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Senate Votes On Omnibus Federal Lands Bill Nov. 17 or later.

Here Are 150 Bills In Omnibus Bill For Senate Vote. (HR 5151)

Congress returns for Lame Duck Session November 17th.

Action Items:

-----1. Forward this message as widely as you can to as many people as you can.

-----2. Between now and November 17th and through the Lame Duck Session of Congress you must deluge both your Senators and Congressman with calls opposing the Omnibus Federal Lands Bill. It goes by the House number HR 5151 but that number may get changed.

You may call any Senator at (202) 224-3121.

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Senate will vote after Nov. 17th on Omnibus Federal Lands bill.
(For Now called HR 5151. The number could change.)

Here is a special editorial from the The Washington Examiner
retarding the Omnibus Federal Lands Bill. October 27, 2008

http://www.dcxaminer.com/opinion/Reids_Deadly_Land_Grab.html

Reid's Deadly Land Grab

By Examiner Editorial

One reason Senate Majority Leader Harry Reid is talking about calling the Senate back to the nation's capital after the election is to seek passage of his Omnibus Land Management Act of 2008. Enactment of this 1,000+ page monstrosity of a bill will be disastrous for American energy independence, as well as for hundreds of millions of poor people living on the edge of starvation around the globe. If that connection seems strained, consider the following:

Reid's bill is actually a combination of more than 100 separate bills, each of which adds to the lands owned by the federal government in the American West. It's not enough that the federal government already controls more than 650 million acres of Western land. Reid and company want to put millions more acres under the dead hand of the federal bureaucracy, and thereby prevent development of rich new energy resources that could help free America from dependence upon foreign oil.

Experts agree there are billions of barrels of recoverable oil in oil

shale areas of these lands, as well as massive stores of natural gas and coal. As Americans for Tax Reform notes in a recent letter to the Senate, “by restricting access to land for energy exploration, this legislation is limiting the potential of the economy and directly interfering with America’s entrepreneurial drive. By creating unnecessary new ‘conservation’ programs, million of additional acres of land will be managed by a vast government bureaucracy.”

By locking up these lands from energy exploration and development, Reid’s bill would inevitably result in gas again costing \$4 per gallon and even more. Food prices will resume their upward climb, along with the costs of everything else that requires energy to be produced and marketed. Such cost spirals won’t be limited to America because OPEC’s monopoly would be strengthened globally, meaning upward pressure on prices everywhere. As disturbing as that prospect is for Americans, the effects of Reid’s bill will be catastrophic for millions of poor people in the Third World. Dr.

Calvin Meisner reminds us elsewhere on these pages that when energy prices rise, so does the cost of food and that means death for the most economically vulnerable people in Africa and Asia. Historian Paul Johnson estimates that tens of millions of poor people in those regions died following OPEC’s 1973 oil price shock. Their deaths resulted from malnutrition, disease and related afflictions when their subsistence incomes were forced even lower by OPEC greed. Millions more will be similarly doomed today by the hunger holocaust that will surely follow if Reid’s bill becomes law.

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Here is a complete list of the over 150 bills included in the Omnibus package. Other bills could be added.

Majority Leader Harry Reid (R-NV) plans on moving the giant Omnibus Federal Lands Bill during Lame Duck Session.

Other Senators can stop it by putting holds on the bill or otherwise delaying it so it cannot be voted on in the Lame Duck Session. Put your Senators on the spot.

This is one of the largest and most expensive land grabs in history. Over 150 separate bills included including the dreaded National Landscape Conservation System (NLCS).

The danger in an Omnibus Federal Lands Bill is that since a Senator may have a bill in the package, he or she will not look at the other bills in the package. That is how a lot of bad bills pass Congress. It is a bad system and you need to let your Senators know you are watching their actions on this bill.

Harry Reid deliberately adds bills from Republicans and others so they won’t oppose the overall bill. You need to make sure your Senator oppose the Omnibus Federal Lands Bill anyway. No bill is worth the enormous damage the Omnibus Bill will cause.

This will be one of the most important votes in years.

-----Action Items-----

-----1. Forward this message as widely as possible.

-----2. Call, fax and e-mail both your Senators opposing the Omnibus Federal Lands Bill. It may go under the number HR 5151. They could change the number. When you call, ask for the staff person who handles this issue and get his or her e-mail address. Keep calling and following up. You must maintain the pressure.

Any Senator may be called at (202) 224-3121. Tell them to vote on each bill separately. Bills should not be packaged together where nobody has read all the bills. We will send you a report from the League of Private Property Voters about which Senators voted for and against the Omnibus Federal Lands Bill. Make sure your Senator knows this. You have extra power if you act quickly and put pressure on your Senator before the election.

-----3. Go visit with your Senator if they are running for election this year.

-----4. Call your friends and neighbors to urge them to contact your Senators.

-----5. Get organizations to call both your Senators.

-----6. Call, fax and e-mail your Congressman opposing the Omnibus Federal Lands Bill and the NLCS. After the Senate vote, the Omnibus Bill will have to go back to the House for approval. All Congressmen may be called at (202) 225-3121.

Omnibus Bill May Be HR 5151 or Some Other Bill Number.

-----All The bills listed below are in the Omnibus Federal Lands Bill.

You need to look through this bill list and deluge any Senators listed with bills in the Omnibus Federal Lands Bill. You may call any senator at (202) 224-3121.

All Senators must be called, faxed or e-mailed because they will all vote.

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Description of the bill: Senate Bill - Senate Bill Sponsor - House Bill - House Sponsor

Wild Monongahela Wilderness: S 2851-Byrd (D-WV) - HR 5151 – Rahall (D-WV)
VA Ridge & Valley Wilderness: S 570 – Warner (R-VA) – HR 1011 – Boucher (D-VA)
Mt. Hood Wilderness, OR: S 647 - Wyden (D-OR) – HR 6290 – Blumenauer (D-OR)
Copper Salmon Wilderness, OR: S 2034 – Wyden (D-OR) – HR 3513 – DeFazio (D-OR)
Cascade-Siskiyou Natl Monument, OR: S 2379 – Smith (R-OR)
Owyhee Public Land Management: S 2833 – Crapo (R-ID)
Sabinoso Wilderness, NM: HR 2632 – T. Udall (D-NM)
Pictured Rocks Natl Lakeshore Wilderness: S 3017 – Levin (D-MI)
OR Badlands Wilderness: S 3088 – Wyden (D-OR)
Spring Basin Wilderness, OR: S 3089 – Wyden (D-OR)
E. Sierra & Northern San Gabriel Wilderness, CA: S 3069 – Boxer (D-CA) – HR 6156 – McKeon (R-CA)
Riverside Cnty Wilderness, CA: S 2109 - Boxer (D-CA) – HR 3682 – Bono Mack (R-CA)
Sequoia & Kings Canyon Natl Parks Wilderness, CA: S 1774 – Boxer (D-CA) – HR 3022 – Costa (D-CA)
Rocky Mountain Natl Park Wilderness, CO: S 1380 – Salazar (D-CO) – HR 2334 – M Udall (D-CO)
Natl Landscape Conservation System: S 1139 – Bingaman (D-NM) – HR 2016 – Grijalva (D-AZ)
Prehistoric Trackways Natl Monument: S 275 – Bingaman (D-NM)

Ft Stanton-Snowy River Cave Natl Conservation Area: S 260 – Domenici (R-NM) – HR 1989 – Pearce (R-NM)
Snake River Birds of Prey Natl Conservation Area: S 262 - Craig (R-ID) – HR 3734 – Simpson (R-ID)
Dominguez-Escalante Natl Conservation Area: S 3065 – Salazar (D-CO) – HR 6162 – Salazar (D-CO)
Rio Puerco Watershed Management Program: S 1940 – Bingaman (D-NM)

Land Conveyances & Exchanges
Carson City, NV land conveyances: S 3606 – Reid (D-NV)
Southern NV limited transition area conveyance: S 1377 – Reid (D-NV) – HR 2299 – Heller (R-NV)
NV Cancer Institute land conveyance: S 758 – Ensign (D-NV) – HR 1311 – Berkley (D-NV)
Turnabout Ranch land conveyance, UT: S 832 – Hatch (R-UT) – HR 3575 – Matheson (D-UT)
Boy Scouts land exchange, UT: S 900 – Hatch (R-UT) – HR 6097 – Matheson (D-UT)
Douglas Cnty, WA, land conveyance: HR 523 – Hastings (R-WA)
Twin Falls, ID, land conveyance: S 2354 – Crapo (R-ID) – HR 4184 – Simpson (R-ID)
Sunrise Mountain Instant Study Area release, NV: S 2898 – Reid (D-NV) – HR 816 – Porter (R-NV)
Park City, UT, land conveyance: S 532 – Hatch (R-UT) – HR 828 – Bishop (R-UT)
Release of revisionary interest in certain lands in Reno, NV: S 2443 – Ensign (D-NV) – HR 2246 – Heller (R-NV)
Tuolumne Band of Me-Wuk Indians of the Tuolumne Rancheria: HR 3490 – Radanovich (R-CA)
Watershed Restoration & Enhancement: S 232 – Wyden (D-OR)
Wildland Firefighter Safety: S 1152 – Cantwell (D-WA) – HR 4832 – M Udall (D-CO)
WY Range: S 2229 – Barrasso (R-WY)

Land Conveyances & Exchanges:
Land conveyance to City of Coffman Cove, AK: S 202 – Murkowski (R-AK) – HR 831- D Young (R-AK)
Beaverhead-Deerlodge Natl Forest land conveyance, MT: S 2124 – Baucus (D-MT) – HR 3702 – Rehberg (R-MT)
Sante Fe Natl Forest; Pecos NHP Land exchange: S 216 – Bingaman (D-NM)
Sante Fe Natl Forest Land Conveyance, NM: S 1939 – Bingaman
Kittitas Cnty, WA, land conveyance: S 2601 – Cantwell (D-WA) – HR 1285 – Hastings (R-WA)
Mammoth Community Water District use restrictions: HR 356 – McKeon (R-CA)
Land conveyance, Wasatch-Cache Natl Forest, UT: HR 3473 – Bishop (R-UT)
Boundary adj, Frank Church River of No Return Wilderness: S 1802 – Craig (R-ID)
Sandia Pueblo land exchange technical amendment: Bingaman (D-NM)
CO Northern Front Range Study: S 2508 – Salazar (D-CO) – HR 903 – M Udall (D-CO)
Forest Landscape Restoration: S 2593 – Bingaman (D-NM) – HR 5263 – Grijalva (D-AZ)

Additions to the Natl & Wild Scenic Rivers System
Fossil Creek, AZ NWSR: S 86 – McCain (R-AZ) – HR 199 – Renzi (R-AZ)
Snake River Headwaters, WY NWSR: S 1281 – Thomas (R-WY)
Taunton River, MA NWSR: S 868 – Kennedy (D-MA) – HR 415 Frank (D-MA)

Wild & Scenic Rivers Studies
Missisquoi & Trout Rivers Study NWSR: S 2093 – Leahy (D-VT) – HR 3667 – Welch (D-VT)

Additions to the Natl Trails System
AZ Natl Scenic Trail: S 1304 – McCain (R-AZ) – HR 2297 – Giffords (D-AZ)
New England Natl Scenic Trail: S 923 – Kerry (D-MA) – HR 1528 – Olver (D-MA)
Ice Age Floods Natl Geologic Trail: S 268 – Cantwell (D-WA) – HR 450 – Hastings (R-WA)
WA-Rochambeau Revolutionary Route NHT: S 686 – Lieberman (D-CT) – HR 1286 – Hinchey (D-NY)
Pacific Northwest Natl Scenic Trail: S 2943 – Cantwell (D-WA) – HR 5926 - Dicks (D-WA)
Trail of Tears Natl Historic Trail: HR 5335 – Wamp (R-TN)

Natl Trail System Amendments
Natl Trails System willing seller authority: S 169 – Allard (R-CO)

Revision of feasibility & suitability studies of existing NHT: S 580 – Hatch (R-UT) – HR 1336 – Blumenauer (D-OR)
Chisholm Trail & Great Western Trails Studies: S 2255 – Hutchison (R-TX) – HR 2849 – Cole (R-OK)
Cooperative Watershed Management Program: S 3085 – Tester (D-MT)
Competitive Status for Federal Employees in AK: S 1433 – Murkowski (R-AK)
Management of the Baca Natl Wildlife Refuge: S 127 – Allard (R-CO) – HR 1658 – Salazar (D-CO)
Paleontological Resources Preservation: S 320 – Akaka (D-HI) – HR 554 – McGovern (D-MA)
Izembek Natl Wildlife Refuge Land Exchange: S 1680 – Murkowski (R-AK) – HR 2801 – D Young (R-AK)
Wolf Livestock Loss Demonstration Project: S 2875 – Tester (D-MT)
Additions to the Natl Park System
Paterson Great Falls Natl Historical Park, NJ: S 148 – Lautenberg (D-NJ) – HR 189 – Pascrell (D-NJ)
William Jefferson Clinton Birthplace Home Natl Historic Site: S 245 – Pryor (D-AR) – HR 5504 – Ross (D-AR)
River Raisin Natl Battlefield Park: S 3247 – Levin (D-MI) – Hr 6470 – Dingell (D-MI)
Amendments to Existing Units of the Natl Park System
Funding for Keweenaw Natl Historical Park: S 189 – Levin (D-MI) – HR 3704 – Stupak (D-MI)
Location of visitor & admin facilities for Weir Farm NHS: S 1247 – Lieberman (ID-CT) – HR 1836 – Shays (R-CT)
Little River Canyon Natl Preserve boundary expansion: S 1961 – Sessions (R-AL) – HR 5486 – Rogers (R-AL)
Hopewell Culture Natl Historical Park boundary expansion: S 1993 – Brown (D-OH) – HR 2197 – Space (D-OH)
Jean LaFitte Natl Historical Park & Preserve boundary adj: S 783 – Landrieu (D-LA) – HR 1387 – Melancon (D-LA)
Minute Man Natl Historical Park: S 2513 – Kennedy (D-MA) – HR 5853 – Tsongas (D-MA) / HR 2815 – Meehan (D-MA)
Everglades Natl Park: S 2804 – Nelson (D-FL) / S 3340 – Martinez (R-FL) – HR 5708 – Ros-Lehtinen (R-FL)
Kalaupapa Natl Historical Park: S 2502 – Akaka (D-HI) – HR 3332 – Hirono (D- HI)
Boston Harbor Islands Natl Recreation Area: S 1365 – Kerry (D-MA)
Thomas Edison Natl Historical Park, New Jersey: S 2329 – Menendez (D-NJ) – HR 2627 – Payne (D-NJ)
Women's Rights Natl Historical Park: S 1816 – Clinton (D-NY) – HR 3114 – Slaughter (D-NY)
Martin Van Buren Natl Historical Site: S 2535 – Clinton (D-NY) – HR 3063 – Gillibrand (D-NY)
Palo Alto Battlefield Natl Historical Park: S 3011 – Cornyn (R-TX) – HR 4828 – Ortiz (D-TX)
Abraham Lincoln Birthplace Natl Historical Park: S 3226 – Bunning (R-KY)
New River Gorge Natl River: HR 5137 – Rahall (D-WV)
Technical Corrections
Wright Brothers-Dunbar Natl Historical Park, OH: HR 4199 – Turner (R-OH)
Fort Davis Natl Historic Site: HR 6176 – Rodriguez (D-TX)
Special Resource Studies
Walnut Canyon study: S 722 – McCain (R-AZ) – HR 1558 – Renzi (R-AZ) / HR 5751 – Pastor (D-AZ)
Tule Lake Segregation Center, CA: S 1476 – Feinstein (D-CA) – HR 2506 – Doolittle (R-CA)
Estate Grange, St. Croix: S 1969 – Hatch (R-UT)
Harriet Beecher Stowe House, ME: S 662 – Snowe (R-ME)
Shepherdstown Battlefield, West VA: S 1633 – Byrd (D-WV)
Green McAdoo School, TN: S 2207 – Alexander (R-TN) – HR 2695 – Wamp (R-TN)
Harry S. Truman Birthplace, MO: HR 3998 – Grijalva (D-AZ)
Battle of Mewan special resource study: HR 3998 – Grijalva (D-AZ)
Butterfield Overland Trail: HR 3998 – Grijalva (D-AZ)

Cold War sites theme study: S 2561 – Reid (D-NV) – HR 5139 – Berkley (D-NV)
Battle of Camden, SC: S 3051 – Graham (R-SC) – HR 1674 – Spratt (D-SC)
Fort San Geronimo, Puerto Rico: S 3051 – Graham (R-SC) – HR 1545 – Fortuno (R-PR)

Program Authorizations
American Battlefield Protection Program: S 1921 – Webb (D-VA) – HR 2933 – Miller (R-CA)
Preserve America Program: S 2262 – Domenici (R-NM) – HR 3981 – Miller (D-NC)
Save America's Treasures Program: S 2262 – Domenici (R-NM) – HR 3981 – Miller (D-NC)
Route 66 Corridor Preservation Program: S 3010 – Domenici (R-NM) – HR 6046 – Wilson (R-NM)
Natl Cave & Karst Research Institute: S 3096 – Bingaman (D-NM)

Advisory Commissions
Na Hoa Pili O Kaloko-Honokohau Advisory Commission: S 1728 – Akaka (D-HI)
Cape Cod Natl Seashore Advisory Commission: S 3158 – Kennedy (D-MA) – HR 6336 – Delahunt (D-MA)
Natl Park System Advisory Board: S 3158 – Kennedy (D-MA) – HR 6336 – Delahunt (D-MA)
Concessions Management Advisory Board: S 3158 – Kennedy (D-MA) – HR 6336 – Delahunt (D-MA)
St. Augustine 450th Commemoration Commission: S 2359 – Martinez (R-FL) – HR 4258 – Mica (R-FL)
Memorials - Reauthorization of memorial to M L K, Jr.: S 3607 – Burr (R-NC)

Designation of Natl Heritage Areas
Sangre de Cristo Natl Heritage Area, CO: S 443 – Salazar (D-CO) – HR 859 – Salazar (D-CO)
Cache La Poudre River Natl Heritage Area, CO: S 128 – Allard (R-CO) – HR 591 – Musgrave (R-CO)
South Park Natl Heritage Area, CO: S 444 – Salazar (D-CO) – HR 3335 – Lamborn (R-CO)
Northern Plains Natl Heritage Area, ND: S 2098 – Dorgan (D-ND) – HR 6678 – Pomeroy (D-ND)
Baltimore Natl Heritage Area, MD: S 2604 – Mikulski (D-MD) – HR 5279 – Cummings (D-MD)
Freedom's Way Natl Heritage Area, MA & NH: S 827 – Kerry (D-MA) – HR 1297 – Olver (D-MA)
MS Hills Natl Heritage Area: S 2254 – Cochran (R-MS) – HR 4457 – B Thompson (D-MS)
MS Delta Natl Heritage Area: S 2512 – Cochran (R-MS) – HR 4457 – B Thompson (D-MS)
Muscle Shoals Natl Heritage Area, AL: HR 1483 – Regula (R-OH)
Kenai Mountains-Turnagain Arm Natl Heritage Area, AK: S 3045 – Murkowski (R-AK)

Studies
Chattahoochee Trace, AL & GA: S 637 – Sessions (R-AL) – HR 1408 – Everett (R-AL)
Northern Neck, VA: S 3039 – Webb (D-VA) – HR 1483 – Regula (R-OH)

Amendments Relating to Natl Heritage Corridors
Quinebaug & Shetucket Rivers Valley NHC: S 1182 – Dodd (D-CT) – HR 1949 – Courtney (D-CT)
DE & Lehigh NHC: S 817 – Voinovich – HR 3809 – Kanjorski (D-PA)
Erie Canalway NHC: S 817 – Voinovich – HR 1483 – Regula (R-OH)
John H. Chafee Blackstone River Valley NHC: HR 1483 – Regula (R-OH)

Feasibility Studies
Snake, Boise, & Payette River systems, ID: S 542 – Craig (R-ID)
Sierra Vista Subwatershed, AZ: S 1929 – Kyl (R-AZ) – HR 3328 – Giffords (D-AZ)
San Diego Intertie, CA: HR 1803 – Hunter (R-CA)

Project Authorizations
Tumalo Irrigation District Water Conservation Project, OR: S 1037 – Smith (R-OR) – HR 496 – Walden (R-OR)
Madera Water Supply Enhancement Project, CA: S 1473 – Feinstein (D-CA) – HR 1855 – Radanovich (R-CA)

Eastern NM Rural Water System Project, NM: S 2814 – Bingaman (D-NM) – HR 5710 – T Udall (D-NM)
Rancho CA Water District Project, CA: HR 1725 – Bono Mack (R-CA)
Jackson Gulch Rehabilitation Project, CO: S 1477 – Salazar (D-CO) – HR 3437 – Salazar (D-CO)
Rio Grande Pueblos, NM: S 2805 – Bingaman (D-NM) – HR 6024 – T Udall (D-NM)
Upper CO River Basin Fund: S 3189 – Bingaman (D-NM)
Santa Margarita River, CA: HR 29 – Issa (R-CA)
Elsinore Valley Municipal Water District: HR 31 – Issa (R-CA)
North Bay Water Reuse Authority: S 1472 – Feinstein (D-CA) – HR 236 – M Thompson (D-CA)
Prado Basin Natural Treatment System Project, CA: S 2259 – Feinstein (D-CA) – HR 813 – Miller (R-CA)
Bunker Hill Groundwater Basin, CA: S 1474 – Feinstein (D-CA) – HR 1139 – Calvert (R-CA)
GREAT Project, CA: HR 1737 – Capps (D-CA)
Yucaipa Valley Water District, CA: HR 2614 – Calvert (R-CA)
Arkansas Valley Conduit, CO: S 2974 – Allard (R-CO) – HR 6502 – Salazar (D-CO)
Title Transfers & Clarifications
Transfer of McGee Creek pipeline & facilities: S 177 – Inhofe (R-OK) – HR 2085 – Fallin (R-OK)
Albuquerque Biological Park, NM, title clarification: S 2370 – Bingaman (D-NM)
Goleta Water District Water Distribution System, CA: HR 3323 – Capps (D-CA)
San Gabriel Basin Restoration Fund: HR 123 – Dreier (R-CA)
Lower CO River Multi-Species Conservation Program: S 300 – Kyl (R-AZ) – HR 2515 – Heller (R-NV)
Secure Water: S 2156 – Bingaman (D-NM)
Aging Infrastructure: S 2842 – Reid (D-NV)
San Joaquin River Restoration Settlement Act: S 27 – Feinstein (D-CA) – HR 24 – Radanovich (R-CA) / HR 4074 – Costa (D-CA)
Northwestern NM Rural Water Projects: S 1171 – Bingaman (D-NM) – HR 1970 – T Udall (D-NM)
U.S. Geological Survey Authorizations
Reauthorization of the Natl Geologic Mapping Act of 1992: S 240 – Craig (R-ID) – HR 5171 – Costa (D-CA)
NM water resources study: S 324 – Domenici (R-NM) – HR 2071 – Wilson (R-NM)
Miscellaneous
Management & distribution of ND Trust Funds: S 1740 – Conrad (D-ND)
Amdts to Fisheries Restoration & Irrigation Mitigation Act of 2000: S 1522 – Wyden (D-OR) – HR 3830 – DeFazio (D-OR)
Amendments to the AK Natural Gas Pipeline Act: S 1089 – Murkowski (R-AK)
Additional Assistant Secretary for the Dept of Energy: S 1203 – Bingaman (D-NM)
Lovelace Respiratory Research Institute: S 3179 – Bingaman (D-NM) – HR 6592 – Wilson (R-NM)
Auth. of appropriations for Natl Tropical Botanical Garden: S 2220 – Akaka (D-HI) – HR 5999 – Hirono (D-HI)

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