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117TH CONGRESS
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H. R. 2497

[Report No. 117–100]

To establish the Amache National Historic Site in the State of Colorado
as a unit of the National Park System, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

APRIL 14, 2021

Mr. NEGUSE (for himself and Mr. BUCK) introduced the following bill; which
was referred to the Committee on Natural Resources

JULY 22, 2021

Additional sponsors: Mrs. NAPOLITANO, Mr. CASE, Ms. DEGETTE, Mr. CROW,
Mr. PETERS, and Mr. PERLMUTTER

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[For text of introduced bill, see copy of bill as introduced on April 14, 2021]

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,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 *This Act may be cited as the “Amache National His-*
 5 *toric Site Act”.*

6 **SEC. 2. DEFINITIONS.**

7 *In this Act:*

8 (1) *MAP.*—*The term “Map” means the map enti-*
 9 *tled “Amache National Historical Site Proposed*
 10 *Boundary”, numbered 100/175348 and dated July*
 11 *2021.*

12 (2) *NATIONAL HISTORIC SITE.*—*The term “Na-*
 13 *tional Historic Site” means the Amache National*
 14 *Historic Site established by section 3(a).*

15 (3) *SECRETARY.*—*The term “Secretary” means*
 16 *the Secretary of the Interior.*

17 **SEC. 3. AMACHE NATIONAL HISTORIC SITE.**

18 (a) *ESTABLISHMENT.*—*Subject to subsection (c), there*
 19 *is established the Amache National Historic Site in the*
 20 *State of Colorado as a unit of the National Park System.*

21 (b) *PURPOSE.*—*The purpose of the National Historic*
 22 *Site is to preserve, protect, and interpret for the benefit of*
 23 *present and future generations resources associated with—*

24 (1) *the incarceration of civilians of Japanese an-*
 25 *cestry during World War II at Amache, also known*

1 *as the Granada Relocation Center, and the military*
2 *service of center incarcerated;*

3 (2) *public reaction in the State of Colorado to*
4 *the incarceration of Japanese Americans, including*
5 *the position of Governor Ralph Carr and the local*
6 *community; and*

7 (3) *the transition of the incarcerated and their de-*
8 *scendants following the closure of the center and reset-*
9 *tlement in the State of Colorado and other States.*

10 (c) *DETERMINATION BY THE SECRETARY.—The Na-*
11 *tional Historic Site shall not be established until the date*
12 *on which the Secretary determines that a sufficient quan-*
13 *tity of land or interests in land has been acquired to con-*
14 *stitute a manageable park unit.*

15 (d) *NOTICE.—Not later than 30 days after the Sec-*
16 *retary makes a determination under subsection (c), the Sec-*
17 *retary shall publish in the Federal Register notice of the*
18 *establishment of the National Historic Site.*

19 (e) *BOUNDARY; MAP.—*

20 (1) *BOUNDARY.—The boundary of the National*
21 *Historic Site shall be as generally depicted on the*
22 *Map.*

23 (2) *AVAILABILITY OF MAP.—The Map shall be on*
24 *file and available for public inspection in the appro-*
25 *priate offices of the National Park Service.*

1 (f) *LAND ACQUISITION AUTHORITY.*—*The Secretary*
2 *may acquire any land or interests in land located within*
3 *the boundary of the Camp Amache National Historic Land-*
4 *mark, as generally depicted on the Map, by—*

5 (1) *donation;*

6 (2) *purchase from a willing seller with donated*
7 *or appropriated Funds; or*

8 (3) *exchange.*

9 (g) *ADDITION TO BOUNDARY.*—*Any lands or interests*
10 *in land acquired under paragraph (1) shall be included*
11 *within the boundary of the National Historic Site.*

12 (h) *ADMINISTRATION.*—

13 (1) *IN GENERAL.*—*The Secretary shall admin-*
14 *ister the National Historic Site in accordance with—*

15 (A) *this Act; and*

16 (B) *the laws generally applicable to units of*
17 *the National Park System.*

18 (2) *MANAGEMENT PLAN.*—

19 (A) *DEADLINE FOR COMPLETION.*—*Not*
20 *later than 3 years after the date on which funds*
21 *are first made available to the Secretary for this*
22 *purpose, the Secretary shall prepare a general*
23 *management plan for the National Historic Site*
24 *in accordance with section 100502 of title 54,*
25 *United States Code.*

1 (B) *SUBMISSION TO CONGRESS.*—On com-
2 pletion of the general management plan under
3 subparagraph (A), the Secretary shall submit to
4 the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources
5 of the Senate and the Committee on Natural Re-
6 sources of the House of Representatives the gen-
7 eral management plan prepared under that sub-
8 paragraph.

9 (i) *ADMINISTRATIVE FACILITIES.*—For the purposes of
10 ensuring the preservation, protection, and proper manage-
11 ment of the site and associated resources, the Secretary may
12 establish facilities for administration, visitor services, and
13 curation of personal property, outside the boundary of, and
14 in the vicinity of, the National Historic Site.

15 (j) *COOPERATIVE AGREEMENTS.*—The Secretary may
16 enter into agreements with—

17 (1) *the public or private entities for the purpose*
18 *of establishing and operating facilities outside of the*
19 *boundary of the National Historic Site for adminis-*
20 *tration, visitor services and curation of personal*
21 *property; and*

22 (2) *other public or private entities for the pur-*
23 *poses of carrying out this Act.*

24 (k) *EFFECT ON WATER RIGHTS.*—Except as provided
25 for in subsection (l), nothing in this Act shall affect—

1 (1) *the use, allocation, ownership, or control, in*
 2 *existence on the date of the enactment of any water,*
 3 *water right, or any other valid existing right;*

4 (2) *any vested absolute or decreed conditional*
 5 *water right in existence on the date of the enactment;*

6 (3) *any interstate water compact in existence on*
 7 *the date of the enactment; or*

8 (4) *State jurisdiction over any water law.*

9 (1) *OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE OF WATER INFRA-*
 10 *STRUCTURE AND APPURTENANCES.—*

11 (1) *The town of Granada, Colorado, shall main-*
 12 *tain responsibility for the operation and maintenance*
 13 *of all water infrastructure, systems and appur-*
 14 *tenances located within the boundary of the National*
 15 *Historic Site in existence on the date of enactment of*
 16 *this Act, including but not limited to wells, pumps,*
 17 *tanks, water lines, valves, and water treatment facili-*
 18 *ties.*

19 (2) *The Secretary shall provide the town of Gra-*
 20 *nada, Colorado, with access to those areas of the Na-*
 21 *tional Historic Site determined as necessary for the*
 22 *operation and maintenance of water infrastructure*
 23 *and appurtenances.*

24 (3) *The Secretary may permit the city of Gra-*
 25 *nada, Colorado, to construct or install new water in-*

1 *frastructure, systems and appurtenances consistent*
2 *with applicable laws, limited only to those areas de-*
3 *termined in subsection (i)(2), and in a manner that*
4 *ensures the preservation, protection, and proper man-*
5 *agement of the National Historic Site.*

6 *(4) At such time that all water infrastructure,*
7 *systems and appurtenances located within the bound-*
8 *ary of the National Historic Site are no longer uti-*
9 *lized by the city of Granada, Colorado, associated im-*
10 *provements and associated water rights may be ac-*
11 *quired through donation to and made part of the Na-*
12 *tional Historic Site in a condition satisfactory to the*
13 *Secretary.*

Amend the title so as to read: “A bill to establish the Amache National Historic Site in the State of Colorado as a Unit of the National Park System, and for other purposes.”.

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