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1 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE; TABLE OF CONTENTS.**

2 (a) SHORT TITLE. This Act may be cited as the “Central Wasatch National Conservation
3 and Recreation Area Act”.

4 (b) TABLE OF CONTENTS.—The table of contents of this Act is as follows:

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14 **SECTION 2. DEFINITIONS.**

15 (a) DEFINITIONS.—In this Act:

16 (1) CONSERVATION AND RECREATION AREA.—The term “Conservation and
17 Recreation Area” means the Central Wasatch National Conservation and
18 Recreation Area established by section 3(a).

19 (2) FOREST PLAN.—The term “forest plan” means the Revised Forest Plan: Wasatch-
20 Cache National Forest, dated February 2003, as amended.

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1 (3) MANAGEMENT PLAN.—The term “management plan” means the management
2 plan for the Central Wasatch National Conservation and Recreation Area
3 developed under section 3(c).

4 (4) CONSERVATION AND RECREATION AREA MAP.—The term “Conservation and
5 Recreation Area map” means the map entitled “Proposed Central Wasatch
6 National Conservation and Recreation Area Map” and dated ____.

7 (5) MOUNTAIN ACCORD.—The term “Mountain Accord” means the Mountain
8 Accord agreement dated July 13, 2015.

9 (6) SECRETARY.—The term “Secretary” means the Secretary of Agriculture.

10 (7) STATE.—The term “State” means the State of Utah.

11 **SECTION 3. CENTRAL WASATCH NATIONAL CONSERVATION AND**
12 **RECREATION AREA.**

13 (a) ESTABLISHMENT.—

14 (1) IN GENERAL.—Subject to valid existing rights, there is established the Central
15 Wasatch National Conservation and Recreation Area in the State.

16 (2) AREA INCLUDED.—The Conservation and Recreation Area shall be comprised of
17 approximately 79,109 acres of Federal land in the Wasatch-Cache National
18 Forest as generally depicted on the Conservation and Recreation Area map as
19 “Central Wasatch National Conservation and Recreation Area”.

20 (b) PURPOSES.—The purposes of the Conservation and Recreation Area are to—

21 (1) conserve and protect the ecological, natural, scenic, wilderness (within wilderness
22 areas), cultural, historical, geological, and wildlife values within the Conservation
23 and Recreation Area;

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- 1 (2) protect, enhance, and restore the water quality and watershed resources in the
2 Conservation and Recreation Area;
- 3 (3) facilitate a balanced, year-round recreation system with a wide variety of
4 opportunities for residents and visitors; and
- 5 (4) facilitate and accommodate improved access to the Conservation and Recreation
6 Area for a growing number of users.

7 (c) **MANAGEMENT PLAN.**—

8 (1) **IN GENERAL.**—Not later than 3 years after the date of enactment of this Act and
9 in accordance with this subsection, the Secretary shall develop a comprehensive
10 plan for the long-term management of the Conservation and Recreation Area.

11 (2) **CONSULTATION.**—In developing the management plan required under paragraph
12 (1), the Secretary shall consult with—

- 13 (A) appropriate State, tribal, and local governmental entities; and
14 (B) the public.

15 (3) **INCORPORATION OF PLANS.**—In developing the management plan required under
16 paragraph (1), to the extent consistent with this Act, the Secretary may
17 incorporate any provision of—

- 18 (A) the forest plan;
19 (B) Mountain Accord; and
20 (C) local plans.

21 (4) **MANAGEMENT PLAN GUIDELINES.**—The Management Plan shall—

- 22 (A) conserve, protect, and enhance the resources of the Conservation and
23 Recreation Area;

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- 1 (B) ensure protection of water quality and watershed resources;
- 2 (C) ensure protection of environmentally sensitive areas, including evaluating
- 3 these areas for special designations such as Albion Basin Special
- 4 Botanical Area;
- 5 (D) not allow ski area permit boundary expansion on Federal land beyond
- 6 what is described in section 6(a)(10) and as depicted on the Conservation
- 7 and Recreation Area map;
- 8 (E) provide for adaptive management of resources and restoration of
- 9 damaged resources;
- 10 (F) promote public safety, including avalanche control;
- 11 (G) facilitate year-round, outdoor recreation;
- 12 (H) not allow lifts or people movers for the purpose of skiing outside of ski
- 13 area permit boundaries as depicted on the map or outside the
- 14 transportation corridors established in section 6(a)(8)(B); and
- 15 (I) provide access to the Conservation and Recreation Area for residents,
- 16 visitors, and businesses.

17 (d) MANAGEMENT.—

18 (1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary shall manage the Conservation and Recreation

19 Area—

20 (A) consistent with the management plan; and

21 (B) in accordance with—

22 (i) the laws (including regulations) and rules applicable to the

23 National Forest System; and

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1 (ii) this Act.

2 (2) USES.—The Secretary shall only allow uses of the Conservation and Recreation
3 Area that the Secretary determines would further the purposes described in
4 subsection (b).

5 (3) PERMITTED AND LICENSED ACTIVITIES.—

6 (A) IN GENERAL.—Nothing in this Act affects existing permits or licensed
7 activities authorized as of the date of enactment of this Act.

8 (B) PROCESS.—Nothing in this Act affects the process by which activities
9 authorized by permit or license as of the date of enactment of this Act
10 may be authorized or reauthorized.

11 (e) EFFECT.

12 (1) IN GENERAL.—The establishment of the Conservation and Recreation Area shall
13 not change the management status of any area within the boundary of the
14 Conservation and Recreation Area that is—

15 (A) a wilderness area;

16 (B) the White Pine Special Management Area; or

17 (C) ski area special use permit for Alta, Brighton, Snowbird, and Solitude.

18 (2) CONFLICT OF LAWS.—If there is a conflict between the laws applicable to the
19 areas described in paragraph (1) and this subtitle, the more restrictive provisions
20 shall control.

21 **SECTION 4. WILDERNESS.**

22 (a) MOUNT OLYMPUS WILDERNESS BOUNDARY ADJUSTMENT.—Section 102(a) of the Utah
23 Wilderness Act of 1984 (Public Law 98-428; 98 Stat. 1658; 16 U.S.C. 1132 note) is

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1 amended in paragraph (3), as generally depicted on the Conservation and Recreation
2 Area map, by—

3 (1) striking “sixteen thousand acres” and inserting “fifteen thousand eight hundred
4 and eighty-three acres acres”; and

5 (2) striking “, dated August 1984” and inserting “and dated ___”.

6 (b) TWIN PEAKS WILDERNESS BOUNDARY ADJUSTMENT.—Section 102(a) of the Utah
7 Wilderness Act of 1984 (Public Law 98-428; 98 Stat. 1658; 16 U.S.C. 1132 note) is
8 amended in paragraph (4), as generally depicted on the Conservation and Recreation
9 Area map, by—

10 (1) striking “thirteen thousand one hundred acres” and inserting “thirteen thousand
11 and ninety-eight acres”; and

12 (2) striking “, dated June 1984” and inserting “and dated ___”.

13 (c) LONE PEAK WILDERNESS ADDITION AND BOUNDARY ADJUSTMENT.— Section 2(i) of the
14 Endangered American Wilderness Act of 1978 (P.L. 95-237; 92 Stat. 42; 16 U.S.C. 1132
15 note) is amended, as generally depicted on the Conservation and Recreation Area map,
16 by—

17 (1) striking “twenty-nine thousand five hundred and sixty-seven acres and inserting
18 “thirty-two thousand one hundred and thirty acres”; and

19 (2) inserting “and dated ___” after “on a map entitled ‘Lone Peak Wilderness—
20 Proposed’”.

21 (d) GRANDEUR PEAK - MOUNT AIRE WILDERNESS.— Section 102(a) of the Utah Wilderness
22 Act of 1984 (Public Law 98-428; 98 Stat. 1657; 16 U.S.C. 1132 note) is amended by—

23 (1) striking “and” from the end of paragraph 11;

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- 1 (2) striking the period at the end of paragraph 12 and inserting “; and”; and
- 2 (3) adding at the end the following: “(13) certain land in the Uinta-Wasatch-Cache
- 3 National Forest comprising approximately 6,158 acres, as generally depicted on
- 4 the map entitled ‘Proposed Central Wasatch National Conservation and
- 5 Recreation Area Map’ and dated ____, which shall be known as the Grandeur
- 6 Peak – Mount Aire Wilderness.”

7 **SECTION 5. WHITE PINE SPECIAL MANAGEMENT AREA.**

8 (a) DESIGNATION.—Subject to valid existing rights, certain Federal land in the Wasatch-

9 Cache National Forest comprising approximately 1,800 acres, as generally depicted on

10 the Conservation and Recreation Area map, is designated the White Pine Special

11 Management Area (referred to in this section as the “special management area”).

12 (b) MANAGEMENT.—

13 (1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary shall manage the special management area

14 established by subsection (a) to maintain the natural state of the special

15 management area.

16 (2) MECHANIZED OR MOTORIZED VEHICLES.—

17 (A) IN GENERAL.—Except as provided in subparagraph (B) and the landing of

18 helicopters, the use of motorized and mechanized vehicles is prohibited in

19 the special management area.

20 (B) EXCEPTION.—Nothing in subparagraph (A) prevents the Secretary from—

21 (i) authorizing the use of motorized vehicles and equipment for

22 administrative purposes; or

23 (ii) responding to an emergency.

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1 within the boundary of the Conservation and Recreation Area access to
2 their property.

3 (3) **MOTORIZED AND MECHANIZED VEHICLES.—**

4 (A) **IN GENERAL.—**Except as provided in subparagraph (C), the use of
5 motorized and mechanized vehicles in the Conservation and Recreation
6 Area shall be permitted only on roads, trails, and areas designated for use
7 by such vehicles by the management plan.

8 (B) **NEW OR TEMPORARY ROADS.—**Except as provided in subparagraph (C),
9 paragraph (2)(B), and paragraph (8), no new or temporary roads shall be
10 constructed within the Conservation and Recreation Area.

11 (C) **EXCEPTION.—**Nothing in subparagraph (A) or (B) prevents the Secretary
12 from—

13 (i) authorizing roads or the use of motorized vehicles for
14 administrative purposes; or

15 (ii) responding to an emergency.

16 (4) **WITHDRAWAL.—**Subject to valid existing rights, all Federal land located in the
17 Conservation and Recreation Area is withdrawn from—

18 (A) all forms of entry, appropriation, and disposal under the public land laws;

19 (B) location, entry, and patenting under the mining laws; and

20 (C) disposition under the mineral leasing, mineral materials, and geothermal
21 leasing laws.

22 (5) **ACQUISITION OF LAND.—**

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1 (A) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary may acquire land or interests in land within
2 the boundary of the Conservation and Recreation Area only through
3 exchange, donation, or purchase from a willing seller. The Secretary may
4 not acquire any land by condemnation.

5 (B) INCORPORATION OF ACQUIRED LAND AND INTERESTS.—Any land or
6 interest in land that is located in the Conservation and Recreation Area
7 that is acquired by the United States shall—

8 (i) become part of the Conservation and Recreation Area;

9 (ii) be managed in accordance with—

10 (I) the management plan;

11 (II) the laws and rules applicable to the National Forest

12 System; and

13 (III) this Act; and

14 (iii) be withdrawn according to paragraph (4) on the date of
15 acquisition of the land.

16 (6) VEGETATION MANAGEMENT.—Nothing in this Act prohibits the Secretary from
17 conducting vegetation management projects within the Conservation and
18 Recreation Area —

19 (A) subject to—

20 (i) such reasonable regulations, policies, and practices as the
21 Secretary determines appropriate; and

22 (ii) all applicable laws (including regulations); and

23 (B) in a manner consistent with the purposes described in section 3(b).

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1 (7) WILDLAND FIRE.—Nothing in this section prohibits the Secretary, in cooperation
2 with other Federal, State, and local agencies, as appropriate, from conducting
3 wildland fire operations in the Conservation and Recreation Area, including but
4 not limited to operations using aircraft or mechanized equipment.

5 (8) TRANSPORTATION.—

6 (A) GENERAL.—This paragraph provides for future transportation
7 infrastructure, including but not limited to roadway improvements, public
8 transportation, bus stops, stations, and public amenities, such as
9 restrooms, trails, trailheads, bike lanes, and pedestrian infrastructure,
10 within the Conservation and Recreation Area that are in accordance
11 with—

12 (i) the management plan;

13 (ii) all applicable laws; and

14 (iii) the purposes described in section 3(b) of this Act.

15 (B) CORRIDORS.—Transportation corridors are reserved consistent with 23
16 C.F.R. § 774(11)(i) and 49 U.S.C. § 5323(q) within the easements, rights-
17 of-way, and areas of established use (including cut and fill slopes) on
18 Little Cottonwood Canyon Road (State Road 210) and Big Cottonwood
19 Canyon Road (State Road 190).

20 (i) ADJUSTMENTS.—Adjustments to the corridors may be made

21 through a public engagement process in accordance with the

22 National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (42 U.S.C. §4321 et

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1 (iii) add to the Utah Department of Transportation’s permitting
2 process for maintenance or improvement of any existing
3 transportation facilities; or

4 (iv) affect existing or future appropriations authorized by 23 U.S.C. §
5 107(d), 204(f), and 317.

6 (9) AVALANCHE CONTROL.—The Secretary shall allow access and avalanche control
7 devices, excluding ski lifts, to be installed and maintained within or adjacent to
8 the Conservation and Recreation Area to protect public health and property and
9 in accordance with the management plan.

10 (10) SKI AREA PERMIT BOUNDARIES.— Ski area permit boundary expansion is
11 precluded on Federal land within the Conservation and Recreation Area beyond
12 what is described below and as depicted on the Conservation and Recreation
13 Area map.

14 (A) PERMANENT BOUNDARIES.— Resort Area Permit Boundaries on Federal
15 land within the Conservation and Recreation Area as depicted on the
16 Conservation and Recreation Area as “Resort Area Boundary,
17 Permanent” map shall be permanent as of the date of enactment of this
18 Act.

19 (B) BRIGHTON.— If a realignment of the Brighton Resort Area Permit
20 Boundary is proposed within the “Resort Boundary Adjustment Area” as
21 depicted on the Conservation and Recreation Area map, the proposed
22 realignment is subject to the permitting process as of the date of
23 enactment of this Act. After completion of the full permitting process and

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1 permit approval by the U.S. Forest Service, the Brighton Resort Area
2 Boundary shall be permanent.

3 (C) SOLITUDE.— If a realignment of the Solitude Resort Area Permit
4 Boundary is proposed within the Solitude “Resort Boundary Adjustment
5 Area” as depicted on the Conservation and Recreation Area map, the
6 proposed realignment is subject to the permitting process as of the date of
7 enactment of this Act. After completion of the full permitting process and
8 permit approval by the U.S. Forest Service, the Resort Area Boundary
9 shall be permanent.

10 (D) ALTA.—

11 (i) If a realignment of the Alta Resort Area Permit Boundary is
12 proposed on the “Resort Area Boundary, Subject to Permitting
13 Process” as depicted on the Conservation and Recreation Area
14 map, the proposed realignment is subject to the permitting process
15 as of the date of enactment of this Act. After completion of the
16 full permitting process and permit approval by the U.S. Forest
17 Service, the Alta Resort Area Boundary shall be permanent. The
18 Secretary may restrict resort skier access beyond the realigned
19 Alta Resort Area Boundary.

20 (ii) If the Alta Ski Lifts Company conveys the non-Federal land to the
21 United States in exchange for the Federal land as described in
22 Section 7 of this Act and as identified on the map entitled
23 “Preliminary Conceptual Map for Proposed Land Exchange

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1 between The U.S. Forest Service and certain Utah Ski Areas”, the
2 Alta Resort Area Boundary as of the date the land exchange is
3 completed shall be permanent and any future Alta Resort Area
4 Boundary realignment shall be precluded. The land exchange may
5 be completed in multiple phases.

6 (11) FACILITIES.—

7 (A) DEFINITION.—In this subsection, the term “facility” means authorized
8 facilities, such as water resource, water treatment, flood control, utility,
9 pipeline, or telecommunications facilities.

10 (B) EXISTING FACILITIES.—Nothing in this section affects the operation or
11 maintenance of an existing facility located within the Conservation and
12 Recreation Area.

13 (C) EXPANSION AND NEW FACILITIES.—Nothing in this section prohibits the
14 Secretary from authorizing the expansion of an existing facility or the
15 construction of a new facility within the Conservation and Recreation
16 Area subject to—

- 17 (i) the management plan;
- 18 (ii) all applicable laws; and
- 19 (iii) in a manner consistent with the purposes described in section 3(b).

20 (12) WATER RIGHTS.—

21 (A) DEFINITION.—In this subsection, the term “water resource facility” means
22 irrigation and pumping facilities, reservoirs, water conservation works,
23 aqueducts, canals, ditches, pipelines, wells, hydropower projects,

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1 transmission, and other facilities ancillary thereto, and other water
2 diversion, storage, and carriage structures.

3 (B) EFFECT OF ACT.—Nothing in this Act—

4 (i) shall constitute either an express or implied reservation by the
5 United States of any water or water rights with respect to the
6 Conservation and Recreation Area;

7 (ii) affect any water rights in the State existing on the date of
8 enactment of this Act, including any water rights held by the
9 United States; or

10 (iii) establish a precedent with regard to any future Conservation and
11 Recreation Area designations.

12 (C) UTAH WATER LAW.—The Secretary shall follow the procedural and
13 substantive requirements of State law to obtain and hold any water rights
14 not in existence on the date of the enactment of this Act with respect to
15 the Conservation and Recreation Area.

16 (D) EXISTING WATER INFRASTRUCTURE.—Nothing in this Act shall be
17 construed to limit motorized access and road maintenance by local
18 municipalities, water districts, or utilities for those maintenance activities
19 necessary to guarantee the continued viability of water resource facilities
20 that currently exist or which may be necessary in the future to prevent the
21 degradation of the water supply in the Conservation and Recreation Area
22 designated by this Act.

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1 Land Exchange between The U.S. Forest Service and certain Utah
2 Ski Areas.”

3 (iii) Private land owned by Brighton Mountain Resort identified as
4 “Private Land To be Evaluated for Public Ownership - From
5 Brighton” on the map entitled “Preliminary Conceptual Map for
6 Proposed Land Exchange between The U.S. Forest Service and
7 certain Utah Ski Areas.”

8 (iv) Private land owned by Solitude Mountain Resort identified as
9 “Private Land To be Evaluated for Public Ownership - From
10 Solitude” on the map entitled “Preliminary Conceptual Map for
11 Proposed Land Exchange between The U.S. Forest Service and
12 certain Utah Ski Areas.”

13 (C) SKI RESORTS.—The term “ski resorts” means Snowbird Ski and Summer
14 Resort, Alta Ski Lifts Company, Brighton Mountain Resort, and Solitude
15 Mountain Resort, respectively.

16 (2) MAP; LEGAL DESCRIPTION.—

17 (A) ADJUSTMENTS.—The Secretary and the ski resorts may, by mutual
18 agreement, correct minor or typographical errors in any maps, acreage
19 estimate, or description of any land to be exchanged under this Act.

20 (B) MAP AVAILABILITY.—The maps depicting the Federal and non-Federal
21 lands to be exchanged under this Act shall be available for public
22 inspection in the Office of the Supervisor, Wasatch-Cache National
23 Forest and Office of the Regional Forester, Intermountain Region.

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1 (3) CONVEYANCE OF LAND.—Subject to the provisions of this subsection, if the ski
2 resorts offer to convey to the United States all right, title, and interest of the ski
3 resorts in and to the non-Federal land, the Secretary shall evaluate the non-
4 Federal lands and Federal lands and initiate a public engagement process.
5 Pending the public engagement process, the Secretary shall convey to the ski
6 resorts all right, title, and interest of the United States in and to the Federal land,
7 subject to valid existing rights and these will be reiterated in the conveyance
8 deed.

9 (4) CONDITIONS ON ACCEPTANCE.—

10 (A) TITLE.—As a condition of the land exchange under this subsection, title
11 to the non-Federal land to be acquired by the Secretary under this
12 subsection shall be acceptable to the Secretary based on Department of
13 Justice Title Standards.

14 (B) TERMS AND CONDITIONS.—The conveyance of the Federal land and non-
15 Federal land shall be subject to—

16 (i) all applicable laws, including the National Environmental Policy
17 Act of 1969 (42 U.S.C. §4321 et seq.) and section 206 of the
18 Federal Land Policy Act of 1976 (43 U.S.C. §1716); and

19 (ii) such terms and conditions as the Secretary may require.

20 (C) PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT PROCESS.—As part of the public engagement
21 process, existing private and public access to and uses of the land
22 involved in the exchange shall be evaluated.

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1 (D) ALTA EXCHANGE.— If Alta Ski Lifts Company offers to convey non-
2 Federal land to the United States in exchange for Federal land within the
3 Town of Alta under this section, the exchange shall be accompanied by a
4 commitment from Alta Ski Lifts Company to work with the Town of
5 Alta, existing base area property owners, and the public to maintain
6 access to public lands for ski area use, trails, business operations, parking,
7 and other existing private uses, even if the resort and transit facilities are
8 reconfigured.

9 (5) APPRAISALS.—

10 (A) IN GENERAL.—As soon as practicable after the date of enactment of this
11 Act, the Secretary and the ski resorts shall select an appraiser to conduct
12 an appraisal of the Federal land and non-Federal land.

13 (B) REQUIREMENTS.—An appraisal under subparagraph (A) shall be
14 conducted in accordance with nationally recognized appraisal standards,
15 including—

16 (i) The Uniform Appraisal Standards for Federal Land Acquisitions;

17 and

18 (ii) The Uniform Standards of Professional Appraisal Practice.

19 (C) COSTS.—The responsibility for the costs of appraisal and any associated
20 administrative costs of appraisal conducted under subparagraph (B) for
21 purposes of carrying out the land exchange shall be covered by the ski
22 resorts.

23 (6) SURVEYS AND TITLE WORK.—

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1 (A) IN GENERAL.— As soon as practicable after the date of enactment of this
2 Act, the Secretary and the ski resorts shall select surveyors to conduct
3 surveys of the Federal land and non-Federal land.

4 (B) REQUIREMENTS. The exact acreage and legal description of the Federal
5 land and non-Federal land shall be determined by boundary surveys of the
6 lands to be exchanged. The boundaries will be surveyed and
7 monumented as required by the Secretary.

8 (C) COSTS.—The responsibility for the costs of any surveys conducted under
9 subparagraph (A), any title work including but not limited to any
10 abstracts, title reports, escrow or closing fees, deed preparation,
11 preparation of NEPA documents, and any other administrative costs of
12 carrying out the land exchange, shall be covered by the ski resorts.

13 (7) VALUATION AND EQUALIZATION.—

14 (A) IN GENERAL.—The value of the Federal land and non-Federal land to be
15 exchanged under this subsection—

16 (i) shall be equal, as determined by appraisals conducted in
17 accordance with paragraph (5); or

18 (ii) if not equal, may be equalized by a cash equalization payment in
19 the manner provided in section 206(b) of the Federal Land Policy
20 and Management Act of 1976 (43 U.S.C. 1716(b)); or

21 (iii) if not equal, the acreage of the Federal land or the non-Federal
22 land may be reduced to achieve equalization, as appropriate.

23 (8) DISPOSITION OF PROCEEDS.—

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1 (A) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary shall deposit in the fund established under
2 Public Law 90-171 (commonly known as the Sisk Act; 16 U.S.C. 484a)
3 any amount received by the Secretary as the result of any cash
4 equalization payment made under subparagraph (6)(A)(ii).

5 (B) USE OF PROCEEDS.—Amounts deposited under subparagraph (A) shall be
6 available to the Secretary, without further appropriation and until
7 expended, for the acquisition of lands and interests in lands in the
8 Conservation and Recreation Area.

9 (9) REVOCATION OF ORDERS; WITHDRAWAL.—

10 (A) REVOCATION OF ORDERS.—Any public order withdrawing the Federal
11 land from entry, appropriation, or disposal under the public land laws is
12 revoked to the extent necessary to permit the conveyance of the Federal
13 land to the ski resorts.

14 (B) WITHDRAWAL.—On the date of enactment of this Act, if not already
15 withdrawn or segregated from entry and appropriation under the public
16 land laws (including the mining and mineral leasing laws) and the
17 Geothermal Steam Act of 1970 (30 U.S.C. 1001 et seq.), the Federal land
18 is withdrawn until the date of the conveyance of the Federal land to the
19 ski resorts.

20 (10) HAZARDOUS MATERIALS.—

21 (A) IN GENERAL.—In any conveyance of land under this Act, the Secretary
22 shall meet disclosure requirements for hazardous substances, pollutants,
23 or contaminants, but shall otherwise not be required to remediate or abate

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1 such substances. Furthermore, any party described in subparagraph
2 (1)(C), which acquires property conveyed under this Act must agree to
3 indemnify and hold harmless the United States for any costs associated
4 with remediating or abating any hazardous substances, pollutants, or
5 contaminants located on, or being released from, the land conveyed under
6 this Act, and restore any injured or lost natural resources.

7 (B) ENVIRONMENTAL SITE ASSESSMENT.—The Secretary and, as a condition
8 of the exchange, the State, shall make available for review and inspection
9 any record relating to hazardous materials on the land to be exchanged
10 under this Act. Prior to the conveyance of federal or non-federal lands,
11 the ski resorts shall conduct an Environmental Site Assessment of the
12 lands proposed for conveyance, that meets the requirements set forth in
13 ASTM E1527-13, for both land to be conveyed to or from the United
14 States, and provide such reports to the Secretary.

15 (C) COSTS.—The costs of any response action or restoration of injured natural
16 resource relating to hazardous materials on land acquired under this Act
17 shall be paid by those entities listed in subparagraph (1)(C). No claim
18 shall be made against the United States by any party listed in
19 subparagraph (1)(C) for any costs associated with the land conveyed
20 under this Act.

21 (D) FEDERAL PARCELS.—Notwithstanding 42 U.S.C. 9601 et seq, the
22 Secretary is only required to comply with the requirements set forth in 42
23 U.S.C. 9620(h)(1), but not otherwise required to comply with any other

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1 provisions of 42 U.S.C. 9620(h) for land conveyed to a party listed in
2 subparagraph (1)(C).

3 (11) DEADLINE FOR COMPLETION OF LAND EXCHANGE.—It is the intent of Congress
4 that the land exchange under this subsection shall be completed not later than 36
5 months after the date the proposal from the non-Federal party is accepted by the
6 Secretary.

7 **SECTION 8. MAPS AND LEGAL DESCRIPTIONS.**

8 (a) IN GENERAL.—As soon as practicable after the date of enactment of this Act, the
9 Secretary shall prepare a map and legal description of the Conservation and Recreation
10 Area, wilderness and wilderness additions, and White Pine Special Management Area.

11 (b) LEGAL EFFECT.—The maps and legal descriptions prepared under subsection (a) shall
12 have the same force and effect as if included in this section, except that the Secretary
13 may correct minor or typographical errors in the map and legal description.

14 (c) AVAILABILITY OF MAP AND LEGAL DESCRIPTION.—The maps and legal descriptions
15 prepared under subsection (a) shall be on file and available for public inspection in the
16 appropriate offices of the Forest Service.