supports President Biden's January 26, 2021 "Memorandum on Tribal Consultation" to better meet the United States' centuries old commitments to Tribal Nations; and
- The Dennehotso Chapter hereby supports Congressional wilderness designation for lands with America's Red Rock Wilderness Act to help address the climate crisis as set forth in Executive Order 13990 and 14008; and
- The Dennehotso Chapter hereby supports America's Red Rock Wilderness Act to help
 provide time and places for plants and wildlife to adapt to the changing climate, and to
 better protect our scared water resources; and
- The Dennehotso Chapter hereby authorizes, directs, and empowers the Dennehotso Chapter Manager to perform all actions necessary and proper to effectuate the purpose of this resolution.

ATTACHMENTS

1. **Map**

CERTIFICATION

I certify that the foregoing resolution was duly considered by the Dennehotso Chapter, at a duly called meeting, in Dennehotso (Navajo Nation), Arizona at which a quorum was present and that same was passed by a vote of; 10 in favor 00 opposed, 03 abstained, this 16th day of July, 2021.

Larry Tuni, Chapter President

Dennehotso Chapter - Western Navajo Agency

Motion by: Nathaniel Brown Seconded by: Isaac Todachine



OLIATO CHAPTER/ADMINISTRATION PO BOX 360455 MONUMENT VALLEY, UTAH 84536

Email: <u>allato@navoiochapters.ora</u> Phone: 435-727-5850/Fax: 5852 Herman Daniels, Council Delegate
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RESOLUTION OF THE OLIATO CHAPTER

Resolution No.: OLJ06-02-2021-NB2

SUPPORTING AMERICA'S RED ROCK WILDERNESS ACT TO HELP ADDRESS THE CLIMATE CRISIS

- Pursuant to the Navajo Nation Code, Title 26, Chapter, the Oljato Chapter is established and certified as
 a local government entity of the Navajo Nation vested with the authority to review all matters affecting
 the Chapter and submit appropriate recommendations to the Navajo Nation Government of other local
 agencies by resolution; and
- 2. On January 20, 2021, President Biden issued Executive Order 13990 "Protecting Public Health and the Environment and Restoring Science to Tackle the Climate Crises" ("Executive Order on the Climate Crisis") stating that "[o]ur Nation has an abiding commitment to [...] promote and protect our public health and the environment; and conserve our national treasures and monuments, places that secure our national memory" and "[w]here the Federal Government has failed to meet that commitment in the past, it must advance environmental justice . . ."; and
- 3. President Biden furthermore stated in the Executive Order on the Climate Crisis that the policy of the Administration is to "listen to the science; to improve public health and protect our environment; to ensure access to clean air and water; to limit exposure to dangerous chemicals and pesticides; to hold polluters accountable, including those who disproportionately harm communities of color and low-income communities; to reduce greenhouse gas emissions, to bolster resilience to the impacts of climate change; to restore and expand our national treasures and monuments; and to prioritize [...] environmental justice . . . "; and
- 4. President Biden issued a "Memorandum on Tribal Consultation and Strengthening Nation-to-Nation Relationships" ("Memorandum on Tribal Consultation") on January 26, 2021, which stated that "[i]t is a priority of my Administration to make respect for Tribal sovereignty and self-governance, commitment to fulfilling Federal trust and treaty responsibilities to Tribal Nations, and regular, meaningful, and robust consultation with Tribal Nations cornerstones of Federal Indian policy" and that the U.S. has made promises to Tribal Nations for at least two centuries and "[h]onoring those commitments is particularly vital now, as our Nation faces crises related to health, the economy, racial justice, and climate change all of which disproportionately harm Native Americans"; and
- President Biden further stated in the Memorandum on Tribal Consultation that the Federal
 Government has much to learn from Tribal Nations and his "Administration is committed to honoring
 Tribal sovereignty and including Tribal voices in policy deliberation that affects Tribal Communities";
 and

- 6. President Biden issued Executive Order 14008 "Tackling the Climate Crisis at Home and Abroad" on January 27, 2021, which acknowledges the profound climate crisis, and sets forth his Administration's policy of making climate considerations an essential element in its decision-making process on a broad scale "to avoid setting the world on a dangerous, potentially catastrophic, climate trajectory"; and
- 7. The President's Executive Order further initiated a directive whereby 30 percent of the nation's lands and waters are to be conserved and preserved by 2030 ("30x30") in order to reduce greenhouse gas emissions; and
- 8. The Oljato Chapter recognizes that conserving the undeveloped lands and resources currently managed by the federal government in Utah will help in President Biden's effort to address climate change and will also help protect and preserve the cultural, prehistoric and historic records and legacy of Dine' and other Native Peoples, and the cultural traditions and practices of Native Peoples that continue today; and
- 9. The Oljato Chapter recognizes that one of the best tools the U.S. Congress has to help meet the President's "30x30" goals is to legislatively designate all of the qualified undeveloped public lands in Utah as Wilderness pursuant to The Wilderness Act of 1964 (Pub. L. 88-577); and
- 10. The Oljato Chapter recognizes that management of Wilderness is one of the strongest and most protective designations available to public lands and will keep fossil fuels in the ground so that greenhouse gases and other pollution that exacerbates climate change will not be produced during exploration, development and eventual combustion of those natural resources; and
- 11. The Oijato Chapter is well aware of the significant negative long-term health impacts to our People, and the extensive environmental impacts to our lands and water that the Dine' have suffered from the exploration and development of oil, gas and uranium near our homes and communities, and that these fossil fuel resources and minerals, once put into production, have also caused broader climate change impacts; and
- 12. The Oljato Chapter recognizes that designating qualified undeveloped lands as Wilderness will provide quantifiable carbon sequestration benefits, and importantly climate adaptation benefits to plants and wildlife, and will also serve to conserve scarce water resources and reduce fugitive dust emissions which exacerbate climate change effects; and
- 13.The Oljato Chapter recognizes that lands in America's Red Rock Wilderness Act (map attached), including lands that were within the boundaries of the original Bears Ears National Monument established by Presidential Proclamation No. 9558 on December 28, 2016, are culturally and traditionally significant to many Native peoples, including Navajo; and
- 14.The Oljato Chapter recognizes that for hundreds of generations Native peoples have lived in the canyons and mountains and on the mesas included in America's Red Rock Wilderness Act and that these areas comprise one of the most extensive and significant cultural landscapes in the United States; and
- 15. The Oljato Chapter recognizes that the rock art, cliff dwellings and other structures and ceremonial sites located on lands in America's Red Rock Wilderness Act, are the critically important records of Native peoples' habitation that tells the story of the subsistence of daily life, traditions, and ceremonies of generations past; and

- 16. The Oljato Chapter recognizes that the cultural importance of the lands and resources included in America's Red Rock Wilderness Act are sacred to many Native peoples, including Navajo; and
- 17. The Oljato Chapter recognizes that important historic remnants of Navajo hogans, pottery, sweat lodges, sheep-herding camps and farming are found throughout the lands included in America's Red Rock Wilderness Act; and
- 18. The Oljato Chapter is aware there are a remarkable variety of plant species, including sensitive plants that are critical to Navajo traditional and ceremonial uses that grow in areas included in America's Red Rock Wilderness; and
- 19. The Oljato Chapter is aware of many species of wildlife that are important to Navajo ceremonies and Navajo way of life, whose habitats are included in America's Red Rock Wilderness Act; and
- 20. The Oljato Chapter acknowledges that protecting the lands and resources included in America's Red Rock Wilderness Act from Cedar Mesa to the Book Cliffs, from the San Rafael Swell and the Escalante to the West Desert will help protect and preserve the cultural prehistoric and historic records which are the legacy of Navajos and other Native peoples, and help protect the plants and animals that are part of Navajo heritage and cultural traditions and practices that continue through today, and
- 21. The Oljato Chapter is aware that there are various activities, including mineral and energy developments, unmanaged recreation, vandalism and looting, and other actions that could harm the cultural and natural resources on public lands included in America's Red Rock Wilderness Act, and that designating these lands as Wilderness will better protect these cultural and natural resources from damaging development and activities.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

- The Oljato Chapter hereby supports President Biden's Executive Order 13990 "Protecting Public Health
 and the Environment and Restoring Science to Tackle the Climate Crises" generally and specifically to
 protect our public health and the environment; and conserve our national treasures and monuments.
- The Oljato Chapter hereby supports President Biden's Executive Order 14008 "Tackling the Climate Crisis at Home and Abroad" and specifically its directive for conserving 30 percent of the nation's lands and waters by 2030.
- 3. The Oljato Chapter hereby supports President Biden's January 26, 2021 "Memorandum on Tribal Consultation" to better meet the United States' centuries old commitments to Tribal Nations.
- 4. The Oljato Chapter hereby supports Congressional wilderness designation for lands within America's Red Rock Wilderness Act to help address the climate crisis as set forth in Executive Orders 13990 and 14008.
- The Oljato Chapter supports America's Red Rock Wilderness Act to help provide time and places for plants and wildlife to adapt to the changing climate, and to better protect our scarce water resources.

CERTIFICATION

We hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was meeting in Oljato, Navajo Nation, UT at which a quor in favor, opposed and abstention, th	duly considered by the Oljato Chapter at a duly called um was present and the same was passed by a vote of is 21 day of Jww 2021.
1st Motion by: Marietta Bedomic	2nd Motion by: Bunchict Daniels
Willis Begay, Oljato Chapter President	VACANT, Oljato Chapter President
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RED MESA CHAPTER Red Mesa, Navajo Nation, Utah



Resolution# RMC-04-062121

RESOLUTION OF THE RED MESA CHAPTER SUPPORTING AMERICA'S RED ROCK WILDERNESS ACT TO HELP ADDRESS THE CLIMATE CRISIS.

- 1. Pursuant to the Navajo Nation Code, Title 26, the Red Mesa Chapter is established and certified as a local government entity of the Navajo Nation vested with the authority to review all matters affecting the Chapter and submit appropriate recommendations to the Navajo Nation Government of other local agencies by resolution; and
- 2. On January 20, 2021, President Biden issued an Executive Order 1399 "Protecting Public Health and the Environment and Restoring Science to Tackle the Climate Crisis" ("Executive Order on the Climate Crisis") stating the "[o]ur Nation has an abiding commitment to [...] promote and protect our public health and the environment; and conserve our national treasures and monuments, places that secure national memory" and "[w]here the Federal Government has failed to meet that commitment in the past, it must advance environment justice..."; and
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- 7. The President's Executive Order further initiated a directive whereby 30 percent of the nation's lands and waters are to be conserved and preserved by 2030 ("30x30") in order to reduce greenhouse gas emissions; and
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- 11. The Red Mesa Chapter is well aware of the significant negative long-term health impacts to our People, and the extensive environment impacts our lands and water that the Dine' have suffered from the exploration and development of oil, gas, and uranium near our homes and communities, and that these fossil fuel resources and minerals, once put into production, have also caused broader climate change impacts; and
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NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

- The Red Mesa Chapter hereby respectfully supports President Biden's Executive Order 13990 "Protecting Public Health and the Environment and Restoring Science to Tackle the Climate Crises" generally and specifically to protect our public health and the environment and conserve our national treasures and monuments.
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- The Red Mesa Chapter hereby supports America's Red Rock Wilderness Act to help provide time and places for plants and wildlife to adapt to the changing climate, and to better protect our scarce water resources.

CERTIFICATION

We hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was duly considered by the Red Mesa Chapter of the Northern Agency at a duly called meeting in Red Mesa, Navajo Nation, Utah, at which a quorum was present and that same passes, with the three-quorum rule, with the three-quorum rule, by a vote of 13 in favor, 00 opposed, and 02 abstained on this 21st day of June 2021.

Motioned by: Ms. Marilyn S. Holly

Herman Farley, President

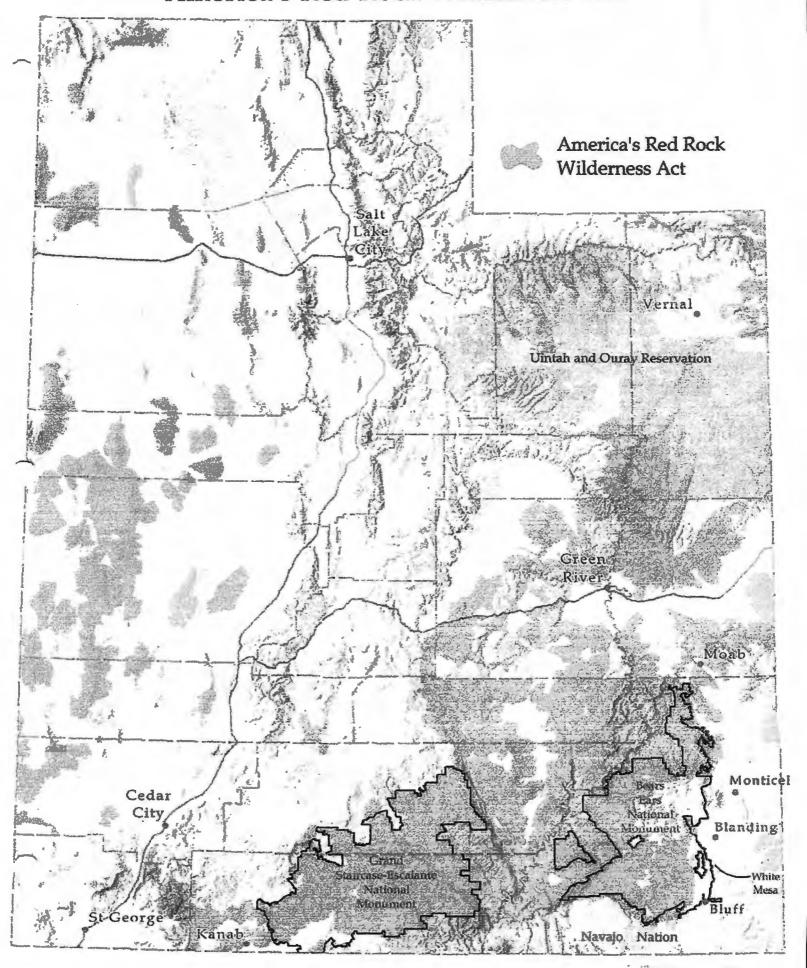
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Seconded by: Mr. Leoanrd F. Begay

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