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114TH CONGRESS
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H. R. 482

[Report No. 114-442]

To redesignate Ocmulgee National Monument in the State of Georgia and revise its boundary, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JANUARY 22, 2015

Mr. BISHOP of Georgia (for himself and Mr. AUSTIN SCOTT of Georgia) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Natural Resources

MARCH 2, 2016

Additional sponsors: Mr. COLE, Mr. CARTER of Georgia, and Mr. JODY B. HICE of Georgia

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[For text of introduced bill, see copy of bill as introduced on January 22, 2015]

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 “Ocmulgee Mounds Na-*
5 *tional Historical Park Boundary Revision Act of 2016”.*

6 **SEC. 2. DEFINITIONS.**

7 *In this Act:*

8 (1) *MAP.*—*The term “map” means the map enti-*
9 *tled “Ocmulgee National Monument Proposed Bound-*
10 *ary Adjustment, numbered 363/125996”, and dated*
11 *January 2016.*

12 (2) *HISTORICAL PARK.*—*The term “Historical*
13 *Park” means the Ocmulgee Mounds National Histor-*
14 *ical Park in the State of Georgia, as redesignated in*
15 *section 3.*

16 (3) *SECRETARY.*—*The term “Secretary” means*
17 *the Secretary of the Interior.*

18 **SEC. 3. OCMULGEE MOUNDS NATIONAL HISTORICAL PARK.**

19 (a) *REDESIGNATION.*—*Ocmulgee National Monument,*
20 *established pursuant to the Act of June 14, 1934 (48 Stat.*
21 *958), shall be known and designated as “Ocmulgee Mounds*
22 *National Historical Park”.*

23 (b) *REFERENCES.*—*Any reference in a law, map, regu-*
24 *lation, document, paper, or other record of the United*
25 *States to “Ocmulgee National Monument”, other than in*

1 *this Act, shall be deemed to be a reference to “Ocmulgee*
2 *Mounds National Historical Park”.*

3 **SEC. 4. BOUNDARY ADJUSTMENT.**

4 (a) *IN GENERAL.*—*The boundary of the Historical*
5 *Park is revised to include approximately 2,100 acres, as*
6 *generally depicted on the map.*

7 (b) *AVAILABILITY OF MAP.*—*The map shall be on file*
8 *and available for public inspection in the appropriate of-*
9 *fices of the National Park Service, the Department of the*
10 *Interior.*

11 **SEC. 5. LAND ACQUISITION; NO BUFFER ZONES.**

12 (a) *LAND ACQUISITION.*—*The Secretary is authorized*
13 *to acquire land and interests in land within the boundaries*
14 *of the Historical Park by donation or exchange only (and*
15 *in the case of an exchange, no payment may be made by*
16 *the Secretary to any landowner). The Secretary may not*
17 *acquire by condemnation any land or interest in land with-*
18 *in the boundaries of the Historical Park. No private prop-*
19 *erty or non-Federal public property shall be included with-*
20 *in the boundaries of the Historical Park without the written*
21 *consent of the owner of such property.*

22 (b) *NO BUFFER ZONES.*—*Nothing in this Act, the es-*
23 *tablishment of the Historical Park, or the management of*
24 *the Historical Park shall be construed to create buffer zones*
25 *outside of the Historical Park. That an activity or use can*

1 *be seen or heard from within the Historical Park shall not*
2 *preclude the conduct of that activity or use outside the His-*
3 *torical Park.*

4 **SEC. 6. ADMINISTRATION.**

5 *The Secretary shall administer any land acquired*
6 *under section 5 as part of the Historical Park in accordance*
7 *with applicable laws and regulations.*

8 **SEC. 7. OCMULGEE RIVER CORRIDOR SPECIAL RESOURCE**
9 **STUDY.**

10 *(a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary shall conduct a spe-*
11 *cial resource study of the Ocmulgee River corridor between*
12 *the cities of Macon, Georgia, and Hawkinsville, Georgia,*
13 *to determine—*

- 14 *(1) the national significance of the study area;*
15 *(2) the suitability and feasibility of adding lands*
16 *in the study area to the National Park System; and*
17 *(3) the methods and means for the protection*
18 *and interpretation of the study area by the National*
19 *Park Service, other Federal, State, local government*
20 *entities, affiliated federally recognized Indian tribes,*
21 *or private or nonprofit organizations.*

22 *(b) CRITERIA.—The Secretary shall conduct the study*
23 *authorized by this Act in accordance with section 100507*
24 *of title 54, United States Code.*

1 (c) *RESULTS OF STUDY.*—Not later than 3 years after
2 the date on which funds are made available to carry out
3 this section, the Secretary shall submit to the Committee
4 on Natural Resources of the House of Representatives and
5 the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources of the Sen-
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7 (1) *the results of the study; and*

8 (2) *any findings, conclusions, and recommenda-*
9 *tions of the Secretary.*

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