

Bill title: Big Sur Forest Service Management Unit Act

Bill number: to be introduced soon for the 112th Congress - [draft bill](#)

Date introduced: to be announced

Status: to be announced

Summary: This legislation makes a series of structural changes designed to improve the management of Los Padres National Forest's (LPNF) Monterey Ranger District.

These changes include:

- Reorganize the Monterey Ranger District into a Management Unit to be known as the Big Sur Management Unit.
- Direct the Forest Service to develop a wildfire management strategy tailored to the new Big Sur Management Unit. The ongoing "Firescape" Process would fulfill this requirement.
- Revise the Forest Service boundaries of the new Big Sur Management Unit to more closely match the boundary with actual federal ownership and remove the Big Sur Valley and other private lands from the current boundary.
- Designate several river segments within the federal lands of the LPNF as wild and scenic under the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act.
- Make several minor boundary changes to wilderness designations enacted by Congress in 2002.

For a more detailed summary, please check out this [Section-by-section analysis of legislation](#) .

Maps and supporting documents:

- [Big Sur Management Unit Boundary Adjustment Map](#) (Google Earth)
- [Big Sur Management Unit Boundary Adjustment Map](#)
- [Wild and Scenic Rivers Adjustment](#)

- [Big Sur Management Unit Wilderness Adjustment Overview Map](#)

- [Alder Creek](#)
- [Bear Canyon](#)
- [Chalk Peak](#)
- [Coast Ridge](#)
- [Horse Canyon](#)
- [Horse Pasture](#)
- [Jeff Norman](#)
- [Little Sur](#)
- [Merle Ranch](#)
- [San Carpoforo](#)
- [Santa Lucia Creek](#)
- [Willow Creek Miguel](#)
- [Willow Creek Sycamore](#)

Letters of support:

- [Big Creek Reserve](#)
- [Carmel Valley Association](#)
- [Salinan Nation](#)
- [Tassajara Zen Mountain Center](#)