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To provide for a land exchange involving certain National Forest System lands within the Routt National Forest in the State of Colorado.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MARCH 11, 1997

Mr. McINNIS introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Resources

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 “Miles Land Exchange
5 Act of 1997”.

6 **SEC. 2. LAND EXCHANGE, ROUTT NATIONAL FOREST, COLO-**
7 **RADO.**

8 (a) **AUTHORIZATION OF EXCHANGE.**—If the non-
9 Federal lands described in subsection (b) are conveyed to
10 the United States in accordance with this section, the Sec-

1 Secretary of Agriculture shall convey to the party conveying
2 the non-Federal lands all right, title, and interest of the
3 United States in and to a parcel of land consisting of ap-
4 proximately 84 acres within the Routt National Forest in
5 the State of Colorado, as generally depicted on the map
6 entitled “Miles Land Exchange”, Routt National Forest,
7 dated May 1996.

8 (b) RECEIPT OF NON-FEDERAL LANDS.—The parcel
9 of non-Federal lands referred to in subsection (a) consists
10 of approximately 84 acres, known as the Miles parcel, lo-
11 cated adjacent to the Routt National Forest, as generally
12 depicted on the map entitled “Miles Land Exchange”,
13 Routt National Forest, dated May 1996. Title to the non-
14 Federal lands must be acceptable to the Secretary, and
15 the conveyance shall be subject to such valid existing
16 rights of record as may be acceptable to the Secretary.
17 The parcel shall conform with the title approval standards
18 applicable to Federal land acquisitions.

19 (c) APPROXIMATELY EQUAL IN VALUE.—The values
20 of both the Federal and non-Federal lands to be ex-
21 changed under this section are deemed to be approxi-
22 mately equal in value, and no additional valuation deter-
23 minations are required.

24 (d) APPLICABILITY OF OTHER LAWS.—Except as
25 otherwise provided in this section, the Secretary shall

1 process the land exchange authorized by this section in
2 the manner provided in subpart A of part 254 of title 36,
3 Code of Federal Regulations.

4 (e) MAPS.—The maps referred to in subsections (a)
5 and (b) shall be on file and available for inspection in the
6 office of the Forest Supervisor, Routt National Forest,
7 and in the office of the Chief of the Forest Service.

8 (f) BOUNDARY ADJUSTMENT.—Upon approval and
9 acceptance of title by the Secretary, the non-Federal lands
10 conveyed to the United States under this section shall be-
11 come part of the Routt National Forest, and the bound-
12 aries of the Routt National Forest shall be adjusted to
13 reflect the land exchange. Upon receipt of the non-Federal
14 lands, the Secretary shall manage the lands in accordance
15 with the laws and regulations pertaining to the National
16 Forest System. For purposes of section 7 of the Land and
17 Water Conservation Fund Act of 1965 (16 U.S.C. 4601–
18 9), the boundaries of the Routt National Forest, as ad-
19 justed by this section, shall be considered to be the bound-
20 aries of the National Forest as of January 1, 1965.

21 (g) ADDITIONAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS.—The
22 Secretary may require such additional terms and condi-
23 tions in connection with the conveyances under this section

1 as the Secretary considers appropriate to protect the inter-
2 ests of the United States.

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