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117TH CONGRESS
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To take certain Federal lands located in Siskiyou County, California, and Humboldt County, California, into trust for the benefit of the Karuk Tribe, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Mr. HUFFMAN introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on _____

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 “Katimiîn and
5 Aamekyáaraam Sacred Lands Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. LAND HELD IN TRUST FOR THE KARUK TRIBE.**

2 (a) IN GENERAL.—In recognition of the historical use
3 and ongoing relationship between the Karuk Tribe and the
4 Katamiin and Aameekyáaraam tracts of land in the ances-
5 tral territory of the Karuk Tribe, administrative jurisdic-
6 tion of these tracts of land are hereby transferred from
7 the Secretary of Agriculture to the Secretary of the Inte-
8 rior and held in trust for the benefit of the Karuk Tribe,
9 subject to valid existing rights.

10 (b) LAND DESCRIPTION.—The land taken into trust
11 pursuant to subsection (a) is the approximately 1,031
12 acres of Federal land located in Siskiyou County, Cali-
13 fornia, and Humboldt County, California, and generally
14 depicted as “Proposed Area” on the map titled “Katimiin
15 AreaBoundary Proposal” and dated 08–09–2021, includ-
16 ing improvements and appurtenances thereto.

17 (c) SURVEY.—Not later than 180 days after the date
18 of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of the Interior
19 shall complete a survey of the land taken into trust under
20 subsection (a).

21 (d) USE OF LAND.—

22 (1) IN GENERAL.—Land taken into trust under
23 subsection (a) shall be used only for traditional and
24 customary uses for the benefit of the Karuk Tribe.

25 (2) GAMING.—Class II and class III gaming
26 under the Indian Gaming Regulatory Act (25 U.S.C.

1 2701 et seq.) shall not be allowed on the land taken
2 into trust under subsection (a).

3 (e) WILD AND SCENIC RIVERS MANAGEMENT.—The
4 fact that the land described in subsection (b) is held in
5 trust for the benefit of the Karuk Tribe shall not affect
6 the status or administration of any component of the na-
7 tional wild and scenic rivers system, including components
8 located on such land.