

119TH CONGRESS
2^D SESSION

H. R. 3922

AN ACT

To direct the Comptroller General of the United States to conduct a study on existing programs, rules, and authorities that enable or inhibit wildfire mitigation across land ownership boundaries on Federal and non-Federal land, 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,*

1 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

2 This Act may be cited as the “Cross-Boundary Wild-
3 fire Solutions Act”.

4 **SEC. 2. DEFINITIONS.**

5 In this Act:

6 (1) COVERED AGENCY.—The term “covered
7 agency” means—

8 (A) each Federal land management agency
9 (as defined in section 802 of the Federal Lands
10 Recreation Enhancement Act (16 U.S.C.
11 6801));

12 (B) the Natural Resources Conservation
13 Service;

14 (C) the Environmental Protection Agency;

15 (D) the Federal Emergency Management
16 Agency;

17 (E) the United States Fire Administration;

18 (F) States;

19 (G) Indian Tribes; and

20 (H) local governments.

21 (2) COVERED AUTHORITY.—The term “covered
22 authority” means—

23 (A) the Healthy Forests Restoration Act of
24 2003 (16 U.S.C. 6501 et seq.);

25 (B) the Cooperative Forestry Assistance
26 Act of 1978 (16 U.S.C. 2101 et seq.);

1 (C) the good neighbor authority under sec-
2 tion 8206 of the Agricultural Act of 2014 (16
3 U.S.C. 2113a);

4 (D) the Tribal Forest Protection Act of
5 2004 (25 U.S.C. 3101 et seq.);

6 (E) the collaborative forest landscape res-
7 toration program under section 4003 of the
8 Omnibus Public Land Management Act of 2009
9 (16 U.S.C. 7303); and

10 (F) any other statutory authority that fa-
11 cilitates cross-boundary wildfire mitigation or
12 forest health improvement activities, as deter-
13 mined by the Comptroller General of the United
14 States.

15 **SEC. 3. STUDY ON WILDFIRE MITIGATION ACROSS LAND**
16 **OWNERSHIP BOUNDARIES.**

17 (a) STUDY REQUIRED.—The Comptroller General of
18 the United States shall conduct a study on—

19 (1) the existing Federal programs, rules, and
20 authorities that enable or inhibit wildfire mitigation
21 from being completed across land ownership bound-
22 aries on Federal and non-Federal land;

23 (2) whether changes to any program, rule, or
24 authority (including changes to existing statutory

1 definitions) identified pursuant to paragraph (1)
2 would—

3 (A) allow a covered agency increased ca-
4 pacity or access to funding to mitigate wildfires
5 or improve forest health; and

6 (B) enable better community protection
7 and prevent the loss of structures due to wild-
8 fire; and

9 (3) the activities carried out pursuant to a cov-
10 ered authority, including—

11 (A) how to improve the efficacy of such ac-
12 tivities with respect to mitigating wildfire; and

13 (B) whether the enactment of such covered
14 authority has increased capacity or access to
15 funding to mitigate wildfires for a covered
16 agency.

17 (b) REPORT.—Not later than 2 years after the date
18 of the enactment of this Act, the Comptroller General of
19 the United States shall submit to the Committee on Nat-
20 ural Resources and the Committee on Agriculture of the
21 House of Representatives and the Committee on Energy
22 and Natural Resources and the Committee on Agriculture,
23 Nutrition, and Forestry of the Senate a report that con-
24 tains—

1 (1) the results of the study required under sub-
2 section (a); and

3 (2) recommendations to simplify cross-boundary
4 wildfire mitigation between Federal land manage-
5 ment agencies and State, local, and Tribal govern-
6 ments.

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Attest:

Clerk.

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