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# S. 1810

To expand the boundary of the Snoqualmie National Forest, and for other purposes.

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## IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

MAY 23, 1996

Mr. GORTON (for himself and Mrs. MURRAY) 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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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 “Snoqualmie National  
5 Forest Boundary Adjustment Act of 1996”.

6 **SEC. 2. FINDINGS.**

7 The Congress finds the following:

8 (1) Certain private lands in the State of Wash-  
9 ington presently owned by Weyerhaeuser Company  
10 and others are located adjacent to the Snoqualmie

1 National Forest and are logical extensions of the  
2 forest.

3 (2) A boundary adjustment will facilitate a land  
4 exchange which involves approximately 7,200 acres  
5 of National Forest land and 33,000 acres of private  
6 land owned by Weyerhaeuser Company, of which  
7 6,278 acres are outside the present Snoqualmie Na-  
8 tional Forest boundary.

9 (3) Weyerhaeuser Company and the Forest  
10 Service are prepared to exchange these lands, which  
11 will benefit both the United States and  
12 Weyerhaeuser by consolidating their respective land-  
13 ownership holdings and providing reduced costs for  
14 each party to implement their land management ob-  
15 jectives, providing an opportunity to implement more  
16 effective ecosystem based management, providing in-  
17 creased recreation opportunities for the American  
18 public, providing enhanced fish and wildlife habitat  
19 protection, and supporting the “Mountains-to-the-  
20 Sound” goal of a continuous greenway between the  
21 Cascade Mountains and Puget Sound.

22 **SEC. 3. BOUNDARY MODIFICATION.**

23 (a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Agriculture is  
24 hereby directed to modify the boundary of the Snoqualmie  
25 National Forest to include and encompass 10,589.47

1 acres, more or less, as generally depicted on a map entitled  
2 “Snoqualmie National Forest Proposed 1996 Boundary  
3 Modification” dated \_\_\_\_\_ 1996. Such map,  
4 together with a legal description of all lands included in  
5 the boundary adjustment, shall be on file and available  
6 for public inspection in the Office of the Chief of the For-  
7 est Service in Washington, District of Columbia.

8 (b) RULE FOR LAND AND WATER CONSERVATION  
9 FUND.—For the purposes of section 7 of the Land and  
10 Water Conservation Fund Act of 1965 (16 U.S.C. 460l–  
11 9), the boundary of the Snoqualmie National Forest, as  
12 modified pursuant to subsection (a), shall be considered  
13 to be the boundary of that National Forest as of January  
14 1, 1965.

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