

WILDERNESS LEGISLATION IN 115TH CONGRESS

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Bill No./Sponsor	Title (not exact)	Latest Action	Comments
H.J. Res. 35 H.J. Res. 49 H. J. Res. 69 Young (R-AK)	Hunting on Alaska National Wildlife Refuges	Trump signed HJ Res 69 into law on 3 April 2017 as P.L. 115-20.	Disapproves Dept. of Interior’s hunting regulations for National Wildlife Refuges in AK designed to protect wildlife from unethical practices. <i>S. J. Res. 18 is companion.</i>
HR 49 Young (R-AK)	American Energy Independence and Job Creation Act	Referred to NR Committee	Would open the coastal plain of the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge to oil and gas development.
HR 218 Young (R-AK)	Izembek Road	Passed House on 20 July 2017. H. Rept. 115-218.	Would force a land exchange to build a 10-mile road through the heart of the Izembek Wilderness in AK. <i>S. 101 is companion.</i>
HR 381 McClintock (R-CA)	Sky Point Naming	Trump signed into law on 10 Jan. 2018 as PL 115-109.	Names a peak in the John Muir Wilderness as Sky Point.
HR 689 Polis (D-CO)	Bolts Ditch Headgate	Passed House on 6 Feb. 2017. S. Rept. 115-58.	Would allow nonmotorized access and use of Bolts Ditch headgate and ditch segment by Town of Minturn within the Holy Cross Wilderness in CO. <i>S. 285 is companion.</i>
HR 699 Walden (R-OR)	Mt. Hood Wilderness Land Exchange	Trump signed into law on 10 Jan. 2018 as P.L. 115-110.	Would amend 2009 Omnibus Act to modify land exchanges in the Mt. Hood Wilderness in OR. <i>S. 225 is companion.</i>
HR 827 Vargas (D-CA)	Imperial Valley Desert Conservation and Recreation Act	Referred to NR Committee	Establishes the Vinagre Wash Special Management Area in California, which shall consist of approximately 81,880 acres in Imperial County. Interior shall manage specified lands in the Management Area to preserve their character. Designates 3 potential Wildernesses totaling 38,440 acres plus Indian Pass Additions totaling 10,860 acres.

<p>HR 857 Cook (R-CA)</p>	<p>California Off-Road Recreation and Conservation Act</p>	<p>Passed House 25 June 2018 and referred to Sen. ENR Committee.</p>	<p>Designates 6 BLM Wildernesses totaling 250,460 acres. Adds 6 additions to Death Valley Wilderness totaling 91,596 acres. Adds 7,141 acres to San Geronio Wilderness. Contains buffer zone and military activities special provisions. Allows utility and rights-of-way to continue in San Geronio Wilderness. Contains new special provisions for cherry-stem roads and bad fire language. Designates 4 areas of potential wilderness totaling 49,300 acres. Establishes Mojave Trails National Monument and Sand to Snow National Monument. Adds 39,369 acres to Death Valley Nat'l Park. Releases 6 WSAs. Adds 4,518 acres to Joshua Tree Nat'l Park. Establishes 5 OHV recreation areas. Establishes 18,610-acre Alabama Hills National Scenic Area. Establishes 6350-acre Black Lava Butte and Flat Top Mesa Area of Critical Env. Concern. <i>S. 32 is companion.</i></p>
<p>HR 1107 Amodei (R-NV)</p>	<p>Pershing County Economic Development Act</p>	<p>Passed House 16 Jan. 2018. H. Rept. 115-336.</p>	<p>Would designate 7 Wildernesses totaling 136,072 acres of BLM land in Pershing County as Wilderness. Contains bad special provisions on buffers; military overflights; installation and maintenance of hydrologic, meteorologic, or climatological data collection devices; water rights; a temporary communications device in Selenite Peak Wilderness; use of aircraft/helicopters for any wildlife purpose; installation of guzzlers; and releases 48,600 acres of WSAs. <i>S. 414 is companion.</i></p>
<p>HR 1285 Kilmer (D-WA)</p>	<p>Wild Olympics</p>	<p>Referred to NR Committee</p>	<p>Would designate 14 wildernesses totaling 126,554 acres in Olympic National Forest and designate 464 river miles across 19 rivers and major tributaries on the Olympic Peninsula as "Wild and Scenic Rivers." Also designates 5,346 acres as Potential Wilderness. Has buffer zone language. <i>S. 483 is companion.</i></p>
<p>HR 1349 McClintock (R-CA)</p>	<p>Mountain Bikes in Wilderness</p>	<p>Passed NR Committee on 13 Dec 2017. No H. Rept. Yet.</p>	<p>Would amend the Wilderness Act to allow bikes, strollers, wheelbarrows, game carts, survey wheels, measuring wheels in designated Wilderness for the first</p>

			time. Would also allow wheelchairs, but they are already allowed. <i>S. 2877 is companion, but not identical.</i>
HR 1482 Simpson (R-ID)	Smith Gulch Bill	Passed NR Committee 11 July 2018. H. Rept. 115-833.	Allows permanent maintenance and replacement of commercial recreation facilities at Smith Gulch on the wild Salmon River in the Frank Church-River of No Return Wilderness in ID. <i>S. 590 is companion.</i>
HR 1889 Huffman (D-CA)	Arctic Refuge Coastal Plain Wilderness Act (Udall-Eisenhower Arctic Wilderness Act)	Referred to NR Committee	Would designate the 1.56 million-acre coastal plain of the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge in AK as wilderness. <i>S. 820 is companion.</i>
HR 1913 Panetta (D-CA)	Joaquin Rocks Wilderness Bill	Passed House on 11 July 2017. H. Rept. 115-209.	Would designate the 21,000-acre Joaquin Rocks Wilderness in San Benito and Fresno Counties, CA, on BLM-administered land.
HR 1944 Latta (R-OH)	Commercial Filming on Federal Lands	Referred to NR and Ag Committees	May open up all Wildernesses to commercial filming for the first time.
HR 2044 Lowenthal (D-CA)	America's Red Rock Wilderness Act	Referred to NR Committee	Would designate 9.2 million acres of wilderness in southern Utah. <i>S. 948 is companion.</i>
HR 2135 Maloney (D-NY)	Northern Rockies Ecosystem Protection Act (NREPA)	Referred to NR Committee	Would designate 23 million acres of Wilderness in Idaho, Montana, Oregon, Washington, and Wyoming, plus 1800 miles of wild and scenic river segments. <i>S. 936 is companion.</i>
HR 2218 Roe (R-TN)	Tennessee Wilderness Act	Referred to NR and Ag Committees	Would expand Big Laurel Branch Wilderness and Sampson Mountain Wilderness on Cherokee National Forest in Tennessee, totally 7,368 acres. <i>S. 973 is companion, but not identical.</i>
HR 2374 Kihuan (D-NV)	Eastern Nevada Economic Development and Land Management Improvement Act	Passed NR Committee on 14 Sept. 2017. H. Rept. 115-311.	Adjusts the boundaries of Mt. Moriah, High Schells, and Arc Dome Wildernesses in eastern NV. Reduces size of all 3 areas by abt. 44 acres in total. <i>S. 1046 is companion.</i>

HR 2936 Westerman (R-AR)	Resilient Federal Forests Act	Passed full House on 1 November 2017. H. Rept. 115-370, Parts 1 and 2.	Among many truly bad environmental provisions, Sec. 913 of this bill seems to un-designate parts of at least two Wildernesses in OR, the Table Rock Wilderness and Soda Mountain Wilderness. H. Amdt. 472 by DeFazio excluding Wildernesses from Sec. 913 was adopted on House floor.
HR 3039 Chu (D-CA)	San Gabriel Mountains Forever Act	Referred to NR Committee	Would designate 31,069 acres of Wilderness and 45 miles of wild and scenic river segments in San Gabriel Mtns of CA. Allows motor vehicles and aircraft for wildlife management, has buffer zone language, horse language, law enforcement language, military overflights language, and allows installation and maintenance of hydrologic, meteorologic, or climatological collection devices.
HR 3115 Nolan (D-MN)	Superior National Forest Land Exchange Act	Passed full House on 28 Nov. 2017 on a 309-99 vote. H. Rept. 115-287.	Would force an exchange involving 6,650 acres of federal land to facilitate development of new PolyMet copper-nickel mine south of the BWCAW, and would sidestep the 4 lawsuits challenging this bad exchange.
HR 3354	Interior Appropriations	Under negotiation in March 2018.	Sec. 437 in the House version is a rider that could open up long-vacant or retired grazing allotments inside Wilderness, with damage to natural resources and wilderness values. Did not make it into Omnibus Appropriations in March 2018.
HR 3548 McCaul (R-TX)	Border Security for America Act	Placed on Union Calendar No. 471 on 23 Mar. 2018. H. Rept. 115-505, Part 1.	Would waive the 1964 Wilderness Act and 35 other federal laws for U.S. Customs and Border Protection within 100 miles of the southern and northern borders. <i>S. 1757 is related bill, but not exact companion.</i>
HR 3593 Johnson (R-LA)	Secure Our Borders and Wilderness Act	Referred to NR Committee and Homeland Security Committee	Would directly amend the 1964 Wilderness Act to access structures, installations and roads; use motor vehicles; use and land aircraft; deploy “temporary” infrastructure, including forward operating bases; construct and maintain roads.

HR 3624 Smith (D-WA)	Rural Economic Vitalization Act (REVA)	Referred to NR Committee	Allows ranchers to waive grazing permits on public lands, including Wilderness, which then are permanently retired. It encourages financial compensation to ranchers for waiving grazing permits by third-party conservation interests.
HR 3668 Duncan (R-SC)	Sportsmen's Heritage and Recreational Enhancement (SHARE) Act	Passed Natural Resources Committee on 13 September 2017.	Contains major wilderness-damaging provisions that would allow for logging, road-building, dam construction, and any other activity if even remotely connected to hunting, fishing, recreational shooting, or fish and wildlife management.
HR 3873 Gianforte (R-MT)	Alex Diekmann Peak Designation	Trump signed into law on 31 Jan. 2018 as P.L. 115-122.	Would name a peak in the Lee Metcalf Wilderness in MT as Alex Diekmann Peak. <i>S. 117 is companion.</i>
HR 3905 Emmer (R-MN)	BWCAW-Edge Mining Development	Passed full House on 30 Nov. 2017, 216-202. H. Rept. 115-422.	Would prohibit the Forest Service from excluding any FS lands in MN from mining without approval from Congress. Would also award two expired federal mining leases to Twin Metals to develop a massive copper-nickel mine at the edge of the Boundary Waters Canoe Area Wilderness.
HR 4072 Carbajal (D-CA)	Central Coast Heritage Protection Act	Referred to NR Committee	Would designate 3 BLM Wildernesses totaling 61,536 acres and 9 Wildernesses on the Los Padres National Forest totaling 183,373 acres in CA as Wilderness. Contains buffer zone and military overflights language. Contains special horse language. Allows 2 existing water transport/diversion facilities and 1 existing electricity line to continue in San Rafael Wilderness Additions. Authorizes the installation and maintenance of hydrologic, meteorologic, or climatological collection devices in the wilderness areas if the Secretary determines that the facilities and access to the facilities are essential to flood warning, flood control, or water reservoir operation activities. <i>S. 1959 is companion.</i>

HR 4134 Simpson (R-ID)	Cecil D. Andrus-White Clouds Wilderness Redesignation Act	H. Rept. 115-581. Passed as part of HR 1625, the Consolidated Appropriations Act, on 22 March 2018, and signed into law as P.L. 115-141.	Would re-name the White Clouds Wilderness in ID as the Cecil D. Andrus-White Clouds Wilderness.
HR 4697 Cheney (R-WY)	Wyoming Wilderness Study Areas	Referred to NR Committee	Would open up the Palisades, High Lakes, and Shoal Creek Wilderness Study Areas to snowmobiling, dirt bike riding, mountain biking, and helicopter skiing.
HR 4883 Polis (D-CO)	Continental Divide Recreation, Wilderness, and Camp Hale Legacy Act	Referred to NR Committee	Amends 1993 Colorado Wilderness Act to designate 2 wilderness additions and 2 new Wildernesses on the White River National Forest totaling 26,162 acres. Also designates 8,192-acre Williams Fork Potential Wilderness. Includes typical buffer zone and military overflight special provisions. Deletes 15.5 acres of potential wilderness from Rocky Mountain National Park Wilderness. Includes Bolts Ditch Access language (HR 689) for Holy Cross Wilderness. <i>S. 2337 is companion.</i>
HR 5148 Gianforte (R-MT)	Protect Public Use of Public Lands Act	Subcommittee hearing held 21 June 2018.	Would remove protection from 5 Wilderness Study Areas (WSAs) in MT on Forest Service-administered lands totaling 449,500 acres and open them to development. S. 2206 is companion.
HR 5149 Gianforte (R-MT)	Unlocking Public Lands Act	Subcommittee hearing held 21 June 2018.	Would remove protection from 25 Wilderness Study Areas (WSAs) in MT totaling about 240,000 acres of BLM-administered lands and open them to development.
HR 5600 Lujan (D-NM)	Cerro del Norte Conservation Act	Referred to NR Committee	Designates Cerro del Yuta Wilderness (13,420 acres) in Taos Co., NM, and Rio San Antonio Wilderness (8,120 acres) in Rio Arriba Co., NM, on BLM lands. Contains buffer zone language. Releases rest of San Antonio WSA. <i>S. 432 is companion.</i>
HR 5636 Hill (R-AR)	Flatside Wilderness Enhancement Act	NR Committee markup on 26 Sept. 2018.	Adds 640 acres to the Flatside Wilderness on the Ouchita National Forest in Arkansas, with more possible after

			further evaluation. Allows motorized equipment and mechanized transport for ecological restoration on lands not currently suitable for wilderness designation but which may be suitable in the future.
HR 5727 Curtis (R-UT)	Emery County Public Land Management Act	Full NR Committee markup on 26 Sept. 2018.	Among other things, the bill designates 10 Wildernesses totaling 529,146 acres in Emery County, UT, 2 of which are FS land and 8 of BLM land. Contains many special provisions (buffer zones, military overflights, outfitters and guiding, “casual collection” of fossils and minerals, installation and maintenance of hydrologic, meteorologic, or climatological collection devices), and badly cherry-stemmed boundaries. Riddles the proposed Wildernesses with old RS 2477 road claims. S. 2809 is companion.
HR 5911 Huffman (D-CA)	Arctic Cultural and Coastal Plain Protection Act	Referred to NR Committee	Would repeal Sec. 20001 of P.L. 115-97 to prevent oil and gas development on the coastal plain of the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge in AK.
HR 6007 LaMalfa (R-CA)	Restoring Access to Public Lands Act	Referred to NR Committee	Would remove Wilderness Study Area protection for 13 WSAs on BLM land in CA totaling 170,284 acres.
HR 6136 Goodlatte (R-VA)	Border Security and Immigration Reform Act of 2018	Failed on House Floor on 27 June 2018.	Among many other things, this bill would waive 35 federal laws, including the 1964 Wilderness Act, for US Customs and Border Protection, apparently anywhere in the country.
HR 6299 Amodei (R-NV)	Nevada Lands Bill	Full House to vote on bill on 25 Sept. 2018.	Among other things, would modify wilderness boundaries of Mt. Moriah, High Schells, and Arc Dome Wildernesses in NV. Same boundary adjustments as HR 2374?
HR 6484 DeFazio (D-OR)	Devil’s Staircase Wilderness	Referred to NR Committee	Designates the 30,520-acre Devils’ Staircase Wilderness on FS and BLM land in Douglas County, OR. Also designates 2 sections of Wild and Scenic Rivers. Contains usual buffer zone language but otherwise clean. <i>S. 1548 includes</i>

			<i>Devil's Staircase W designation, but not a companion bill.</i>
HR 6492 DeGette (D-CO)	Colorado Wilderness Act of 2018	Referred to NR Committee	Would designate 740,000 acres of Wilderness in CO, 34 as new Wildernesses and 20 as wilderness additions, primarily on BLM lands. Contains special provisions on buffers, military overflights, and allows competitive running events to continue in the Redcloud Peak and Handies Peak Wildernesses. Also contains extensive provisions on wilderness water rights.
HR 6520 Grijalva (D-AZ)	Arizona Sonoran Desert Heritage Act	Referred to NR Committee	Designates 6 wildernesses totaling 290,823 acres. Other than the typical buffer zone and military overflight language, the bill is clean of special provisions.
HR 6596 Huffman (D-CA)	Northwest California Wilderness, Recreation, and Working Forests Act	Referred to NR Committee	Among many other things, this bill would designate 326,000 acres as Wilderness by expanding 9 existing Wildernesses and designating 10 new ones. Special provisions in bill include buffer zones; military overflights; horses; installation and maintenance of hydrologic, meteorologic, or climatological collection devices; competitive equestrian events in Chinquapin Wilderness; and some fish and wildlife management.
HR 6676 Amodei (R-NV)	Douglas County Economic Development and Conservation Act	Referred to NR Committee	Among many other things, this bill would designate a 12,330-acre Burbank Canyons Wilderness on BLM-administered land. Has special provisions for buffer zones; use of existing airstrips within 5 miles; hydrologic, meteorologic, or climatological collection devices; water rights; motor vehicles and aircraft for wildlife; and releases rest of Burbank Canyon WSA. <i>S. 3397 is companion.</i>
HR 6843 Bishop (R-UT)	Northern Utah Public Lands Management Act	Referred to NR Committee	Does not designate any Wilderness, gives away 1000 acres (and a reservoir and a fish hatchery), and undermines the Roadless Rule. TEXT NOT YET AVAILABLE

S.J. Res. 18 Sullivan (R-AK)	Hunting on Alaska National Wildlife Refuges	Trump signed H.J. Res. 69 into law on 3 April 2017 as P.L. 115-20.	Disapproves Dept. of Interior's hunting regulations for National Wildlife Refuges in AK designed to protect wildlife from unethical practices. <i>H. J. Res. 69 is companion.</i>
S. 32 Feinstein (D-CA)	CA Desert Protection and Recreation Act	Referred to ENR Committee	Designates 6 BLM Wildernesses totaling 250,460 acres. Adds 6 additions to Death Valley Wilderness totaling 91,596 acres. Adds 7,141 acres to San Geronio Wilderness. Contains buffer zone and military activities special provisions. Allows utility and rights-of-way to continue in San Geronio Wilderness. Contains new special provisions for cherry-stem roads and bad fire language. Designates 4 areas of potential wilderness totaling 49,300 acres. Establishes Mojave Trails National Monument and Sand to Snow National Monument. Adds 39,369 acres to Death Valley Nat'l Park. Releases 6 WSAs. Adds 4,518 acres to Joshua Tree Nat'l Park. Establishes 5 OHV recreation areas. Establishes 18,610-acre Alabama Hills National Scenic Area. Establishes 6350-acre Black Lava Butte and Flat Top Mesa Area of Critical Env. Concern. <i>HR 857 is companion.</i>
S. 49 Murkowski (R-AK)	AK Oil and Gas Production Act	Referred to ENR Committee	Among other things, would open the coastal plain of the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge to oil and gas development.
S. 101 Murkowski (R-AK)	Izembek Road	Referred to ENR Committee	Would force a land exchange to build a 10-mile road through the heart of the Izembek Wilderness in AK. <i>HR 218 is companion.</i>
S. 117 Daines (R-MT)	Alex Diekmann Peak Designation Act	Trump signed into law on 31 Jan. 2018 as P.L. 115-122.	Would name a currently unnamed peak in the Lee Metcalf Wilderness as Alex Diekmann Peak. <i>HR 3873 is companion.</i>
S. 213 Murkowski (R-AK)	Jay S. Hammond Wilderness Re-naming	Passed ENR Committee 30 Mar 2017. Sen. Rpt. 115-108.	Would re-name the Lake Clark Wilderness in AK as the Jay S. Hammond Wilderness.

S. 225 Wyden (D-OR)	Mt. Hood Wilderness Land Exchange	Trump signed into law on 10 Jan. 2018 as P.L. 115-110.	Would amend 2009 Omnibus Act to modify land exchanges in the Mt. Hood Wilderness in OR. <i>HR 699 is companion.</i>
S. 285 Gardner (R-CO)	Bolts Ditch Headgate	Passed ENR Committee 30 Mar 2017. S. Rept. 115-53.	Would allow nonmotorized access and use of Bolts Ditch headgate and ditch segment by Town of Minturn within the Holy Cross Wilderness in CO. <i>HR 689 is companion.</i>
S. 414 Heller (R-NV)	Pershing County Economic Development Act	Subcommittee hearing held 7 Feb. 2018.	Would designate 7 Wildernesses totaling 136,072 acres of BLM land in Pershing County as Wilderness. Contains bad special provisions on buffers; military overflights; installation and maintenance of hydrologic, meteorologic, or climatological data collection devices; water rights; a temporary communications device in Selenite Peak Wilderness; use of aircraft/helicopters for any wildlife purpose; installation of guzzlers; and releases 48,600 acres of WSAs. <i>HR 1107 is companion.</i>
S. 432 Heinrich (D-NM)	Cerro del Yuta and Rio San Antonio Wilderness	Passed Senate on 21 Dec. 2017. S. Rept. 115-40.	Designates Cerro del Yuta Wilderness (13,420 acres) in Taos Co., NM, and Rio San Antonio Wilderness (8,120 acres) in Rio Arriba Co., NM, on BLM lands. Contains buffer zone language. Releases rest of San Antonio WSA. <i>HR 5600 is companion.</i>
S. 436 Heinrich (D-NM)	Navaho Nation/San Juan County Wildernesses	Passed ENR Committee on 30 July 2018. S. Rept. 115-318.	Designates the 7,242-acre Ah-shi-sle-pah Wilderness on BLM land in San Juan Co., NM. Releases rest of Ah-shi-sle-pah WSA. Adds 2,250 acres to Bisti/De-Na-Zin Wilderness. Contains buffer zone language.
S. 441 Udall (D-NM)	Organ Mountains-Desert Peaks Conservation Act	Subcommittee hearing held on 7 Feb. 2018.	Designates 8 wildernesses on BLM land in Dona Ana County, NM, totaling 241,786 acres. Has buffer zone and military overflights language. Allows continued paragliding in Portillo Mtns Wilderness. Allows installation and maintenance of hydrologic, meteorologic, or climatologic collection devices if the facilities and access to the facilities are essential to flood warning, flood control, or water reservoir operation activities. Has border security language. Releases

			remaining WSAs in Dona Ana Co.
S. 483 Murray (D-WA)	Wild Olympics	Subcommittee hearing held 22 August 2018.	Would designate 14 wildernesses totaling 126,554 acres in Olympic National Forest and designate 464 river miles across 19 rivers and major tributaries on the Olympic Peninsula as “Wild and Scenic Rivers.” Also designates 5,346 acres as Potential Wilderness. Has buffer zone language. <i>HR 1285 is companion.</i>
S. 507 Tester (D-MT)	Blackfoot Clearwater Stewardship Act	Referred to ENR Committee. Subcommittee hearing held on 7 Feb. 2018.	Would add 2 additions to Bob Marshall Wilderness totaling 47,206 acres, 1 addition to Mission Mtns W of 4,462 acres, and 1 addition to Scapegoat W of 27,392 acres. Requires access to private inholdings (apparently no exchange option); allows installation or maintenance of hydrological, meteorological, or climatological instrumentation in any wilderness addition; specifically allows commercial outfitter/guide activity (“may be authorized”); and has special provisions on buffers.
S. 590 Risch (R-ID)	Smith Gulch Bill	Passed ENR Committee 30 Mar 2017. S. Rept. 115-67.	Allows permanent maintenance and replacement of commercial recreation facilities at Smith Gulch on the wild Salmon River in the Frank Church-River of No Return Wilderness in ID. <i>HR 1482 is companion.</i> Also included in S. 1460.
S. 733 Murkowski (R-AK)	Sportsmen’s Act	Passed ENR Committee 30 Mar 2017.	Unclear of impacts on ban on commercial filming in Wilderness.
S. 820 Markey (D-MA)	Arctic Refuge Coastal Plain Wilderness Act	Referred to Environment and Public Works Committee	Would designate the 1.56 million-acre coastal plain of the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge in AK as wilderness. <i>HR 1889 is companion.</i>
S. 936 Whitehouse (D-NJ)	Northern Rockies Ecosystem Protection Act (NREPA)	Referred to ENR Committee	Would designate 23 million acres of Wilderness in Idaho, Montana, Oregon, Washington, and Wyoming, plus 1800 miles of wild and scenic river segments. <i>HR 2135 is companion.</i>

S. 948 Durbin (D-IL)	America's Red Rock Wilderness Act	Referred to ENR Committee	Would designate 9.2 million acres of wilderness in southern Utah. <i>HR 2044 is companion.</i>
S. 973 Alexander (R-TN)	Tennessee Wilderness Act	Passed full Senate as part of the Farm Bill on 28 June 2018.	Would designate and expand 9 Wildernesses on the Cherokee National Forest in Tennessee totaling 19,556 acres. <i>HR 2218 is companion, but not identical.</i>
S. 1046 Heller (R-NV)	Eastern Nevada Economic Development and Land Management Improvement Act	Subcommittee hearing held on 7 Feb. 2018.	Adjusts the boundaries of Mt. Moriah, High Schells, and Arc Dome Wildernesses in eastern NV. Reduces size of all 3 areas by abt. 44 acres in total. <i>HR 2374 is companion.</i>
S. 1460 Murkowski (R-AK)	Energy and Natural Resources Act	On General Orders on Senate floor.	Includes some other wilderness designation bills, incl. Cerro del Yuta and Rio San Antonio Wildernesses in NM (S. 432), additions to Cherokee NF Wildernesses in TN (S. 973), re-naming Lake Clark Wilderness as Jay S. Hammond Wilderness in AK (S. 213), naming Sky Point Mountain in CA. Also includes Senate Sportsmen's Act (but without wilderness-damaging provisions) (S. 733), filming on federal land, bolts ditch access (S. 285), and Smith Gulch bill, ID (S. 590).
S. 1548 Wyden (D-OR)	Oregon Wildlands Act	Subcommittee hearing held 26 July 2017.	Would expand Wild Rogue Wilderness by 56,100 acres and Devil's Staircase Wilderness by 30,540 acres, each addition containing both FS- and BLM-administered land. Contains typical buffer zone language. <i>HR 6484 designates Devil's Staircase Wilderness, though not a companion bill.</i>
S. 1757 Cornyn (R-TX)	Building America's Trust Act (Border Security)	On Senate General Orders, Calendar No. 208.	Would waive the 1964 Wilderness Act and 35 other federal laws for U.S. Customs and Border Protection within 100 miles of the southern and northern borders. <i>HR 3548 is related bill, but not exact companion.</i>
S. 1959 Harris (D-CA)	Central Coast Heritage Protection Act	Subcommittee hearing held on 22 August 2018.	Would designate 3 BLM Wildernesses totaling 61,536 acres and 9 Wildernesses on the Los Padres National Forest totaling 183,373 acres in CA as Wilderness. Contains buffer zone and military overflights language. Contains special horse language. Allows 2 existing water

			<p>transport/diversion facilities and 1 existing electricity line to continue in San Rafael Wilderness Additions. Authorizes the installation and maintenance of hydrologic, meteorologic, or climatological collection devices in the wilderness areas if the Secretary determines that the facilities and access to the facilities are essential to flood warning, flood control, or water reservoir operation activities. HR 4072 is companion.</p>
<p>S. 1975 Kaine (D-VA)</p>	<p>Virginia Wilderness Additions Act</p>	<p>Passed full Senate as part of Farm Bill on 28 June 2018.</p>	<p>Adds 1,000 acres to Rough Mtn Wilderness and 4,600 acres to Rich Hole Wilderness on George Washington NF in VA. Allows motorized equipment and mechanized transport in Rich Hole Addition for water quality improvement activities approved in a 2016 FS Decision Notice.</p>
<p>S. 2206 Daines (R-MT)</p>	<p>Protect Public Use of Public Lands Act</p>	<p>Subcommittee hearing held 7 Feb. 2018.</p>	<p>Would remove protection from 5 Wilderness Study Areas (WSAs) in MT on Forest Service-administered lands totaling 449,500 acres and open them to development. <i>HR 5148 is companion.</i></p>
<p>S. 2337 Bennett (D-CO)</p>	<p>Continental Divide Recreation, Wilderness, and Camp Hale Legacy Act</p>	<p>Referred to ENR Committee.</p>	<p>Amends 1993 Colorado Wilderness Act to designate 2 wilderness additions and 2 new Wildernesses on the White River National Forest totaling 26,162 acres. Also designates 8,192-acre Williams Fork Potential Wilderness. Includes typical buffer zone and military overflight special provisions. Deletes 15.5 acres of potential wilderness from Rocky Mountain National Park Wilderness. Includes Bolts Ditch Access language (S. 285) for Holy Cross Wilderness. <i>HR 4883 is companion.</i></p>
<p>HR 3354</p>	<p>Interior Appropriations</p>	<p>Was not included in Omnibus Appropriations bill in March 2018.</p>	<p>Sec. 430 of the Senate version is a rider that could open up long-vacant or retired grazing allotments inside Wilderness, with damage to natural resources and wilderness values. Did not make it into Omnibus Appropriations in March 2018.</p>

<p>S. 2721 Bennet (D-CO)</p>	<p>San Juan Mountains Wilderness Act</p>	<p>Subcommittee hearing held on 22 Aug. 2018.</p>	<p>Would designate 31,488 acres in San Juan Mountains in CO as Wilderness (19,747 acres added to Mount Sneffels Wilderness, 3,141 acres added to Lizard Head Wilderness, and a new McKenna Peak Wilderness of 8,600 acres). Bill also creates 21,600-acre Sheep Mtn Special Management Area and 6,000-acre Naturita Canyon Mineral Withdrawal Area. Has typical buffer zone special provision language.</p>
<p>S. 2809 Hatch (R-UT)</p>	<p>Emery County Public Land Management Act</p>	<p>Subcommittee hearing held 22 Aug. 2018.</p>	<p>Among other things, the bill designates 10 Wildernesses totaling 529,146 acres in Emery County, UT, 2 of which are FS land and 8 of BLM land. Contains many special provisions (buffer zones, military overflights, outfitters and guiding, “casual collection” of fossils and minerals, installation and maintenance of hydrologic, meteorologic, or climatological collection devices), and badly cherry-stemmed boundaries. Riddles the proposed Wildernesses with old RS 2477 road claims. HR 5727 is companion.</p>
<p>S. 2877 Lee (R-UT)</p>	<p>Mountain Bikes in Wilderness</p>	<p>Referred to ENR Committee</p>	<p>Would amend Wilderness Act to allow bikes and any other human-powered mechanical transit in every Wilderness in nation. Allows local officials of federal agencies 2 years to limit/prohibit human-powered mechanical transit, after which time the Wildernesses will automatically be opened to bikes and other human-powered mechanical transit if no determination had been made. HR 1349 is companion, but not identical.</p>
<p>S. 3397 (Heller (R-NV)</p>	<p>Douglas County Economic Development and Conservation Act</p>	<p>Referred to ENR Committee</p>	<p>Among other things, this bill would designate a 12,330-acre Burbank Canyons Wilderness on BLM-administered land. Has special provisions for buffer zones; use of existing airstrips within 5 miles; hydrologic, meteorologic, or climatological collection devices; water rights; motor vehicles and aircraft for wildlife; and releases rest of Burbank Canyon WSA. HR 6676 is companion.</p>