

Union Calendar No. 773

118TH CONGRESS
2D SESSION

H. R. 200

[Report No. 118-748, Part I]

To amend the Forest and Rangeland Renewable Resources Planning Act of 1974 and the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976 to provide that the Secretary of Agriculture and the Secretary of the Interior are not required to reinitiate consultation on a land management plan or land use plan under certain circumstances, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JANUARY 9, 2023

Mr. ROSENDALE introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Natural Resources, and in addition to the Committee on Agriculture, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned

NOVEMBER 18, 2024

Reported from the Committee on Natural Resources with an amendment

[Strike out all after the enacting clause and insert the part printed in *italic*]

NOVEMBER 18, 2024

Referral to the Committee on Agriculture extended for a period ending not later than December 19, 2024

DECEMBER 19, 2024

Additional sponsors: Mr. GOSAR, Mr. STAUBER, Mr. FULCHER, Mrs. BOEBERT, and Mr. DUARTE

DECEMBER 19, 2024

Committee on Agriculture discharged; committed to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union and ordered to be printed

[For text of introduced bill, see copy of bill as introduced on January 9, 2023]

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 *This Act may be cited as the “Forest Information Re-*
5 *form Act” or as the “FIR Act”.*

6 **SEC. 2. NO ADDITIONAL CONSULTATION REQUIRED.**

7 *(a) FOREST SERVICE PLANS.—Section 6(d)(2) of the*
8 *Forest and Rangeland Renewable Resources Planning Act*
9 *of 1974 (16 U.S.C. 1604(d)(2)) is amended to read as fol-*
10 *lows:*

11 *“(2) NO ADDITIONAL CONSULTATION REQUIRED*
12 *UNDER CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES.—Notwithstanding*
13 *any other provision of law, the Secretary shall not be*
14 *required to reinstitute consultation under section*
15 *7(a)(2) of the Endangered Species Act of 1973 (16*
16 *U.S.C. 1536(a)(2)) or section 402.16 of title 50, Code*
17 *of Federal Regulations (or a successor regulation), on*
18 *a land management plan approved, amended, or re-*
19 *vised under this section when—*

20 *“(A) a new species is listed or critical habi-*
21 *tat is designated under the Endangered Species*
22 *Act of 1973 (16 U.S.C. 1531 et seq.); or*

23 *“(B) new information reveals effects of the*
24 *land management plan that may affect a species*
25 *listed or critical habitat designated under that*

1 *Act in a manner or to an extent not previously*
2 *considered.”.*

3 **(b) BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT PLANS.**—*Section*
4 *202 of the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of*
5 *1976 (43 U.S.C. 1712) is amended by adding at the end*
6 *the following:*

7 **“(g) NO ADDITIONAL CONSULTATION REQUIRED**
8 **UNDER CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES.**—*Notwithstanding any*
9 *other provision of law, the Secretary shall not be required*
10 *to reinitiate consultation under section 7(a)(2) of the En-*
11 *dangered Species Act of 1973 (16 U.S.C. 1536(a)(2)) or sec-*
12 *tion 402.16 of title 50, Code of Federal Regulations (or a*
13 *successor regulation), on a land use plan approved, amend-*
14 *ed, or revised under this section when—*

15 **“(1) a new species is listed or critical habitat is**
16 **designated under the Endangered Species Act of 1973**
17 **(16 U.S.C. 1531 et seq.); or**

18 **“(2) new information reveals effects of the land**
19 **use plan that may affect a species listed or critical**
20 **habitat designated under that Act in a manner or to**
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