

110TH CONGRESS
2^D SESSION

H. R. 2632

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

JUNE 10, 2008

Received; read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural
Resources

AN ACT

To establish the Sabinoso Wilderness Area in San Miguel
County, New Mexico, 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,*

1 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

2 This Act may be cited as the “Sabinoso Wilderness
3 Act of 2008”.

4 **SEC. 2. DEFINITIONS.**

5 In this Act:

6 (1) STATE.—The term “State” means the State
7 of New Mexico.

8 (2) SECRETARY.—The term “Secretary” means
9 the Secretary of the Interior.

10 **SEC. 3. DESIGNATION OF THE SABINOSO WILDERNESS.**

11 (a) IN GENERAL.—In furtherance of the purposes of
12 the Wilderness Act (16 U.S.C. 1131 et seq.), there is here-
13 by designated as wilderness, and, therefore, as a compo-
14 nent of the National Wilderness Preservation System, the
15 approximately 15,995 acres of land under the jurisdiction
16 of the Taos Field Office Bureau of Land Management,
17 New Mexico, as generally depicted on the map titled
18 “Sabinoso Wilderness” and dated May 7, 2008, and which
19 shall be known as the “Sabinoso Wilderness”.

20 (b) MAP AND LEGAL DESCRIPTION.—The map and
21 a legal description of the wilderness area designated by
22 this Act shall—

23 (1) be filed by the Secretary with the Com-
24 mittee on Natural Resources of the House of Rep-
25 resentatives and the Committee on Energy and Nat-

1 ural Resources of the Senate as soon as practicable
2 after the date of the enactment of this Act;

3 (2) have the same force and effect as if in-
4 cluded in this Act, except that the Secretary may
5 correct clerical and typographical errors in the legal
6 description and map; and

7 (3) be on file and available for public inspection
8 in the appropriate offices of the Bureau of Land
9 Management.

10 (c) MANAGEMENT OF WILDERNESS.—Subject to
11 valid existing rights, the wilderness areas designated by
12 this Act shall be administered in accordance with the Wil-
13 derness Act (16 U.S.C. 1131 et seq.) and this Act, except
14 that with respect to the wilderness areas designated by
15 this Act, any reference to the effective date of the Wilder-
16 ness Act shall be deemed to be a reference to the date
17 of enactment of this Act and any reference in the Wilder-
18 ness Act to the Secretary of Agriculture shall be consid-
19 ered to be a reference to the Secretary of the Interior.

20 (d) INCORPORATION OF ACQUIRED LAND.—Any land
21 or interest in land located inside the boundaries of the wil-
22 derness area designated by this Act that is acquired by
23 the United States after the date of enactment of this Act
24 shall become part of the wilderness area designated by this

1 Act and shall be managed in accordance with this Act and
2 other applicable law.

3 (e) GRAZING.—Grazing of livestock in the wilderness
4 area designated by this Act, where established before the
5 date of enactment of this Act, shall be administered in
6 accordance with the provisions of section 4(d)(4) of the
7 Wilderness Act (16 U.S.C. 1133(d)(4)) and the guidelines
8 set forth in Appendix A of the Report of the Committee
9 on Interior and Insular Affairs to accompany H.R. 2570
10 of the 101st Congress (H. Rept. 101–405).

11 (f) FISH AND WILDLIFE.—As provided in section
12 4(d)(7) of the Wilderness Act (16 U.S.C. 1133(d)(7)),
13 nothing in this section shall be construed as affecting the
14 jurisdiction or responsibilities of the State with respect to
15 fish and wildlife in the State, including the regulation of
16 hunting, fishing, and trapping, in the wilderness area des-
17 igned by this Act.

18 (g) WITHDRAWAL.—Subject to valid existing rights,
19 the wilderness area designated by this Act, is withdrawn
20 from—

21 (1) all forms of entry, appropriation, and dis-
22 posal under the public land laws;

23 (2) location, entry, and patent under the mining
24 laws; and

1 (3) operation of the mineral leasing, mineral
2 materials, and geothermal leasing laws.

3 (h) ACCESS.—

4 (1) Consistent with section 5(a) of the Wilder-
5 ness Act (16 U.S.C.1131 et seq.), the Secretary
6 shall continue to allow private landowners adequate
7 access to inholdings in the Sabinoso Wilderness.

8 (2) For access purposes, private lands within T.
9 16 N., R. 23 E. Sections 17, 20 and the north half
10 of Section 21, N.M.M. shall be managed as if an
11 inholding in the Sabinoso Wilderness.

Passed the House of Representatives June 9, 2008.

Attest: LORRAINE C. MILLER,
Clerk.