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To take certain Federal land in the State of California into trust for the benefit of the Pit River Tribe.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MARCH 27, 2025

Mr. LAMALFA introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Natural 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 “Pit River Land Trans-
5 fer Act of 2025”.

6 **SEC. 2. FINDINGS.**

7 Congress finds that—

8 (1) the Four Corners land is located in the an-
9 cestral territory of the Pit River Tribe; and

1 (2) the Pit River Tribe has historically used,
2 and has an ongoing relationship with, the Four Cor-
3 ners land.

4 **SEC. 3. LAND TO BE TAKEN INTO TRUST.**

5 (a) TRANSFER OF FOUR CORNERS FEDERAL
6 LAND.—

7 (1) IN GENERAL.—Subject to valid existing
8 rights, the Four Corners Federal land is hereby
9 taken into trust by the Secretary for the benefit of
10 the Tribe.

11 (2) SURVEY.—Not later than 180 days after
12 the date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary of
13 Agriculture shall provide to the Secretary a complete
14 survey of the Four Corners Federal land.

15 (b) TRANSFER OF FOUR CORNERS FEE LAND.—

16 (1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days
17 after the date of the enactment of this Act, at the
18 request of the Tribe, the Secretary shall accept title
19 to the Four Corners Fee land.

20 (2) LAND TAKEN INTO TRUST.—Not later than
21 180 days after the completion of the transfer of the
22 title to the Four Corners Fee land to the Secretary
23 pursuant to paragraph (1), the Secretary shall take
24 the Four Corners Fee land into trust for the benefit
25 of the Tribe.

1 (c) ADMINISTRATION.—Upon being taken into trust
 2 under this section, the lands taken into trust by the Sec-
 3 retary for the benefit of the Tribe shall be—

4 (1) considered part of the Pit River Tribe Res-
 5 ervation; and

6 (2) administered by the Secretary in accordance
 7 with the laws and regulations generally applicable to
 8 property held in trust by the United States for an
 9 Indian Tribe.

10 (d) GAMING PROHIBITED.—Land taken into trust
 11 under this section shall not be used for any class II gam-
 12 ing or class III gaming under the Indian Gaming Regu-
 13 latory Act (25 U.S.C. 2701 et seq.) (as those terms are
 14 defined in section 4 of that Act (25 U.S.C. 2703)).

15 (e) DEFINITIONS.—In this Act:

16 (1) FOUR CORNERS FEDERAL LAND.—

17 (A) IN GENERAL.—The term “Four Cor-
 18 ners Federal land” means the approximately
 19 583.79 acres of land managed by the Forest
 20 Service generally depicted within the “Proposed
 21 Land Conveyance” boundary on the Map, in-
 22 cluding improvements and appurtenances there-
 23 on.

24 (B) EXCLUSION.—The term “Four Cor-
 25 ners Federal land” does not include the ap-

1 proximately 20.03 acres of roads, highways,
2 and public rights-of-way subject to existing
3 easements generally depicted within the “Pro-
4 posed Land Conveyance” boundary on the Map.

5 (2) FOUR CORNERS FEE LAND.—The term
6 “Four Corners Fee land” means the approximately
7 40.18 acres of land generally depicted as “Tribal-
8 Owned Property” on the Map.

9 (3) MAP.—The term “Map” means the map ti-
10 tled “Proposed Land Conveyance to the Pit River
11 Tribe” prepared by the Forest Service and dated
12 November 6, 2024.

13 (4) SECRETARY.—The term “Secretary” means
14 the Secretary of the Interior.

15 (5) TRIBE.—The term “Tribe” means the Pit
16 River Tribe, California (includes XL Ranch, Big
17 Bend, Likely, Lookout, Montgomery Creek, and
18 Roaring Creek Rancherias).

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