

TITLE I—DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT
MANAGEMENT OF LANDS AND RESOURCES
(INCLUDING RESCISSION OF FUNDS)

Management of Lands and Resources (MLR).—The bill provides \$1,237,015,000 for the Management of Land and Resources appropriation. Specific allocations at the activity and subactivity level are contained in the table at the back of this explanatory statement. The increase provided in the Cultural Resources Management subactivity is for the National Cultural Resources Information Management System as directed in House Report 116-100. Within funds made available in the Wildlife Habitat Management subactivity, \$64,000,000 shall be for sage grouse conservation. Of the increase provided in the Recreational Resources Management subactivity, \$1,000,000 shall be for the historic and scenic trails program. The bill also provides for two-year availability of funds within the MLR appropriation, with certain exceptions. The Bureau is directed to brief the Committees on Appropriations within 30 days of enactment of this Act, and quarterly thereafter, on the budgetary transition.

Wild Horse and Burro Management.—For the wild horse and burro program, the bill contains a total appropriation of \$101,555,000, of which \$21,000,000 shall not be available for obligation until 60 days after the Bureau

submits a comprehensive and detailed plan for an aggressive, non-lethal population control strategy. For purposes of the plan to be submitted, the directives expressed by the House and Senate in House Report 116-100 and Senate Report 116-123, respectively, shall prevail, particularly with respect to strict compliance with the Bureau's Comprehensive Animal Welfare Program. In addition, the plan shall also include no less than five consecutive years of detailed expenditure estimates beginning with fiscal year 2020. The plan shall also include a thorough discussion of the Bureau's proposed management of the logistical details of the strategy, including but not limited to: (1) the number of individuals currently assigned and actively working in the program and the number of additional personnel needed to implement the strategy; (2) the resources (including personnel and equipment) currently available for animal gathers and the increases needed in those resources to substantially increase the number of animals gathered for removal to achieve appropriate management levels; (3) the number of all short-term and long-term holding facilities currently under contract (including their current holding capacity and when those contracts expire), and an estimate of the number of additional facilities that will be needed and the Bureau's strategy to obtain those facilities, and; (4) the amount of fertility control resources currently available, the additional resources anticipated to

be needed and the plan for obtaining those resources, and the plan for administering those resources, all focused on implementing a strategy aimed at minimizing future removals and maximizing treatment and retreatment of on-range animals to maintain appropriate management levels. Finally, the Bureau shall brief the Committees upon submission of the report, and quarterly thereafter.

Bureau of Land Management Directives.—The Bureau is reminded of the importance of the directives included in House Report 116-100 and Senate Report 116-123.

Soda Ash.—The Bureau shall follow the directive contained in Senate Report 116-123.

CONSTRUCTION

(INCLUDING RESCISSION OF FUNDS)

The bill rescinds unobligated balances from prior year appropriations that are no longer needed.

LAND ACQUISITION

(INCLUDING RESCISSION OF FUNDS)

The bill provides \$32,300,000 in new budget authority for the Land Acquisition account and includes a rescission of \$2,367,000 to be derived from prior year unobligated balances. The amounts provided by this bill for projects are shown in the table below and are listed in the priority order and in the amounts recommended by the Bureau for fiscal year 2020.

State	Project	This Bill
AZ	Aravaipa Canyon Access	\$2,600,000
CA	Bodie Hills	900,000
CA	Los Gatos Creek Ranch	1,200,000
CO	McInnis Canyons National Conservation Area	600,000
ID	Coeur d'Alene Lake Special Recreation Management Area	1,300,000
MT	Blackfoot River Watershed	3,500,000
OR	Sandy River	500
OR	Table Rocks Special Recreational Management Area	2,700,000
Subtotal, Line Item Projects		13,300,000
		Budget Request
	Acquisition Management	0 2,500,000
	Recreational Access	0 13,000,000
	Emergencies, Hardships, and Inholdings	0 3,500,000
	Rescission of Funds	-10,000,000 -2,367,000
	Total, BLM Land Acquisition	-10,000,000 29,933,000

OREGON AND CALIFORNIA GRANT LANDS

The bill provides \$112,094,000 for the Oregon and California Grant Lands appropriation. Specific allocations at the activity level are contained in the table at the back of this explanatory statement.

RANGE IMPROVEMENTS

The bill provides \$10,000,000 to be derived from public lands receipts and Bankhead-Jones Farm Tenant Act lands grazing receipts.

SERVICE CHARGES, DEPOSITS, AND FORFEITURES

The bill provides an indefinite appropriation estimated to be \$26,000,000 for Service Charges, Deposits, and Forfeitures.

MISCELLANEOUS TRUST FUNDS

The bill provides an indefinite appropriation estimated to be \$26,000,000 for Miscellaneous Trust Funds.

UNITED STATES FISH AND WILDLIFE SERVICE RESOURCE MANAGEMENT

The bill provides \$1,364,289,000 for Resource Management. All programs and activities, including youth programs, are funded at the amounts enacted in fiscal year 2019 unless otherwise specified below or in the table at the end of this division. The Service is ex-

pected to comply with the instructions and requirements at the beginning of this division and in House Report 116-100 and Senate Report 116-123 unless otherwise specified below.

Ecological Services.—The agreement provides \$266,012,000 for programs and activities within Ecological Services.

Planning and Consultation.—The agreement provides \$109,016,000 for project permitting and consultation activities which includes \$3,500,000 to avoid permitting delays and to achieve compliance with other statutes and \$84,531,000 for general program activities.

Conservation and Restoration.—The agreement provides \$33,696,000 for conservation and restoration activities. Candidate Conservation is funded at \$13,330,000.

Recovery.—The agreement provides \$102,982,000 for activities in support of the recovery and delisting of threatened and endangered species which includes: \$3,250,000 for the State of the Birds; \$1,200,000 for the Prescott Grant program; \$1,000,000 for the Wolf Livestock Demonstration program; and \$84,159,000 for general program activities. As outlined in House Report 116-100, the Service is required by law to use the best available science to make decisions to delist species,

and if such decisions are warranted, the Service is directed to carefully analyze state management plans to ensure adequate protections will be in place and establish a monitoring system that guarantees rigorous enforcement of those plans.

The agreement also includes \$100,000 for Florida Grasshopper Sparrow and \$7,000,000 for Recovery Challenge matching grants to implement high priority recovery actions as prescribed in recovery plans. Longstanding partnerships should be funded at not less than \$3,000,000 and partner contributions should be not less than their current amounts. The remaining funds should be dedicated to new partnerships as outlined in House Report 116-100 and should require a 50:50 match, which may include in-kind services.

Lesser Prairie-Chicken (LPC).—The Committees continue the direction regarding Lesser Prairie-Chicken contained in the explanatory statement accompanying the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2019 (Public Law 116-6) and further, the Committees direct the Service to collaborate with local and regional stakeholders on improving voluntary solutions to conserve the species with the goal of avoiding the necessity of listing the

LPC under the Endangered Species Act (ESA) (Public Law 91-135) and to provide a briefing to the Committees on its efforts to develop guidance to advance this collaboration.

Habitat Conservation.—The agreement provides \$70,326,000 for habitat conservation programs, of which \$56,951,000 is for the Partners for Fish and Wildlife program and \$13,375,000 is for the Coastal Program. The recommendation provides \$1,750,000 for the Chesapeake Bay Nutria Eradication Project and \$5,132,000 for Klamath River habitat restoration. The agreement maintains funding at the enacted level for the Service's work on the Upper Colorado River Endangered Fish Recovery Program and the San Juan River Basin Recovery Implementation Program.

National Wildlife Refuge System.—The agreement provides \$502,404,000 for the National Wildlife Refuge System.

Wildlife and Habitat Management.—The agreement provides: \$12,425,000 for invasive species; \$1,750,000 for the Chesapeake Bay Nutria Eradication Project; \$21,924,000 for Inventory and Monitoring; and \$198,178,000 for general program activities.

The agreement supports the directives in House Report 116-100 and Senate Report 116-123 on trapping occurring on refuges.

Visitor Services.—The agreement includes \$74,227,000 which includes \$4,500,000 for the Urban Wildlife Refuge Partnership program and \$67,727,000 for general program activities.

Refuge Maintenance.—The agreement includes \$146,042,000 which includes \$61,763,000 for maintenance support as requested.

The Service is commended for advancing conservation by establishing the Green River National Wildlife Refuge as the 568th national wildlife refuge. The Service is expected to provide robust support to the Refuge to further the goals for which it was established.

Conservation and Enforcement.—The agreement provides \$148,336,000 for other conservation and enforcement programs as described below.

Migratory Bird Management.—The agreement provides \$47,457,000 which includes \$28,837,000 for Conservation and Monitoring and \$14,640,000 for the North American Waterfowl Management Plan/Joint Ventures program. The recommendation includes \$600,000 to manage bird-livestock conflicts and no funding for Aviation Management as it is provided in General Operations.

Law Enforcement.—The agreement provides \$82,053,000, including \$9,000,000 for wildlife trafficking enforcement activities which may also be used as needed to supplement inspections. \$3,500,000 is provided to continue the Service's work with the Indian Arts and Crafts Board to combat international trafficking of counterfeit arts and crafts and to conduct criminal investigations of alleged violations of the Indian Arts and Crafts Act.

International Affairs.—The agreement provides \$18,826,000 including \$10,810,000 for International Conservation of which \$550,000 is to support the Arctic Council; \$3,000,000 is to combat wildlife trafficking; \$1,000,000 is for the Theodore Roosevelt Genius Prize; and \$8,016,000 for International Wildlife Trade, of which \$793,000 is to combat wildlife trafficking.

In consultation with the United States Agency for International Development (USAID), the Department of the Interior shall develop policies and procedures for the execution and oversight of programs from funds made available by transfer from USAID to ensure that agreements for the obligation of funds between implementing partners and the Department include provisions requiring that: (1) information detailing the proposed project and potential im-

pacts is shared with local communities and the free, prior, and informed consent of affected indigenous communities is obtained in accordance with international standards; (2) the potential impacts of the proposed project on existing land or resource claims by affected local communities or indigenous peoples are considered and addressed in any management plan; (3) any eco-guards, park rangers, and other law enforcement personnel authorized to protect biodiversity will be properly trained and monitored; and (4) effective grievance and redress mechanisms for victims of human rights violations and other misconduct exist. The Director shall consult with the Committees not later than 45 days after enactment of this Act on the development of such policies and procedures.

The Endangered Species Act requires that importing sport-hunted trophies from endangered species is only permissible if the exporting country has demonstrated that hunting improves the survival of that species and proceeds of the hunt will be reinvested in conservation. The current U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service policy to evaluate applications for importing trophies for elephants and lions on a case-by-case basis may not adequately determine whether a country has proper safeguards in place to protect species vulnerable to poaching. Population counts continue to decline causing concern that the current policy is detrimental. The Fish and Wildlife Service is directed to reevaluate its current policy and analyze how targeted investments and technical assistance to the exporting countries' conservation programs would impact the survival of elephants and lions, improve local communities, and sustain species populations. The Service is to brief the Committees 60 days after enactment of this Act on their findings.

Fish and Aquatic Conservation.—The agreement provides \$205,477,000 for fish and aquatic conservation programs.

National Fish Hatchery System Operations.—The agreement provides \$64,272,000 which includes: \$1,200,000 for the Aquatic Animal Drug Approval Partnership; \$3,750,000 for Klamath Basin restoration activities; and \$4,700,000 for mitigation of the Pacific Salmon Treaty. The agreement maintains funding for mass marking at the fiscal year 2019 enacted level and directs the Service to work in cooperation with State fish and game agencies on marking of anadromous fish. None of the funds may be used to terminate operations or to close any facility of the National Fish Hatchery System. None of the production programs listed in the March 2013 National Fish Hatchery System Strategic Hatchery and Workforce Planning Report may be reduced or terminated without advance, informal consultation with affected States and Tribes.

The Service is expected to continue funding mitigation hatchery programs via reimbursable agreements with Federal partners. Future agreements should include reimbursement for production, facilities, and administrative costs. The Service is expected to ensure that its costs are fully reimbursed before proposing to reduce or redirect base funding.

Maintenance and Equipment.—The agreement provides \$25,846,000 for maintenance and equipment expenses related to the National Fish Hatchery System. The Service is encouraged to provide a portion of this funding to hatcheries where partner agencies fund mitigation work.

Habitat Assessment and Restoration.—The agreement provides \$43,037,000, which includes \$9,700,000 to implement the Delaware River Basin Conservation Act; \$18,598,000 for the National Fish Passage Program; and \$2,750,000 to implement Klamath Basin res-

toration activities. The Service is directed to work with the affected Tribes on fish restoration activities.

Population Assessment and Cooperative Management.—The agreement provides \$31,840,000 which includes \$1,680,000 for Great Lakes Fish and Wildlife Restoration and \$818,000 for the Lake Champlain sea lamprey program. The Service is reminded of the direction contained in Senate Report 116-123 regarding contributions to the Coded Wire Tag Program.

Aquatic Invasive Species.—The agreement includes \$40,482,000 for the aquatic invasive species programs, of which: \$2,834,000 is to help States implement plans required by the National Invasive Species Act (NISA); \$1,566,000 is for NISA coordination; \$4,088,000 is to implement subsection 5(d)(2) of the Lake Tahoe Restoration Act; \$25,000,000 is for Asian carp as outlined in House Report 116-100 and Senate Report 116-123 including not less than \$2,500,000 for contract fishing; \$3,000,000 is to prevent the spread of quagga and zebra mussels; and \$1,011,000 is for Great Lakes Sea Lamprey administration costs.

Cooperative Landscape Conservation.—The agreement includes \$12,500,000 for Landscape Conservation Cooperatives (LCCs). Within 60 days of enactment of this Act, the Service shall provide a report to the Committees outlining how this program deviates from that which was presented to Congress in the annual budget justifications. This report must include how the Service will engage previous stakeholders and how conservation efforts are aligned with partners, especially what will be done to ensure there is collaborative conservation efforts on a landscape scale in fiscal year 2020. In addition, the report should include how the Service will engage in areas where LCCs have been diminished or dismantled. This report must also include the detailed information outlined in House Report 116-100 and Senate Report 116-123. Until this report is received by the Committees, \$1,000,000 of the funding provided for General Operations, Central Office Operations, is not available for obligation.

Science Support.—The agreement provides \$17,267,000 for the Science Support program, which includes \$3,500,000 for White Nose Syndrome.

General Operations.—The agreement provides \$141,967,000 for general operations and includes \$20,758,000 for central office operations; \$49,166,000 for management and administration; and \$35,770,000 for Servicewide bill paying. The National Fish and Wildlife Foundation is funded at \$7,022,000 and the National Conservation Training Center is funded at \$26,014,000. The recommendation includes \$3,237,000 for Aviation Management, as requested.

The agreement acknowledges the importance of the development of an electronic permitting system that will make the permitting process more efficient and can be used to combat the illegal trafficking of products and wildlife. The Department is directed to brief the Committees on the final cost estimate and timeline and is encouraged to begin the development of a new system in March 2020.

The agreement continues support for the Everglades at not less than the fiscal year 2019 enacted level.

CONSTRUCTION

The bill provides \$29,704,000 for Construction which includes \$9,093,000 for line item construction; \$14,011,000 for the backlog of deferred maintenance principally at national fish hatcheries and national wildlife refuges; \$1,232,000 for bridge and dam safety; and \$5,368,000 for nationwide engineering services. For line item construction, the Service is expected to follow the project priority list

in the table below. When a construction project is completed or terminated and appropriated funds remain, the Service may

use those balances to respond to unforeseen reconstruction, replacement, or repair of facilities or equipment damaged or destroyed

by storms, floods, fires and similar unanticipated natural events.

State	Refuge, Hatchery, or Other Unit	Budget Request	This Bill
CA	Don Edwards San Francisco Bay NWR	\$5,875,000	\$5,875,000
MI	Jordan River NFH	500,000	500,000
VA	Harrison Lake NFH	558,000	558,000
N/A	Branch of Dam Safety (Newly acquired dams)	250,000	250,000
N/A	Branch of Dam Safety (Seismic safety)	200,000	200,000
N/A	Information Resources & Technology Management	250,000	250,000
GA	Chattahoochee Forest NFH	816,000	816,000
WY	Saratoga National NFH	644,000	644,000

LAND ACQUISITION

(INCLUDING RESCISSION OF FUNDS)

The bill provides \$70,715,000 in new budget authority for the Land Acquisition account and includes a rescission of \$3,628,000 to be

derived from prior year unobligated balances. The amounts provided by this bill for projects are shown in the table below and are listed in the priority order and in the amounts recommended by the Service for fis-

cal year 2020. The Green River National Wildlife Refuge was established on November 22, 2019, and the Department is encouraged to purchase parcels as they become available as outlined in Senate Report 116-123.

State	Project	This Bill
IA/MN	Northern Tallgrass Prairie NWR	\$1,000,000
TX	Lower Rio Grande Valley NWR	2,000,000
SD/ND	Dakota Grassland Conservation Area	4,250,000
FL	Everglades Headwaters NWR and Conservation Area	3,700,000
WA	Steigerwald Lake NWR	1,900,000
IA	Neal Smith NWR	500,000
LA	Bayou Sauvage NWR	2,000,000
TX	Laguna Atascosa NWR	2,000,000
FL	St. Marks NWR	1,500,000
WA	Willapa NWR	1,500,000
IA/IL	Upper Mississippi National Wildlife and Fish Refuge	1,000,000
MT	Montana National Wildlife Refuges and Conservation Areas	2,000,000
CA	North Central Valley Wildlife Management Area	500,000
KS	Flint Hills Legacy Conservation Area	3,000,000
NC	Alligator River NWR	1,000,000
CT/MA/ME/NH/NY/RI	Great Thicket NWR	500,000
CA	Humboldt Bay NWR	1,100,000
AR	Cache River NWR	1,800,000
Subtotal, Line Item Projects		31,250,000

	Budget Request	This Bill
Acquisition Management	9,526,000	13,000,000
Recreational Access	0	8,000,000
Emergencies, Hardships, and Inholdings	338,000	6,500,000
Exchanges	10	1,500,000
Land Protection Planning	0	465,000
Highlands Conservation Act Grants	0	10,000,000
Rescission of Funds	-5,324,000	-3,628,000
Total, FWS Land Acquisition	4,540,000	67,087,000

COOPERATIVE ENDANGERED SPECIES CONSERVATION FUND

(INCLUDING RESCISSION OF FUNDS)

The bill provides \$54,502,000 to carry out section 6 of the Endangered Species Act of 1973, of which \$23,702,000 is to be derived from the Cooperative Endangered Species Conservation Fund and \$30,800,000 is to be derived from the Land and Water Conservation Fund. The detailed allocation of funding by activity is included in the table at the end of this explanatory statement. The agreement includes \$13,000,000 for traditional conservation grants and \$8,000,000 for habitat conservation plan (HCP) assistance grants. The agreement includes a rescission of \$18,771,000 to be derived from unobligated balances of appropriations not including HCP land acquisition. The Service shall follow the direction contained in Senate Report 116-123 regarding unobligated balances, particularly with respect to briefing the Committees.

NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE FUND

The bill provides \$13,228,000 for payments to counties from the National Wildlife Refuge Fund.

NORTH AMERICAN WETLANDS CONSERVATION FUND

The bill provides \$46,000,000 for the North American Wetlands Conservation Fund.

NEOTROPICAL MIGRATORY BIRD CONSERVATION FUND

The bill provides \$4,910,000 for the Neotropical Migratory Bird Conservation Fund.

MULTINATIONAL SPECIES CONSERVATION FUND

The bill provides \$15,000,000 for the Multinational Species Conservation Fund. The detailed allocation of funding by activity is included in the table at the end of this explanatory statement.

STATE AND TRIBAL WILDLIFE GRANTS

The bill provides \$67,571,000 for State and Tribal Wildlife Grants which includes \$55,000,000 for State Wildlife Formula grants, \$7,362,000 for State Wildlife Competitive grants, and \$5,209,000 for Tribal Wildlife grants.

NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

OPERATION OF THE NATIONAL PARK SYSTEM

The bill provides \$2,576,992,000 for Operation of the National Park System (ONPS),

\$74,281,000 above the enacted level and \$151,475,000 above the budget request.

For this and all other Service accounts funded in this bill, the Service is expected to comply with the instructions and requirements at the beginning of this division and in House Report 116-100 and Senate Report 116-123, unless otherwise specified below. Additional details, instructions, and requirements follow below and in the table at the end of this division.

The budget realignment proposed in the budget request for the ONPS account is insufficient to meet the oversight needs of the House and Senate Committees on Appropriations. The Service is directed to provide alternatives to restructure the ONPS appropriation as expeditiously as possible and not later than 90 days following enactment of this Act. Additionally, until such time as a new structure is determined, the Service shall brief the Committees on the prior fiscal year's spending realignment within 60 days of the end of the fiscal year.

Funding levels have been adjusted to align with the Service's fiscal year 2019 operating plan. The Committees expect the Service to execute its spending at the levels provided.

The Service may not redistribute the recommendations in a fiscal year 2020 operating plan.

All programs, projects, and activities are funded at no less than the fiscal year 2019 operating plan levels and the bill does not include program changes proposed in the budget request unless otherwise specified.

Additional funding guidance is provided below.

Resource Stewardship.—The bill includes: \$3,576,000 for the Partnership Wild & Scenic Rivers program and other similarly managed rivers; \$1,000,000 for Active Forest Management; \$3,000,000 for Quagga and Zebra Mussel programs; \$800,000 for Cave and Karst Ecosystem Research; \$300,000 for Recreational Access—Support Alaska Subsistence; and \$14,200,000 for the National Trails System. Additionally, the bill provides \$1,000,000 for the national networks, which include the National Underground Railroad Network to Freedom, the African American Civil Rights Network, the Reconstruction Era National Historic Network, and the World War II Heritage Cities Network. The agreement also provides \$425,000 for New Responsibilities at New and Existing Park Areas and a general increase of \$1,400,000. The agreement maintains \$1,500,000 to continue landscape restoration projects at newly authorized national parks as provided by Public Law 114-113; the Service is expected to merge these landscape restoration funds with park unit operating budgets beginning in fiscal year 2020.

Visitor Services.—Funding is provided at the requested level of \$737,000 for New Responsibilities at New and Existing Park Areas; \$200,000 is for Recreational Access—Recreational Fishing; the National Capital Area Performing Arts Program is funded at the enacted level of \$2,227,000; and, the agreement includes a general increase of \$4,632,000.

Park Protection.—The requested transfer is accepted and \$821,000 is provided for New Responsibilities at New and Existing Park Areas. The bill provides a general increase of \$2,200,000 and \$200,000 for the Recreation Access—Veteran Fire Corps.

Facility Operations and Maintenance.—The requested program increases are provided for DC Water and Sewer, and Rising Visitation. Cyclic Maintenance Projects are funded at \$153,575,000 and \$1,113,000 is provided for New Responsibilities at New and Existing Park Areas. A general increase of \$17,380,000 is provided.

Park Support.—New Responsibilities at New and Existing Park Areas is funded at \$1,104,000 and an increase of \$14,400,000 for Park and Program Operations is provided.

Commissions.—The recommendation includes \$3,300,000 for the 400 Years of African-American History Commission to be spent in accordance with the 400 Years of African-American History Commission Act and \$3,300,000 for the Semiquincentennial Commission to be spent in accordance with the Semiquincentennial Commission Act of 2016.

Global Positioning System Modernization.—The recommendation provides \$2,000,000 for the replacement of Global Positioning Sys-

tem (GPS) data collection devices used by the Service for facilities planning, lands administration, visitor safety, and infrastructure protection.

National Park Foundation.—The recommendation accepts the proposal to move funding for the National Park Foundation from the Centennial Challenge account into the Operation of the National Park System account, a total of \$5,000,000.

Additional Guidance.—The following additional direction and guidance is provided with respect to funding provided within this account:

Hetch Hetchy Reservoir.—The Hetch Hetchy Reservoir, which is located in Yosemite National Park, is the drinking water source for 2.7 million Americans. Since the reservoir's creation in 1923, boating has been prohibited to prevent the introduction of contaminants, and to date the quality of the water from Hetch Hetchy Reservoir is such that it does not require filtration. The Service is directed to maintain this longstanding prohibition.

NATIONAL RECREATION AND PRESERVATION

The bill provides \$71,166,000 for national recreation and preservation, \$7,028,000 above the enacted level and \$38,829,000 above the budget request. The amounts recommended by the Committees compared with the budget estimates by activity are shown in the table at the end of this explanatory statement.

Natural Programs.—The recommendation rejects the reductions proposed in the budget request, but provides the requested increases for Hydropower Recreation Assistance and Federal Lands to Parks. The proposed transfer is accepted.

Rivers, Trails, and Conservation Assistance.—The recommendation includes a program increase of \$500,000 to provide technical assistance and to work with partners, including local leaders and nonprofit organizations, to enhance on-water education and recreation programming for youth.

Chesapeake Bay Gateways and Watertrails.—The agreement includes \$3,000,000 for Chesapeake Bay Gateways and Watertrails.

Cultural Programs.—The bill provides \$1,907,000 for Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Grants; \$3,155,000 for Japanese Confinement Site Grants; and, \$1,500,000 for grants to nonprofit organizations or institutions for the purpose of supporting programs for Native Hawaiian or Alaska Native culture and arts development. The agreement also includes \$2,000,000 for the competitive grant program, as authorized by the 9/11 Memorial Act (Public Law 115-413).

Grants Administration.—The proposed transfer of the funding in the grants administration budget activity into Cultural Programs is accepted and provides \$2,815,000.

International Park Affairs.—The agreement includes \$1,903,000 for International Park Affairs and rejects the proposed transfer.

Heritage Partnership Programs.—The recommendation provides \$21,944,000 for the Heritage Partnership Program, including \$20,962,000 for Commissions and Grants, which is sufficient to provide stable funding

sources for both the newly authorized and existing NHAs. The directive contained in the explanatory statement that accompanied Public Law 116-6 with regards to funding distribution is continued.

HISTORIC PRESERVATION FUND

The bill provides \$118,660,000 for historic preservation, \$16,000,000 above the enacted level and \$85,988,000 above the budget request.

Competitive Grants.—Competitive grants to document, interpret, and preserve historical sites associated with the African American Civil Rights Movement are funded at \$15,500,000. Building on the success of this program, the Committee provides \$2,500,000 to establish a new civil rights grant program that would preserve and highlight the sites and stories associated with securing civil rights for All Americans, including women, American Latino, Native American, Asian American, Pacific Islander, Alaska Native, Native Hawaiian, and LGBTQ Americans. The recommendation also includes \$750,000 for grants to under-represented communities.

Paul Bruhn Historic Revitalization Grants.—The bill provides \$7,500,000 for historic revitalization grants and retains the directives regarding the distribution of funding included in Senate Report 116-123. The agreement hereafter designates these grants as the “Paul Bruhn Historic Revitalization Grants,” in recognition of his 40-year commitment to historic preservation and downtown revitalization, and his exceptional legacy of public service.

Additional Guidance.—The following guidance is provided with respect to funding provided within this account:

National Register of Historic Places.—The agreement includes the directives contained in House Report 116-100 and Senate Report 116-123 pertaining to the proposed rule-making regarding the National Register of Historic Places.

CONSTRUCTION

The bill provides \$389,345,000 for Construction, \$24,641,000 above the enacted level and \$143,012,000 above the budget request.

Line-Item Construction.—The bill includes funding for updated line-item construction priorities transmitted to the Committees by the Department on May 2, 2019, as part of its budget recast. The Service is expected to use the general program increase to fund additional priority projects identified in its 5-year construction plan, with a final list of selected projects transmitted to the Committees no later than 60 days after enactment of this Act. The recommendation does not include funds to rehabilitate the Fort Vancouver National Historic Site to serve as a new regional office location. The Service shall instead brief the Committee within 60 days of enactment of this Act regarding an alternative plan for the long-term utilization of the site.

The following table details the line item construction activity for specific projects requested or provided by the administration.

State	Project	Bill (Discretionary)
NY	Statue of Liberty National Monument and Ellis Island, rehabilitate stone walls	7,852,000
NJ	Statue of Liberty National Monument and Ellis Island, fire-life and safety	5,501,000
PA	Independence National Historical Park, chiller	3,587,000
PA	Independence National Historical Park, roof replacement	3,669,000
PA	Independence National Historical Park, marble wall preservation	3,127,000
AL	Tuskegee Institute National Historic Site, Carver Museum preservation	3,533,000
MA	Boston National Historical Park, structure and facade repair	9,117,000
TN	Chickamauga & Chattanooga National Military Park, riverbank improvements	3,810,000
OR	Crater Lake National Park, visitor center stabilization	10,613,000
SC	Fort Sumter National Monument, breakwater rehabilitation	4,566,000

State	Project	Bill (Discretionary)
AZ	Grand Canyon National Park, water infrastructure improvements	16,700,000
MA	Boston National Historical Park, heat and distribution system improvements	5,445,000
CO	Curecanti National Recreation Area, visitor center improvements	7,080,000
CA	Golden Gate National Recreation Area, seismic strengthening and repairs	6,311,000
MO	Ozark National Scenic River, cabin and lodge rehabilitation	21,697,000
MA	Cape Cod National Seashore, visitor service improvements	3,245,000
WA	Fort Vancouver National Historic Site, rehabilitate barracks	0
AK	Western Arctic National Parklands, housing replacement	3,068,000
AZ	Pipe Spring National Monument, housing replacement	3,860,000
AK	Klondike Gold Rush National Historical Park, housing replacement	4,295,000
WY	Yellowstone National Park, housing replacement	3,630,000
WY	Devil's Tower National Monument, housing replacement	4,118,000
WA	Olympic National Park, Elwha River restoration settlement	2,500,000
OH	Perry's Victory & International Peace Memorial, seawall replacement	29,671,000
NC	Cape Hatteras National Seashore, lighthouse repair	18,727,000
MD	Catoctin Mountain Parkwide, utility infrastructure	21,811,000
SC	Congaree National Park, boardwalk replacement	4,798,000
NC	Cape Lookout National Seashore, lighthouse repair	8,136,000
CO	Mesa Verde National Park, water infrastructure improvements	2,369,000
CO	Dinosaur National Monument, building replacement	5,647,000
NJ	Gateway National Recreation Area, water infrastructure improvements	5,424,000
Multi	General Program Increase	29,049,000
Multi	Abandoned Mine Lands	5,000,000
Multi	Demolition and Disposal	5,000,000
Total, Line Item Construction.		272,956,000

LAND ACQUISITION AND STATE ASSISTANCE (INCLUDING RESCISSION OF FUNDS) and includes a rescission of \$2,279,000 to be derived from prior year unobligated balances. The amounts provided by this bill for projects are shown in the table below and are listed in the priority order and in the amounts recommended by the Service for fiscal year 2020.

The bill provides \$208,400,000 in new budget authority for the Land Acquisition account

State	Project	This Bill
WA/OR	Lewis and Clark National Historical Park	\$2,555,000
GA	Cumberland Island National Seashore	\$1,100,000
TX	Palo Alto Battlefield National Historical Park	3,500,000
NM	El Malpais National Monument	5,182,000
VA	Petersburg National Battlefield	2,418,000
KY/TN	Big South Fork National River and Recreation Area	850,000
NC	Guilford Courthouse National Military Park	400,000
Multi	Battlefield Parks	2,000,000
HI	Ala Kahakai National Historic Trail	6,000,000
NE/SD	Missouri National Recreation River	2,100,000
ND	Theodore Roosevelt National Park	900,000
MD/VA	George Washington Memorial Parkway	1,395,000
Subtotal, Line Item Projects		28,400,000
		Budget Request
	Acquisition Management	8,828,000
	Recreational Access	1,000,000
	Emergencies, Hardships, Relocations, and Deficiencies	0
	Inholdings, Donations, and Exchanges	0
	American Battlefield Protection Program	5,000,000
	Rescission of Funds	-10,000,000
	Total, NPS Land Acquisition	4,828,000
		This Bill
Assistance to States:		
	State conservation grants (formula)	0
	State conservation grants (competitive)	0
	Administrative expenses	0
	Total, Assistance to States	0
	Total, NPS Land Acquisition and State Assistance.	4,828,000

CENTENNIAL CHALLENGE

The bill provides \$15,000,000 for the Centennial Challenge matching grant program, \$5,000,000 below the enacted level and \$15,000,000 above the budget request. The agreement accepts the budget proposal to continue \$5,000,000 for critical programs and

projects, pursuant to 54 U.S.C. 1011 Subchapter II, in the ONPS account.

UNITED STATES GEOLOGICAL SURVEY SURVEYS, INVESTIGATIONS, AND RESEARCH

The bill provides \$1,270,957,000 for Surveys, Investigations, and Research of the U.S. Geological Survey (USGS, or the Survey). The

detailed allocation of funding by program area and activity is included in the table at the end of this explanatory statement and is maintained in the fiscal year 2019 budget structure and at enacted funding levels unless otherwise specified below.

The agreement does not approve the budget restructure as requested. Consolidating

WATER INFRASTRUCTURE FINANCE AND INNOVATION PROGRAM ACCOUNT

The agreement provides a total of \$60,000,000 for the Water Infrastructure Finance and Innovation Act (WIFIA) program. Of the amount provided, \$5,000,000 shall be for implementation of the SRF WIN Act, as authorized by section 4201 of Public Law 115-270.

ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS—ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY (INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)

The bill continues several administrative provisions from previous years.

The bill directs the availability of not less than \$1,350,000 of funds for the National Estuary Program for competitive grants.

The bill extends the authority for the Agency to hire scientists under 42 U.S.C. 209 until 2025. The Agency is directed to submit a report biannually on its use of this authority to the Committees and to the Committees on Energy and Commerce and Science, Space and Technology in the House of Representatives and the Committee on Environment and Public Works in the Senate.

TITLE III—RELATED AGENCIES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

OFFICE OF THE UNDER SECRETARY FOR NATURAL RESOURCES AND ENVIRONMENT

The bill provides \$875,000 for the Office of the Under Secretary for Natural Resources and Environment.

Forest Service Accounting, Budgeting, and Management.—The Forest Service’s (Service) efforts to improve its accounting, budgeting, and management practices are appreciated and ongoing work of the Service, Office of Budget and Program Analysis, Under Secretary for Natural Resources and Environment, and Secretary of Agriculture to continue these improvements is expected. To ensure the enactment of these efforts on October 1, 2020, bill language has been included directing the Secretary of Agriculture to establish the “Forest Service Operations” account. The Secretary of Agriculture, acting through the Chief of the Forest Service, is directed to transmit to the Committees a proposal for an alternative budget structure within 45 days of enactment of this Act. Subsequent to the transmittal of this proposal, the Service shall consult with the Committees to develop a finalized alternative budget structure. The Forest Service’s Office of Strategic Planning, Budget, and Accountability, not later than June 1, 2020, shall submit to the Committees:

1. technical assistance on new legislative language for the account structure;
2. comparison tables of fiscal years 2019, 2020, and 2021 in the account structure;
3. a copy of the interim financial management policy manual addressing changes made in this Act;
4. an outline of the financial management policy manual changes necessary for the account structure;

5. proposed changes to transfer and re-programming requirements, including technical assistance on legislative language;

6. certification by the USDA Chief Financial Officer that the Forest Service’s financial systems can report in the new account structure; and

7. a plan for training and implementation of the account structure.

Forest Service Directives.—The Service is reminded of the directives included in House Report 116-100 and Senate Report 116-123 that are not specifically addressed herein, as well as the new directives in this statement, including the front matter.

Wildland Fire Management.—The Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2018 (P.L. 115-141) provided a budget cap adjustment for wildfire suppression costs and included forest management reforms. The Service and the Secretary of Agriculture are reminded of the multi-year effort to achieve these budget and legislative changes and the expectation that all authorities will be appropriately used to improve the condition of the Nation’s forests, as well as the ability of the Service to proactively manage and sustain them for future generations. The Service is also reminded of expectations for more accurate accounting for wildfire suppression costs, especially in light of the Service’s ability to access cap adjustment funding for the first time in fiscal year 2020.

FOREST SERVICE

FOREST AND RANGELAND RESEARCH

The bill provides \$305,000,000 for Forest and Rangeland Research. This includes \$228,000,000 for base research activities and \$77,000,000 for Forest Inventory and Analysis. The Service is directed to provide \$3,000,000 to the Joint Fire Science Program for fiscal year 2020.

The Service is expected to restructure the research program by fiscal year 2021 and to report on the restructuring progress within 30 days of the enactment of this Act. This restructure shall ensure that research activities are focused on the key areas where the Service’s management responsibilities will benefit the most.

STATE AND PRIVATE FORESTRY

The bill provides \$346,990,000 for State and Private Forestry. The detailed allocation of funding by activity is included in the table at the end of this explanatory statement. Of the funds provided for Federal Lands Forest Health Management, \$3,000,000 is for Service-wide strategic workforce planning efforts.

Landscape Scale Restoration.—The Service is directed to use funds for competitive grants.

Forest Legacy.—The bill provides \$63,990,000 for the Forest Legacy program. This includes \$6,400,000 for program administration and \$57,590,000 for projects. The Service should fund projects in priority order according to the updated, competitively selected national priority list submitted to the Committees.

International Forestry.—The bill includes \$12,000,000 for International Programs, an increase of \$3,000,000 above the fiscal year 2019 enacted level. This increase will be used for the office’s programmatic work to include combatting overseas illegal timber harvests and conserving the habitat of U.S. migratory species, including the monarch butterfly.

NATIONAL FOREST SYSTEM

The bill provides \$1,957,510,000 for the National Forest System. The detailed allocation of funding by activity is included in the table at the end of this explanatory statement. The agreement does not include the direction regarding the Dakota Prairie Grasslands.

Hazardous Fuels.—The bill provides \$445,310,000 for hazardous fuels management activities within the National Forest System account. Included in this amount is \$4,000,000 for the Southwest Ecological Restoration Institutes.

Four Forests Restoration Initiative.—The Service is directed to submit a report to the Committees on Appropriations, the House Natural Resources Committee, and the Senate Energy and Natural Resources Committee, not later than 90 days after the enactment of this Act, detailing efforts to accelerate forest ecosystem restoration under the Four Forest Restoration Initiative.

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT AND MAINTENANCE (INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

The bill provides \$455,000,000 for Capital Improvement and Maintenance programs.

Facilities.—The bill includes \$154,000,000 for Facilities. The Service is expected to follow the directions in House Report 116-100 and Senate Report 116-123 and within the funds provided, at least \$53,000,000 shall be for capital improvements, decommissioning, and dam safety projects, of which, an additional \$2,000,000 is included for air tanker base repairs. Consistent with Service planning for a new Green Mountain and Finger Lakes National Forests Supervisor’s Office, the Service shall begin construction.

Roads.—The bill includes an increase of \$2,000,000 for Roads to be used to increase public safety.

Trails.—The bill includes \$81,000,000 for Trails.

LAND ACQUISITION

(INCLUDING RESCISSION OF FUNDS)

The bill provides \$78,898,000 in new budget authority for Land Acquisition, and includes a rescission of \$2,000,000 to be derived from prior year unobligated balances. The amounts provided by this bill for projects are shown in the table below and are listed in the priority order and in the amounts recommended by the Service for fiscal year 2020.

State	Project	Forest Unit	This Bill
MT	Clearwater Blackfoot	Lolo	\$9,000,000
ID	Teton Timbers	Caribou-Targhee	2,750,000
MT	Lolo Trails Landmark	Lolo	4,400,000
OR	Wasson Creek	Siuslaw	4,268,000
MN	Minnesota School Trust Lands	Superior	4,500,000
CA	Sanhedrin	Mendocino	6,400,000
SC	Promise of the Piedmont	Francis Marion & Sumter	1,600,000
CA	Wild & Scenic Kern River Access	Sequoia	1,505,000
MI	West Branch of the Ontonagon	Ottawa	2,000,000
TN	Tennessee Mountain Trails & Waters	Cherokee	4,000,000
NC	NC Threatened Treasures	Nantahala/Pisgah/Uwharrie	4,500,000
ID	SF Wilderness Ranch	Payette	1,500,000
NM	Mimbres River Parcels	Gila	2,906,000
WV	Hooke Brothers	Monongahela	750,000
KY	Daniel Boone NF	Daniel Boone	350,000
VT	Green Mountain NF (inholdings)	Green Mountain	600,000

State	Project	Forest Unit	This Bill
VA/WV	George Washington and Jefferson NF	George Washington and Jefferson	920,000
AL	Alabama's Wild Wonders	Bankhead/Talladega/Conecuh	500,000
OR	Three Rivers	Siuslaw	720,000
AK	Kadashan	Tongass	500,000
GA	Chattahoochee-Oconee NF	Chattahoochee-Oconee	620,000
WA	Washington Cascades	Okanogan-Wenatchee	1,800,000
VT	Lincoln Peak	Green Mountain	350,000
CA	Trinity Alps Wilderness (inholdings)	Shasta-Trinity	1,200,000
Subtotal, Line-item projects			57,639,000

	Budget Request	This Bill
Acquisition Management	0	8,000,000
Recreational Access	0	9,500,000
Critical Inholdings/Wilderness	0	3,500,000
Cash Equalization	0	250
Rescission of Funds	-17,000,000	-2,000,000
Total, FS Land Acquisition	-17,000,000	76,898,000

ACQUISITION OF LANDS FOR NATIONAL FORESTS SPECIAL ACTS

The bill provides \$700,000 for the Acquisition of Lands for National Forests Special Acts.

ACQUISITION OF LANDS TO COMPLETE LAND EXCHANGES

The bill provides \$150,000 for the Acquisition of Lands to Complete Land Exchanges.

RANGE BETTERMENT FUND

The bill provides \$2,000,000 for the Range Betterment Fund.

GIFTS, DONATIONS AND BEQUESTS FOR FOREST AND RANGELAND RESEARCH

The bill provides \$45,000 for Gifts, Donations and Bequests for Forest and Rangeland Research.

MANAGEMENT OF NATIONAL FOREST LANDS FOR SUBSISTENCE USES

The bill provides \$2,500,000 for the Management of National Forest Lands for Subsistence Uses.

WILDLAND FIRE MANAGEMENT (INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)

The bill provides a total of \$4,300,620,000 for Forest Service Wildland Fire Management. Of the funds provided, \$2,961,000,000 is for suppression operations, of which \$1,950,000,000 is provided through the Wildland Fire Cap Adjustment authorized in the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2018 (P.L. 115-141).

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

INDIAN HEALTH SERVICE INDIAN HEALTH SERVICES

The bill provides a total of \$6,047,094,000 for the Indian Health Service (IHS), of which \$4,315,205,000 is for the Services account as detailed below. All programs, projects, and activities are maintained at fiscal year 2019 enacted levels unless otherwise specified below. IHS is expected to comply with the instructions and requirements at the beginning of this division and in House Report 116-100 and Senate Report 116-123, unless otherwise specified below. Additional details, instructions, and requirements follow below and in the table at the end of this division.

Staffing for New Facilities.—The agreement includes \$78,200,000 for staffing newly opened health facilities, which is the full amount based upon updated estimates provided to the Committees. Funds for the staffing of new facilities are limited to facilities funded through the Health Care Facilities Construction Priority System or the Joint Venture Construction Program that have opened in fiscal year 2019 or will open in fiscal year 2020. None of these funds may be allocated to

a facility until such facility has achieved beneficial occupancy status. As part of its annual budget justification, IHS is expected to detail, for the two prior fiscal years, the transfer from the Staffing for New Facilities account into the base amount of each facility as well as continue detailing the amounts necessary for the Staffing for New Facilities account by facility for the upcoming fiscal year. As initial estimates included as part of the annual budget request are refined, IHS is expected to communicate updated cost estimates to the Committees.

105(l) Lease Costs.—The recommendation includes \$125,000,000 for section 105(l) lease costs, \$89,000,000 above the enacted level. These funds are to supplement existing funds available for operational costs at Village Built Clinics and Tribal clinics operated under an Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act compact or contract where health care is delivered in space acquired through a full-service lease. IHS is directed to comply with the 105(l) lease costs language included in the front of this report as well as the directive in the Senate Report 116-123 regarding the specific statutory and regulatory challenges that may make it difficult to accurately formulate a budget for these costs.

Hospitals and Health Clinics.—The agreement provides \$2,324,606,000 for hospitals and health clinics, and includes \$9,967,000 for domestic violence prevention, \$5,433,000 for Tribal Epidemiology Centers, \$11,463,000 for new Tribes, \$2,000,000 for quality and oversight, and \$5,000,000 for the national Community Health Aide Program (CHAP) expansion, which shall not divert funding from the existing CHAP program serving Alaska. The agreement funds the existing CHAP program at the fiscal year 2019 level.

Electronic Health Records.—The agreement provides \$8,000,000 for Electronic Health Record (EHR) system to improve the current IT infrastructure system in order to support the deployment of a new or modernized EHR solution. The new or modernized EHR shall be compatible with the new Veterans Affairs system and with systems used by Indian Tribes or Tribal organizations that do not currently use the resource patient management system (RPMS).

Dental Health.—The agreement provides \$210,590,000 for dental health and includes \$2,000,000 for the electronic dental health records (EDR) system to enable IHS to bring more dental centers onto the system and to manage the current electronic dental record system. IHS is directed to include EDR in its assessment and incorporate EDR in overall efforts to enhance its EHR system.

Mental Health.—The bill provides \$108,933,000 for mental health and continues

funding at fiscal year 2019 levels for the behavioral health integration initiative and for suicide prevention.

Opioid Grants.—To better combat the opioid epidemic, the agreement continues funding of \$10,000,000 and instructs IHS, in coordination with the Assistant Secretary for Mental Health and Substance Abuse, to use the funds provided to continue a Special Behavioral Health Pilot Program as authorized by Public Law 116-6. The Director of IHS, in coordination with the Assistant Secretary for Mental Health and Substance Use, shall award grants for providing services, providing technical assistance to grantees under this section, collecting data, and evaluating performance of the program.

IHS is finishing Tribal consultation for the substance abuse, suicide prevention, and domestic violence funding and the Service is urged to complete this phase of the process within 90 days of the date of enactment of this Act so that funds can be distributed expeditiously.

Alcohol and Substance Abuse.—The bill provides \$245,603,000 for alcohol and substance abuse and includes the \$1,369,000 transfer of the former National Institute on Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism programs (former-NIAAA programs) to the urban Indians health program. As noted above, the agreement continues fiscal year 2019 funding levels to address opioid abuse and provide essential detoxification services as well as fund Generation Indigenous and the Youth Pilot project. Funding for detoxification services shall be distributed as directed in Senate Report 116-123.

Urban Indian Health.—The agreement provides \$57,684,000 for urban Indian health programs and includes the requested transfer of \$1,369,000 former-NIAAA programs from the alcohol and substance abuse program.

Indian Health Professions.—The agreement provides \$65,314,000 for Indian health professions, including \$40,000,000 for the loan repayment program and a \$3,951,000 general program increase to help with the recruitment and retention of health professionals. The agreement has provided these funds with the Indian Health Professions program rather than within the Hospitals and Health Clinics program as originally requested by the Administration. Funding is continued at the fiscal year 2019 levels for the InMed fourth site, Quentin N. Burdick Indians into Nursing, and the American Indians into Psychology Programs.

CONTRACT SUPPORT COSTS

The bill continues language from fiscal year 2019 establishing an indefinite appropriation for contract support costs estimated to be \$820,000,000, which is equal to the request.