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# S. 1865

[Report No. 107-279]

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## IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

DECEMBER 20 (legislative day, DECEMBER 18), 2001

Mrs. BOXER introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources

SEPTEMBER 13, 2002

Reported by Mr. BINGAMAN, with an amendment

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## A BILL

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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,*

1 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

2 This Act may be cited as the “Lower Los Angeles  
3 River and San Gabriel River Watersheds Study Act of  
4 2001”.

5 **SEC. 2. DEFINITIONS.**

6 In this Act:

7 (1) **SECRETARY.**—The term “Secretary” means  
8 the Secretary of the Interior.

9 (2) **WATERSHED.**—The term “watershed”  
10 means—

11 (A) the Lower Los Angeles River and its  
12 tributaries below the confluence of the Arroyo  
13 Seco;

14 (B) the San Gabriel River and its tribu-  
15 taries in Los Angeles County and Orange Coun-  
16 ty, California; and

17 (C) the San Gabriel Mountains located  
18 within the territory of the San Gabriel and  
19 Lower Los Angeles Rivers and Mountains Con-  
20 servancy (as defined in section 32603(e)(1)(C)  
21 of the State of California Public Resource  
22 Code).

23 **SEC. 3. AUTHORIZATION OF STUDY.**

24 (a) **IN GENERAL.**—The Secretary shall carry out a  
25 study on the suitability and feasibility of establishing the  
26 watershed as a unit of the National Park System.

1       (b) **APPLICABLE LAW.**—Section 8(c) of Public Law  
 2 91-383 (16 U.S.C. 1a-5(e)) shall apply to the conduct  
 3 and completion of the study required by subsection (a).

4       (c) **CONSULTATION WITH STATE AND LOCAL GOV-**  
 5 **ERNMENTS.**—In carrying out the study authorized by sub-  
 6 section (a), the Secretary shall consult with—

7           (1) the San Gabriel and Lower Los Angeles  
 8 Rivers and Mountains Conservancy; and

9           (2) any other appropriate State or local govern-  
 10 mental entity.

11 **SEC. 4. REPORT.**

12       Not later than 3 years after the date of enactment  
 13 of this Act, the Secretary shall submit to the Committee  
 14 on Resources of the House of Representatives and the  
 15 Committee on Energy and Natural Resources of the Sen-  
 16 ate a report on the findings, conclusions, and rec-  
 17 ommendations of the study required by section 3(a).

18 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

19       *This Act may be cited as the “San Gabriel River Wa-*  
 20 *tersheds Study Act of 2002”.*

21 **SEC. 2. AUTHORIZATION OF STUDY.**

22       (a) *IN GENERAL.*—*The Secretary of the Interior (here-*  
 23 *inafter in this Act referred to as the “Secretary”, in con-*  
 24 *sultation with the Secretary of Agriculture and the Sec-*

1 *retary of the Army, shall conduct a comprehensive resource*  
2 *study of the following areas:*

3           (1) *The San Gabriel River and its tributaries*  
4           *north of and including the city of Santa Fe Springs,*  
5           *and*

6           (2) *The San Gabriel Mountains within the terri-*  
7           *tory of the San Gabriel and Lower Los Angeles Rivers*  
8           *and Mountains Conservancy (as defined in section*  
9           *32603(c)(1)(C) of the State of California Public Re-*  
10          *source Code).*

11          (b) *STUDY CONDUCT AND COMPLETION.—(1) The Sec-*  
12 *retary shall conduct a comprehensive evaluation of the*  
13 *area’s natural and recreational resources to make rec-*  
14 *ommendations for the future coordinated management, pro-*  
15 *tection and enhancement of these resources and an analysis*  
16 *of the cost of each option. In addition, the study shall con-*  
17 *sider a system of greenways, scenic roadways, river, and*  
18 *trail corridors linking communities within the area.*

19          (2) *The study shall be conducted in accordance with*  
20 *section 8(c) of Public Law 91–383 (16 U.S.C. 1a–5(c)).*

21          (c) *CONSULTATION WITH STATE AND LOCAL GOVERN-*  
22 *MENTS.—In conducting the study authorized by this sec-*  
23 *tion, the Secretary shall consult with the San Gabriel and*  
24 *Lower Los Angeles Rivers and Mountains Conservancy and*

1 *other appropriate State, county, and local government enti-*  
2 *ties.*

3 (d) *CONSIDERATIONS.—In conducting the study au-*  
4 *thorized by this section, the Secretary shall consider re-*  
5 *gional flood control and drainage needs and publicly owned*  
6 *infrastructure, including, but not limited to, wastewater*  
7 *treatment facilities.*

8 **SEC. 3. REPORT.**

9 *Not later than 3 years after funds are made available*  
10 *for this Act, the Secretary shall submit to the Committee*  
11 *on Energy and Natural Resources of the Senate and the*  
12 *Committee on Resources of the House of Representatives a*  
13 *report on the findings, conclusions, and recommendations*  
14 *of the study.*

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