

**AMENDMENT TO H.R. 823, AS REPORTED
OFFERED BY MR. TIPTON OF COLORADO**

At the end of the bill, insert the following:

1 **SEC. 406. RELEASE OF NORTH SAND HILLS INSTANT STUDY**

2 **AREA.**

3 (a) FINDINGS.—Congress finds as follows:

4 (1) The Federal lands in the North Sand Hills
5 Instant Study Area in Jackson County, Colorado,
6 have been adequately studied for wilderness designa-
7 tion and for the purposes of section 603(c) of the
8 Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976
9 (43 U.S.C. 1782(c)).

10 (2) In 1980, the Bureau of Land Management
11 found that the North Sand Hills Instant Study Area
12 did not meet wilderness criteria.

13 (3) In 2011, the Bureau of Land Management
14 Colorado Northwest Resource Advisory Council Res-
15 olution 2011–01 supported the release of the North
16 Sand Hills Instant Study Area from further consid-
17 eration of wilderness designation.

18 (b) RELEASE.—The Federal land in the North Sand
19 Hills Instant Study Area—

1 (1) is no longer subject to section 603(c) of the
2 Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976
3 (43 U.S.C. 1782(c)); and

4 (2) shall be managed according to the applica-
5 ble land use plan adopted under section 202 of that
6 Act (43 U.S.C. 1712).

7 **SEC. 407. RELEASE OF CERTAIN WILDERNESS STUDY**
8 **AREAS IN THE STATE OF COLORADO.**

9 (a) FINDING.—Each wilderness study area, or por-
10 tion thereof described in subsection (b) is deemed to have
11 been adequately studied for wilderness designation pursu-
12 ant to section 603 of the Federal Land Policy and Man-
13 agement Act of 1976 (43 U.S.C. 1782) and shall not be
14 subject to the requirements of subsection (c) of such sec-
15 tion.

16 (b) DESCRIPTION OF LAND.—The land referred to in
17 subsection (a) is the portion of land determined by the
18 Bureau of Land Management to be unsuitable for wilder-
19 ness designation in each of the following areas:

20 (1) The approximately 6,303 acres of land com-
21 prising the Weber Mountain Wilderness Study Area.

22 (2) The approximately 7,089 acres of land com-
23 prising the Menefee Mountain Wilderness Study
24 Area.

1 (3) The approximately 8,960 acres of land com-
2 prising the Cahone Canyon Wilderness Study Area.

3 (4) The approximately 3,043 acres of land com-
4 prising Dominguez Canyon Wilderness Study Area
5 that have been studied by the Bureau of Land Man-
6 agement and are not recommended for Wilderness
7 Additions.

8 (5) The approximately 10,191 acres of land
9 comprising Black Mountain Wilderness Study Area.

