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# S. 177

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in Coloma, California.

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## IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

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

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## A BILL

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Gold Hill Ranch in Coloma, California.

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 “Gold Hill-Wakamatsu  
5 Preservation Act”.

6 **SEC. 2. DEFINITIONS.**

7 In this Act:

8 (1) GOLD HILL RANCH.—The term “Gold Hill  
9 Ranch” means the approximately 272 acres of land  
10 located in Coloma, California, as generally depicted

1 on the map entitled “Gold Hill–Wakamatsu Site”  
2 and dated May 7, 2009.

3 (2) SECRETARY.—The term “Secretary” means  
4 the Secretary of the Interior.

5 **SEC. 3. GOLD HILL RANCH.**

6 (a) ACQUISITION.—The Secretary may acquire the  
7 Gold Hill Ranch, including any interest in the Gold Hill  
8 Ranch, by purchase from a willing seller with donated or  
9 appropriated funds, donation, or exchange.

10 (b) MANAGEMENT.—The Secretary shall manage any  
11 land or interest in land acquired under subsection (a) in  
12 accordance with—

13 (1) this Act;

14 (2) the Federal Land Policy and Management  
15 Act of 1976 (43 U.S.C. 1701 et seq.); and

16 (3) any other applicable laws.

17 (c) COOPERATIVE AGREEMENT.—

18 (1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary may enter  
19 into a cooperative agreement with public or non-  
20 profit entities to interpret the history of the  
21 Wakamatsu Tea and Silk Farm Colony and related  
22 pioneer history associated with Japanese immigra-  
23 tion to the area, including the history of traditional  
24 Japanese crops and farming practices and the con-

1       tribution of those practices to the agricultural econ-  
2       omy of the State of California.

3           (2) INCLUSIONS.—The cooperative agreement  
4       referred to in paragraph (1) may include provisions  
5       for the design and development of a visitor center to  
6       further public education and interpretation of the  
7       Gold Hill Ranch.

8       **SEC. 4. AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.**

9       There are authorized to be appropriated such sums  
10      as are necessary to carry out this Act.

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