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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Mr. BISHOP of Utah introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on _____

A BILL

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

1 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

2 This Act may be cited as the “Restore Our Parks
3 and Public Lands Act”.

4 **SEC. 2. NATIONAL PARK SERVICE AND PUBLIC LANDS LEG-**
5 **ACY RESTORATION FUND.**

6 (a) IN GENERAL.—There is established in the Treas-
7 ury of the United States a fund, to be known as the “Na-
8 tional Park Service and Public Lands Legacy Restoration
9 Fund” (referred to in this section as the “Fund”).

10 (b) DEPOSITS.—

11 (1) IN GENERAL.—Except as provided in para-
12 graph (2), for each of fiscal years 2020 through
13 2024, there shall be deposited in the Fund an
14 amount equal to 50 percent of all energy develop-
15 ment revenues due and payable to the United States
16 from oil, gas, coal, or alternative or renewable en-
17 ergy development on Federal land and water that
18 would otherwise be credited, covered, or deposited as
19 miscellaneous receipts under Federal law.

20 (2) MAXIMUM AMOUNT.—The amount deposited
21 in the Fund under paragraph (1) shall not exceed
22 \$1,300,000,000 for any fiscal year.

23 (3) EFFECT ON OTHER REVENUES.—Nothing
24 in this section affects the disposition under Federal
25 law, including the Gulf of Mexico Energy Security
26 Act of 2006 (43 U.S.C. 1331 note; Public Law 109–

1 432), the Mineral Leasing Act (30 U.S.C. 181 et
2 seq.), and chapter 2003 of title 54, United States
3 Code, of energy development revenues—

4 (A) to special funds, trust funds, or States;

5 or

6 (B) that have been otherwise appropriated
7 under Federal law.

8 (c) AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS.—Amounts deposited in
9 the Fund shall be available to the Secretary of the Interior
10 without further appropriation or fiscal year limitation.

11 (d) INVESTMENT OF AMOUNTS.—

12 (1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of the Inte-
13 rior may request the Secretary of the Treasury to
14 invest any portion of the Fund that is not, as deter-
15 mined by the Secretary of the Interior, required to
16 meet the current needs of the Fund.

17 (2) REQUIREMENT.—An investment requested
18 under paragraph (1) shall be made by the Secretary
19 of the Treasury in a public debt security—

20 (A) with a maturity suitable to the needs
21 of the Fund, as determined by the Secretary of
22 the Interior; and

23 (B) bearing interest at a rate determined
24 by the Secretary of the Treasury, taking into
25 consideration current market yields on out-

1 standing marketable obligations of the United
2 States of comparable maturity.

3 (3) CREDITS TO FUND.—The income on invest-
4 ments of the Fund under this subsection shall be
5 credited to, and form a part of, the Fund.

6 (e) USE OF FUNDS.—Amounts in the Fund shall be
7 used as follows:

8 (1) 80 percent of amounts in the Fund shall be
9 allocated for priority deferred maintenance projects,
10 including other infrastructure deficiencies directly
11 related to such deferred maintenance projects, as de-
12 termined by the Secretary of the Interior and the
13 Director of the National Park Service, with the goal
14 of ensuring overall parity between amounts allocated
15 to transportation and non-transportation projects.

16 (2) 10 percent of amounts in the Fund shall be
17 allocated for purposes of addressing the national
18 wildlife refuge system maintenance backlog, as de-
19 termined by the Secretary of the Interior and the
20 Director of the United States Fish and Wildlife
21 Service.

22 (3) 5 percent of amounts in the Fund shall be
23 allocated for the purposes of addressing the public
24 access and recreation backlog on public lands, as de-

1 terminated by the Secretary of the Interior and the
2 Director of the Bureau of Land Management.

3 (4) 5 percent of amounts in the Fund shall be
4 for the purposes of addressing the Bureau of Indian
5 Education school construction and deferred mainte-
6 nance backlogs, as determined by the Secretary of
7 the Interior and the Director of the Bureau of In-
8 dian Education.

9 (f) LIMIT ON USE OF FUNDS.—No more than 10 per-
10 cent of the amounts in the Fund may be used for adminis-
11 trative costs incurred in implementing this Act.

12 (g) PROHIBITED USE OF FUNDS.—No amounts in
13 the Fund shall be used—

14 (1) for land acquisition;

15 (2) to supplant discretionary funding made
16 available for the annually recurring facility oper-
17 ations, maintenance, and construction needs of the
18 entities for which amounts from the Fund are allo-
19 cated under subsection (e); or

20 (3) for performance awards for Federal employ-
21 ees who are employed in implementing this Act.

22 (h) SUBMISSION TO CONGRESS.—The Secretary of
23 the Interior shall submit to the Committees on Appropria-
24 tions and Energy and Natural Resources of the Senate
25 and to the Committees on Appropriations and Natural Re-

1 sources in the House of Representatives, with the annual
2 budget submission of the President, a list of projects for
3 which the amounts in the Fund are allocated under this
4 section, including a description of each such project.

5 (i) PUBLIC DONATIONS.—

6 (1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of the Inte-
7 rior, the Director of the National Park Service, the
8 Director of the United States Fish and Wildlife
9 Service, the Director of the Bureau of Land Man-
10 agement, and the Assistant Secretary of Indian Af-
11 fairs may accept public cash or in-kind donations
12 that advance efforts—

13 (A) to reduce the deferred maintenance
14 backlog of the National Park Service, the na-
15 tional wildlife refuge system maintenance back-
16 log of the United States Fish and Wildlife Serv-
17 ice, the public access and recreation backlog of
18 the Bureau of Land Management, and the
19 school construction backlog of the Bureau of
20 Indian Education, respectively; and

21 (B) to encourage relevant public-private
22 partnerships.

23 (2) CREDITS TO FUND.—Any cash donations
24 accepted under paragraph (1) shall be credited to,
25 and form a part of, the Fund.

1 (3) REPORTING.—Each donation received under
2 paragraph (1) that is used for, or directly related to,
3 the reduction of the deferred maintenance backlog of
4 the National Park Service, the national wildlife ref-
5 uge system maintenance backlog of the United
6 States Fish and Wildlife Service, the public access
7 and recreation backlog of the Bureau of Land Man-
8 agement, and the school construction backlog of the
9 Bureau of Indian Education, shall be included with
10 the annual budget submission of the President to
11 Congress.