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To reaffirm the action of the Secretary of the Interior to take land into trust for the benefit of the Santa Ynez Band of Chumash Mission Indians, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MARCH 10, 2017

Mr. LAMALFA introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Natural Resources

SEPTEMBER 21, 2017

Additional sponsors: Mrs. TORRES, Mr. COOK, Mr. McCLINTOCK, Mr. DENHAM, Mr. RUIZ, Mr. VARGAS, Mr. CÁRDENAS, Mr. KNIGHT, Mr. COLE, Mr. NUNES, Mr. CORREA, Mr. VALADAO, and Mrs. MIMI WALTERS of California

SEPTEMBER 21, 2017

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

[Strike out all after the enacting clause and insert the part printed in italic]

[For text of introduced bill, see copy of bill as introduced on March 10, 2017]

A BILL

To reaffirm the action of the Secretary of the Interior to take land into trust for the benefit of the Santa Ynez Band of Chumash Mission Indians, 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 “Santa Ynez Band of*
5 *Chumash Indians Land Affirmation Act of 2017”.*

6 **SEC. 2. REAFFIRMATION OF STATUS AND ACTIONS.**

7 *(a) RATIFICATION OF TRUST STATUS.—The action*
8 *taken by the Secretary on January 20, 2017, to place ap-*
9 *proximately 1,427.28 acres of land located in Santa Bar-*
10 *bara County, California, into trust for the benefit of the*
11 *Santa Ynez Band of Chumash Indians is hereby ratified*
12 *and confirmed as if that action had been taken under a*
13 *Federal law specifically authorizing or directing that ac-*
14 *tion.*

15 *(b) RATIFICATION OF ACTIONS OF THE SECRETARY.—*
16 *The actions taken by the Secretary to assume jurisdiction*
17 *over the appeals relating to the fee-to-trust acquisition of*
18 *approximately 1,427.28 acres in Santa Barbara County,*
19 *California, on January 30, 2015, is hereby ratified and*
20 *confirmed as if that action had been taken under a Federal*
21 *law specifically authorizing or directing that action.*

22 *(c) RATIFICATION OF ACTIONS OF THE SECRETARY.—*
23 *The actions taken by the Secretary to dismiss the appeals*
24 *relating to the fee-to-trust acquisition of approximately*
25 *1,427.28 acres in Santa Barbara County, California, on*

1 *January 19, 2017, is hereby ratified and confirmed as if*
2 *that action had been taken under a Federal law specifically*
3 *authorizing or directing that action.*

4 *(d) ADMINISTRATION.—*

5 *(1) ADMINISTRATION.—The land placed into*
6 *trust for the benefit of the Santa Ynez Band of*
7 *Chumash Indians by the Secretary of the Interior on*
8 *January 20, 2017, shall be a part of the Santa Ynez*
9 *Indian Reservation and administered in accordance*
10 *with the laws and regulations generally applicable to*
11 *the land held in trust by the United States for an In-*
12 *Indian tribe.*

13 *(2) EFFECT.—For purposes of certain California*
14 *State laws (including the California Land Conserva-*
15 *tion Act of 1965, Government Code Section 51200, et*
16 *seq.), placing the land described in subsection (b) into*
17 *trust shall remove any restrictions on the property*
18 *pursuant to California Government Code Section*
19 *51295 or any other provision of such Act.*

20 *(e) LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF LANDS TRANSFERRED.—*
21 *The lands to be transferred pursuant to this Act are de-*
22 *scribed as follows:*

23 *Legal Land Description/Site Location:Real prop-*
24 *erty in the unincorporated area of the County of*
25 *Santa Barbara, State of California, described as fol-*

1 *lows: PARCEL 1: (APN: 141-121-51 AND PORTION*
2 *OF APN 141-140-10) LOTS 9 THROUGH 18, IN-*
3 *CLUSIVE, OF TRACT 18, IN THE COUNTY OF*
4 *SANTA BARBARA, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, AS*
5 *SHOWN ON THE MAP SHOWING THE SUB-*
6 *DIVISIONS OF THE CANADA DE LOS PINOS*
7 *OR COLLEGE RANCHO, FILED IN RACK 3, AS*
8 *MAP 4 IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY RE-*
9 *CORDER OF SAID COUNTY. THIS LEGAL IS*
10 *MADE PURSUANT TO THAT CERTAIN CER-*
11 *TIFICATE OF COMPLIANCE RECORDED DE-*
12 *CEMBER 5, 2001 AS INSTRUMENT NO. 01-*
13 *105580 OF OFFICIAL RECORDS. PARCEL 2:*
14 *(PORTION OF APN: 141-140-10) LOTS 1*
15 *THROUGH 12, INCLUSIVE, OF TRACT 24, IN*
16 *THE COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA, STATE OF*
17 *CALIFORNIA, AS SHOWN ON THE MAP SHOW-*
18 *ING THE SUBDIVISIONS OF THE CANADA DE*
19 *LOS PINOS OR COLLEGE RANCHO, FILED IN*
20 *RACK 3, AS MAP 4 IN THE OFFICE OF THE*
21 *COUNTY RECORDER OF SAID COUNTY. THIS*
22 *LEGAL IS MADE PURSUANT TO THAT CER-*
23 *TAIN CERTIFICATE OF COMPLIANCE RE-*
24 *CORDED DECEMBER 5, 2001 AS INSTRUMENT*
25 *NO. 01-105581 OF OFFICIAL RECORDS. PARCEL*

1 3: (PORTIONS OF APNS: 141-230-23 AND 141-140-
2 10) LOTS 19 AND 20 OF TRACT 18 AND THAT
3 PORTION OF LOTS 1, 2, 7, 8, 9, 10, AND 15
4 THROUGH 20, INCLUSIVE, OF TRACT 16, IN
5 THE COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA, STATE OF
6 CALIFORNIA, AS SHOWN ON THE MAP SHOW-
7 ING THE SUBDIVISIONS OF THE CANADA DE
8 LOS PINOS OR COLLEGE RANCHO, FILED IN
9 RACK 3, AS MAP 4 IN THE OFFICE OF THE
10 COUNTY RECORDER OF SAID COUNTY, THAT
11 LIES NORTHEASTERLY OF THE NORTHEAST-
12 ERLY LINE OF THE LAND GRANTED TO THE
13 STATE OF CALIFORNIA BY AN EXECUTOR'S
14 DEED RECORDED APRIL 2, 1968 IN BOOK
15 2227, PAGE 136 OF OFFICIAL RECORDS OF
16 SAID COUNTY. THIS LEGAL IS MADE PURSU-
17 ANT TO THAT CERTAIN CERTIFICATE OF
18 COMPLIANCE RECORDED DECEMBER 5, 2001
19 AS INSTRUMENT NO. 01-105582 OF OFFICIAL
20 RECORDS. PARCEL 4: (APN: 141-240-02 AND
21 PORTION OF APN: 141-140-10) LOTS 1
22 THROUGH 12, INCLUSIVE, OF TRACT 25, IN
23 THE COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA, STATE OF
24 CALIFORNIA, AS SHOWN ON THE MAP SHOW-
25 ING THE SUBDIVISIONS OF THE CANADA DE

1 LOS PINOS OR COLLEGE RANCHO, FILED IN
2 RACK 3, AS MAP 4 IN THE OFFICE OF THE
3 COUNTY RECORDER OF SAID COUNTY.THIS
4 LEGAL IS MADE PURSUANT TO THAT CER-
5 TAIN CERTIFICATE OF COMPLIANCE RE-
6 CORDED DECEMBER 5, 2001 AS INSTRUMENT
7 NO. 01-105583 OF OFFICIAL RECORDS. PARCEL
8 5: (PORTION OF APN: 141-230-23)THAT POR-
9 TION OF LOTS 3 AND 6 OF TRACT 16, IN THE
10 COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA, STATE OF
11 CALIFORNIA, AS SHOWN ON THE MAP SHOW-
12 ING THE SUBDIVISIONS OF THE CANADA DE
13 LOS PINOS OR COLLEGE RANCHO, FILED IN
14 RACK 3, AS MAP 4 IN THE OFFICE OF THE
15 COUNTY RECORDER OF SAID COUNTY, THAT
16 LIES NORTHEASTERLY OF THE NORTHEAST-
17 ERLY LINE OF THE LAND GRANTED TO THE
18 STATE OF CALIFORNIA BY AN EXECUTOR'S
19 DEED RECORDED APRIL 2, 1968 IN BOOK
20 2227, PAGE 136 OF OFFICIAL RECORDS OF
21 SAID COUNTY.THIS LEGAL IS MADE PURSU-
22 ANT TO THAT CERTAIN CERTIFICATE OF
23 COMPLIANCE RECORDED DECEMBER 5, 2001
24 AS INSTRUMENT NO. 01-105584 OF OFFICIAL
25 RECORDS.

1 (f) *RULES OF CONSTRUCTION.*—*Nothing in this Act*
2 *shall—*

3 (1) *enlarge, impair, or otherwise affect any right*
4 *or claim of the Tribe to any land or interest in land*
5 *that is in existence before the date of the enactment*
6 *of this Act;*

7 (2) *affect any water right of the Tribe in exist-*
8 *ence before the date of the enactment of this Act; or*

9 (3) *terminate or limit any access in any way to*
10 *any right-of-way or right-of-use issued, granted, or*
11 *permitted before the date of the enactment of this Act.*

12 (g) *RESTRICTED USE OF TRANSFERRED LANDS.*—*The*
13 *Tribe may not conduct, on the land described in subsection*
14 *(b) taken into trust for the Tribe pursuant to this Act, gam-*
15 *ing activities—*

16 (1) *as a matter of claimed inherent authority; or*

17 (2) *under any Federal law, including the Indian*
18 *Gaming Regulatory Act (25 U.S.C. 2701 et seq.) and*
19 *regulations promulgated by the Secretary or the Na-*
20 *tional Indian Gaming Commission under that Act.*

21 (h) *DEFINITIONS.*—*For the purposes of this section:*

22 (1) *SECRETARY.*—*The term “Secretary” means*
23 *the Secretary of the Interior.*

24 (2) *TRIBE.*—*The term “Tribe” means the Santa*
25 *Ynez Band of Chumash Mission Indians.*