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H. R. 5031

To reauthorize the Joint Chiefs Landscape Restoration Partnership program,
and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JULY 27, 2023

Mr. NEGUSE (for himself, Mr. ARMSTRONG, Ms. SALINAS, and Ms. SCHRIER) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Agriculture, and in addition to the Committee on Natural Resources, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned

A BILL

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Partnership program, and for other purposes.

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 “Joint Chiefs Reauthor-
5 ization Act of 2023”.

1 **SEC. 2. JOINT CHIEFS LANDSCAPE RESTORATION PART-**
2 **nership Program.**

3 Section 40808 of the Infrastructure Investment and
4 Jobs Act (16 U.S.C. 6592d) is amended—

5 (1) in subsection (a)(2)—

6 (A) in subparagraph (B), by striking “or”
7 at the end;

8 (B) in subparagraph (C), by striking the
9 period at the end and inserting a semicolon;
10 and

11 (C) by adding at the end the following:

12 “(D) to recover from wildfires; or

13 “(E) to enhance soil, water, and related
14 natural resources.”;

15 (2) in subsection (b), by adding at the end the
16 following:

17 “(3) AGENCY COORDINATION.—In carrying out
18 the Program, the Chief of the Natural Resources
19 Conservation Service shall—

20 “(A) consider corresponding management
21 plans from the Chief of the Forest Service; and

22 “(B) collaborate with the Chief of the For-
23 est Service on forestry science and practice,
24 using the best available science.”;

25 (3) in subsection (d)(1)—

1 (A) in subparagraph (A), by inserting
2 “and post-wildfire impacts” after “wildfire
3 risk”; and

4 (B) in subparagraph (F), by inserting “,
5 as identified in the corresponding State forest
6 action plan or similar priority plan (such as a
7 State wildlife or water plan)” before the semi-
8 colon;

9 (4) in subsection (f), by striking paragraph (2)
10 and inserting the following:

11 “(2) inconsistent with the prohibitions under
12 the rule of the Forest Service entitled ‘Special
13 Areas; Roadless Area Conservation’ (66 Fed. Reg.
14 3244 (January 12, 2001)), and subparts C and D
15 of part 294 of title 36, Code of Federal Regulations,
16 as applicable;”; and

17 (5) in subsections (g)(2) and (h)(1), by striking
18 “and 2023” each place it appears and inserting
19 “through 2028”.

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