CONFERENCE REPORT AND EXPLANATORY MATERIAL STATEMENT ON H.J. RES. 31, FURTHER CONTINUING APPROPRIATIONS FOR DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY, 2019, SUBMITTED BY MRS. LOWEY, CHAIRWOMAN OF THE HOUSE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

CONFERENCE REPORT (H. REP. 116-9)

The committee of conference on the disagreeing votes of the two Houses on the amendment of the Senate to the joint resolution (H.J. Res. 31), making further continuing appropriations for the Department of Homeland Security for fiscal year 2019, and for other purposes, having met, after full and free conference, have agreed to recommend and do recommend to their respective Houses as follows:

That the House recede from its disagreement to the amendment of the Senate and agree to the same with an amendment as follows:

In lieu of the matter proposed to be inserted by the Senate amendment, insert the following:

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE. This Act may be cited as the "Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2019".

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SEC. 3. REFERENCES TO ACT.

Except as expressly provided otherwise, any reference to "this Act" contained in any division of this Act shall be treated as referring only to the provisions of that division.

SEC. 4. STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATIONS.

The following sums in this Act are appropriated, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2019.

SEC. 5. AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS.

Each amount designated in this Act by the Congress for Overseas Contingency Operations/Global War on Terrorism pursuant to section 251(h)(2)(A)(II) of the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985 shall be available (or rescinded, if applicable) only if the President subsequently designates all such amounts and transmits such designations to Congress.

SEC. 6. ADJUSTMENTS TO COMPENSATION.

For a payment to Joe Anne Jones, widow of Walter B. Jones Jr., late a Representative from North Carolina, $74,000.

SEC. 7. TECHNICAL CORRECTION.

Division O of the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2018 (Public Law 115-141) is amended—

(i) in the heading, by inserting "Stephen Sepp" before "Wildfire"; and

(ii) by amending section 101 to read as follows:

"SEC. 101. SHORT TITLE.

"(a) Short Title.—This division may be cited as the "Stephen Sepp Wildfire Suppression Funding and Forest Management Activities Act".

"(b) References.—A reference to the Wildfire Suppression Funding and Forest Management Activities Act, including a reference in a regulation, order, or other law, is deemed to refer to the Stephen Sepp Wildfire Suppression Funding and Forest Management Activities Act."
February 13, 2019

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Legacy Roads and Trails.—While these projects are to be addressed as they rank in priority along with other infrastructure needs, the Service is directed to continue to track Legacy Roads and Trails accomplishments, including miles of roads and trails improved, miles of streams restored, number of bridges and culverts constructed, and miles of road decommissioned.

Requested Reports.—The Conferences request a report regarding options to improve parking and access to the Cleveland National Forest within 180 days of enactment of this Act. The Service should consult with the State of California, communities surrounding the forest, and private partners for their input and recommendations. The Conferences also request a report on efforts to address road construction and maintenance issues in the Uwharrie National Forest within 30 days of enactment of this Act.

Comprehensive Capital Improvement Plan.—The Service is reminded of the directive included in the Appropriations Act accompanying P.L. 115-141 that required the development of a long-term, multi-year plan to guide needed investments in buildings, facilities, transportation systems, and other infrastructure by December 30, 2018. The Conferences look forward to reviewing the plan and expect the Service to submit the plan in time to facilitate the development of future budget requests. The annual budget justification documents should detail the amount required for new construction, maintenance, decommissioning, and other activities for the Facilities, Roads, and Trails programs.

LAND ACQUISITION

The agreement provides $72,561,000 for Land Acquisition. The following table indicates projects covered by this bill for projects are shown in the table below, listed in priority order pursuant to the ranking list in the Conferences for fiscal year 2019. The agreement supports the continuation of Forest Service and nonprofit partner efforts to resolve Superior National Forest school trust land management using the private-forestland alternative. Further instructions are contained under the Land and Water Conservation Fund heading in the front of this explanatory statement.

ACQUISITION OF LANDS FOR NATIONAL FORESTS

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

ACQUISITION OF LANDS TO COMPLETE LAND EXCHANGE

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

RANGE BETTERMENT FUND

The agreement provides $1,700,000 for the Range Betterment Fund.

GIPTS, DONATIONS AND REQUESTS FOR FOREST AND RANGELAND RESEARCH

The agreement provides $15,000 for Gifts, Donations and Requests for Forest and Rangeland Research.

MANAGEMENT OF NATIONAL FOREST LANDS FOR SUBSISTENCE USES

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

WILDLAND FIRE MANAGEMENT

The agreement provides a total of $3,094,986,000 for Forest Service Wildland Fire Management, of the funds provided, $2,663,398,000 is for suppression operations, which includes an additional $500,000,000 above the 10-year average.

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

INDIAN HEALTH SERVICE

The bill provides a total of $5,804,223,000 for the Indian Health Service (IHS), of which $4,103,190,000 is for the Services account as detailed below. All programs, projects, and activities are maintained at fiscal year 2018 enacted levels unless otherwise specified below. The Service is expected to comply with the instructions and requirements at the beginning of this division in and House Report 115-785 and Senate Report 115-276, unless otherwise specified below. Additional details, instructions, and requirements follow below and in the table at the end of this division.

Drug Abuse, Alcohol and Substance Abuse.—The agreement provides $26,596,000 for alcohol and substance abuse programs and includes $6,500,000 for the Generation Indigenous Initiative; $1,800,000 for the youth pilot project; and $2,800,000 to fund essential detoxification and related services provided by the Service’s public and private partners to IHS beneficiaries. The Conferences expect the Service to continue its partnership with the Navajo Health and Human Services Institute Center in Gallup, New Mexico, as directed by the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2017, and to distribute funding established for detoxification services in the same manner as in fiscal year 2017. The Conferences believe that Service and Tribally operated facility participation in state prescription drug monitoring programs can help to combat the abuse of drugs like opioids and direct the agency to provide the report required by Senate Report 115-785 on this issue.

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