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# H. R. 2497

[Report No. 117-]

To establish the Amache National Historic Site in the State of Colorado  
as a unit of the National Park System, and for other purposes.

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### IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

APRIL 14, 2021

Mr. NEGUSE (for himself and Mr. BUCK) introduced the following bill; which  
was referred to the Committee on Natural Resources

JULY --, 2021

Reported with amendments, committed to the Committee of the Whole House  
on the State of the Union, and ordered to be printed

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[For text of introduced bill, see copy of bill as introduced on April 14, 2021]

# **A BILL**

To establish the Amache National Historic Site in the State of Colorado as a unit of the National Park System, 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 “Amache National His-*  
5 *toric Site Act”.*

6 **SEC. 2. DEFINITIONS.**

7 *In this Act:*

8 (1) *MAP.*—*The term “Map” means the map enti-*  
9 *tled “Amache National Historical Site Proposed*  
10 *Boundary”, numbered 100/175348 and dated July*  
11 *2021.*

12 (2) *NATIONAL HISTORIC SITE.*—*The term “Na-*  
13 *tional Historic Site” means the Amache National*  
14 *Historic Site established by section 3(a).*

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

17 **SEC. 3. AMACHE NATIONAL HISTORIC SITE.**

18 (a) *ESTABLISHMENT.*—*Subject to subsection (c), there*  
19 *is established the Amache National Historic Site in the*  
20 *State of Colorado as a unit of the National Park System.*

21 (b) *PURPOSE.*—*The purpose of the National Historic*  
22 *Site is to preserve, protect, and interpret for the benefit of*  
23 *present and future generations resources associated with—*

24 (1) *the incarceration of civilians of Japanese an-*  
25 *cestry during World War II at Amache, also known*

1       *as the Granada Relocation Center, and the military*  
2       *service of center incarcerated;*

3           (2) *public reaction in the State of Colorado to*  
4       *the incarceration of Japanese Americans, including*  
5       *the position of Governor Ralph Carr and the local*  
6       *community; and*

7           (3) *the transition of the incarcerated and their de-*  
8       *scendants following the closure of the center and reset-*  
9       *tlement in the State of Colorado and other States.*

10       (c) *DETERMINATION BY THE SECRETARY.*—*The Na-*  
11       *tional Historic Site shall not be established until the date*  
12       *on which the Secretary determines that a sufficient quan-*  
13       *tity of land or interests in land has been acquired to con-*  
14       *stitute a manageable park unit.*

15       (d) *NOTICE.*—*Not later than 30 days after the Sec-*  
16       *retary makes a determination under subsection (c), the Sec-*  
17       *retary shall publish in the Federal Register notice of the*  
18       *establishment of the National Historic Site.*

19       (e) *BOUNDARY; MAP.*—

20           (1) *BOUNDARY.*—*The boundary of the National*  
21       *Historic Site shall be as generally depicted on the*  
22       *Map.*

23           (2) *AVAILABILITY OF MAP.*—*The Map shall be on*  
24       *file and available for public inspection in the appro-*  
25       *prate offices of the National Park Service.*

1           (f) *LAND ACQUISITION AUTHORITY.*—*The Secretary*  
2 *may acquire any land or interests in land located within*  
3 *the boundary of the Camp Amache National Historic Land-*  
4 *mark, as generally depicted on the Map, by—*

5                   (1) *donation;*

6                   (2) *purchase from a willing seller with donated*  
7 *or appropriated Funds; or*

8                   (3) *exchange.*

9           (g) *ADDITION TO BOUNDARY.*—*Any lands or interests*  
10 *in land acquired under paragraph (1) shall be included*  
11 *within the boundary of the National Historic Site.*

12           (h) *ADMINISTRATION.*—

13                   (1) *IN GENERAL.*—*The Secretary shall admin-*  
14 *ister the National Historic Site in accordance with—*

15                           (A) *this Act; and*

16                           (B) *the laws generally applicable to units of*  
17 *the National Park System.*

18                   (2) *MANAGEMENT PLAN.*—

19                           (A) *DEADLINE FOR COMPLETION.*—*Not*  
20 *later than 3 years after the date on which funds*  
21 *are first made available to the Secretary for this*  
22 *purpose, the Secretary shall prepare a general*  
23 *management plan for the National Historic Site*  
24 *in accordance with section 100502 of title 54,*  
25 *United States Code.*

1                   (B) *SUBMISSION TO CONGRESS.*—*On com-*  
2                   *pletion of the general management plan under*  
3                   *subparagraph (A), the Secretary shall submit to*  
4                   *the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources*  
5                   *of the Senate and the Committee on Natural Re-*  
6                   *sources of the House of Representatives the gen-*  
7                   *eral management plan prepared under that sub-*  
8                   *paragraph.*

9                   (i) *ADMINISTRATIVE FACILITIES.*—*For the purposes of*  
10                  *ensuring the preservation, protection, and proper manage-*  
11                  *ment of the site and associated resources, the Secretary may*  
12                  *establish facilities for administration, visitor services, and*  
13                  *curation of personal property, outside the boundary of, and*  
14                  *in the vicinity of, the National Historic Site.*

15                  (j) *COOPERATIVE AGREEMENTS.*—*The Secretary may*  
16                  *enter into agreements with—*

17                         (1) *the public or private entities for the purpose*  
18                         *of establishing and operating facilities outside of the*  
19                         *boundary of the National Historic Site for adminis-*  
20                         *tration, visitor services and curation of personal*  
21                         *property; and*

22                         (2) *other public or private entities for the pur-*  
23                         *poses of carrying out this Act.*

24                  (k) *EFFECT ON WATER RIGHTS.*—*Except as provided*  
25                  *for in subsection (l), nothing in this Act shall affect—*

1           (1) *the use, allocation, ownership, or control, in*  
2           *existence on the date of the enactment of any water,*  
3           *water right, or any other valid existing right;*

4           (2) *any vested absolute or decreed conditional*  
5           *water right in existence on the date of the enactment;*

6           (3) *any interstate water compact in existence on*  
7           *the date of the enactment; or*

8           (4) *State jurisdiction over any water law.*

9           (1) *OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE OF WATER INFRA-*  
10          *STRUCTURE AND APPURTENANCES.—*

11           (1) *The town of Granada, Colorado, shall main-*  
12           *tain responsibility for the operation and maintenance*  
13           *of all water infrastructure, systems and appur-*  
14           *tenances located within the boundary of the National*  
15           *Historic Site in existence on the date of enactment of*  
16           *this Act, including but not limited to wells, pumps,*  
17           *tanks, water lines, valves, and water treatment facili-*  
18           *ties.*

19           (2) *The Secretary shall provide the town of Gra-*  
20           *nada, Colorado, with access to those areas of the Na-*  
21           *tional Historic Site determined as necessary for the*  
22           *operation and maintenance of water infrastructure*  
23           *and appurtenances.*

24           (3) *The Secretary may permit the city of Gra-*  
25           *nada, Colorado, to construct or install new water in-*

1        *frastructure, systems and appurtenances consistent*  
2        *with applicable laws, limited only to those areas de-*  
3        *termined in subsection (i)(2), and in a manner that*  
4        *ensures the preservation, protection, and proper man-*  
5        *agement of the National Historic Site.*

6                *(4) At such time that all water infrastructure,*  
7        *systems and appurtenances located within the bound-*  
8        *ary of the National Historic Site are no longer uti-*  
9        *lized by the city of Granada, Colorado, associated im-*  
10       *provements and associated water rights may be ac-*  
11       *quired through donation to and made part of the Na-*  
12       *tional Historic Site in a condition satisfactory to the*  
13       *Secretary.*

Amend the title so as to read: “A bill to establish the Amache National Historic Site in the State of Colorado as a Unit of the National Park System, and for other purposes.”.