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# H. R. 924

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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

FEBRUARY 17, 1993

Mr. BALLENGER introduced the following bill; which was referred jointly to  
the Committees on Natural Resources and Agriculture

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## A BILL

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as wilderness, and for other purposes.

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 “Western North Caro-  
5       lina Wilderness Protection Act of 1993”.

6       **SEC. 2. DESIGNATION AND ADMINISTRATION.**

7       (a) DESIGNATION.—In furtherance of the purposes of  
8       the Wilderness Act (16 U.S.C. 1131–1136), the following  
9       lands in the State of North Carolina are hereby designated

1 as wilderness and therefore as components of the National  
2 Wilderness Preservation System:

3 (1) Certain lands in the Pisgah National For-  
4 est, which comprise approximately 5,710 acres as  
5 generally depicted on a map entitled “Lost Cove  
6 Wilderness—Proposed” dated July 1990, which  
7 shall be known as the Lost Cove Wilderness.

8 (2) Certain lands in the Pisgah National For-  
9 est, which comprise approximately 7,140 acres as  
10 generally depicted on a map entitled “Harper Creek  
11 Wilderness—Proposed” dated July 1990, which  
12 shall be known as the Harper Creek Wilderness.

13 (b) ADMINISTRATION.—Subject to valid existing  
14 rights, the wilderness areas designated under this section  
15 shall be administered by the Secretary of Agriculture  
16 (hereafter in this Act referred to as the “Secretary”) in  
17 accordance with the provisions of the Wilderness Act gov-  
18 erning areas designated by that Act as wilderness, except  
19 that any reference in such provisions to the effective date  
20 of the Wilderness Act shall be deemed to be a reference  
21 to the date of enactment of this Act.

22 (c) MAP AND DESCRIPTION.—As soon as practicable  
23 after enactment of this Act, the Secretary shall file a map  
24 and a legal description of each wilderness area designated  
25 under this section with the Committee on Natural Re-

1 sources and the Committee on Agriculture of the House  
2 of Representatives and with the Committee on Energy and  
3 Natural Resources of the Senate. Each such map and de-  
4 scription shall have the same force and effect as if in-  
5 cluded in this Act, except that correction of clerical and  
6 typographical errors in such legal description and map  
7 may be made. Each such map and legal description shall  
8 be on file and available for public inspection in the Office  
9 of the Chief of the Forest Service, United States Depart-  
10 ment of Agriculture.

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