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To standardize the designation of National Heritage Areas,  
and for other purposes.

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AMENDMENT IN THE NATURE OF A SUBSTITUTE intended  
to be proposed by \_\_\_\_\_

Viz:

1 Strike all after the enacting clause and insert the fol-  
2 lowing:

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “National Heritage  
5 Area Act”.

6 **SEC. 2. DEFINITIONS.**

7 In this Act:

8 (1) NATIONAL HERITAGE AREA.—The term  
9 “National Heritage Area” means a component of the  
10 National Heritage Area System described in section  
11 3(b)(1).

1           (2) SECRETARY.—The term “Secretary” means  
2           the Secretary of the Interior.

3 **SEC. 3. NATIONAL HERITAGE AREA SYSTEM.**

4           (a) IN GENERAL.—To recognize certain areas of the  
5 United States that tell nationally significant stories and  
6 to conserve, enhance, and interpret those nationally sig-  
7 nificant stories and the natural, historic, scenic, and cul-  
8 tural resources of areas that illustrate significant aspects  
9 of the heritage of the United States, there is established  
10 a National Heritage Area System through the administra-  
11 tion of which the Secretary may provide technical and fi-  
12 nancial assistance to local coordinating entities to support  
13 the establishment, development, and continuity of the Na-  
14 tional Heritage Areas.

15           (b) NATIONAL HERITAGE AREA SYSTEM.—The Na-  
16 tional Heritage Area System shall be composed of—

17           (1) each National Heritage Area, National Her-  
18 itage Corridor, National Heritage Canalway, Cul-  
19 tural Heritage Corridor, National Heritage Route,  
20 and National Heritage Partnership designated by  
21 Congress before or on the date of enactment of this  
22 Act; and

23           (2) each National Heritage Area designated by  
24 Congress after the date of enactment of this Act.

1 (c) RELATIONSHIP TO THE NATIONAL PARK SYS-  
2 TEM.—

3 (1) RELATIONSHIP TO NATIONAL PARK  
4 UNITS.—The Secretary shall—

5 (A) ensure, to the maximum extent prac-  
6 ticable, participation and assistance by any ad-  
7 ministrator of a unit of the National Park Sys-  
8 tem that is located near or encompassed by a  
9 National Heritage Area in local initiatives for  
10 the National Heritage Area to conserve and in-  
11 terpret resources consistent with the applicable  
12 management plan for the National Heritage  
13 Area; and

14 (B) work with local coordinating entities to  
15 promote public enjoyment of units of the Na-  
16 tional Park System and National Park-related  
17 resources.

18 (2) TREATMENT.—

19 (A) IN GENERAL.—A National Heritage  
20 Area shall not be—

21 (i) considered to be a unit of the Na-  
22 tional Park System; or

23 (ii) subject to the authorities applica-  
24 ble to units of the National Park System.

1                   (B) EFFECT.—Nothing in this paragraph  
2                   affects the administration of a unit of the Na-  
3                   tional Park System located within the bound-  
4                   aries of a National Heritage Area.

5           (d) AUTHORITIES.—In carrying out this Act, the Sec-  
6   retary may—

7                   (1) conduct or review, as applicable, feasibility  
8                   studies in accordance with section 4(a);

9                   (2) conduct an evaluation of the accomplish-  
10                  ments of, and submit to Congress a report that in-  
11                  cludes recommendations regarding the role of Na-  
12                  tional Park Service with respect to, each National  
13                  Heritage Area, in accordance with section 5;

14                  (3) enter into cooperative agreements with  
15                  other Federal agencies, States, Tribal governments,  
16                  local governments, local coordinating entities, and  
17                  other interested individuals and entities to achieve  
18                  the purposes of the National Heritage Area System;

19                  (4) provide information, promote under-  
20                  standing, and encourage research regarding National  
21                  Heritage Areas, in partnership with local coordi-  
22                  nating entities; and

23                  (5) provide national oversight, analysis, coordi-  
24                  nation, technical and financial assistance, and sup-

1 port to ensure consistency and accountability of the  
2 National Heritage Area System.

3 **SEC. 4. NATIONAL HERITAGE AREA STUDIES AND DESIGNA-**  
4 **TION.**

5 (a) STUDIES.—

6 (1) IN GENERAL.—Subject to the availability of  
7 appropriations, the Secretary may carry out or re-  
8 view a study to assess the suitability and feasibility  
9 of each proposed National Heritage Area for des-  
10 ignation as a National Heritage Area.

11 (2) PREPARATION.—

12 (A) IN GENERAL.—A study under para-  
13 graph (1) may be carried out—

14 (i) by the Secretary, in consultation  
15 with State and local historic preservation  
16 officers, State and local historical societies,  
17 State and local tourism offices, and other  
18 appropriate organizations and govern-  
19 mental agencies; or

20 (ii) by interested individuals or enti-  
21 ties, if the Secretary certifies that the com-  
22 pleted study meets the requirements of  
23 paragraph (3).

24 (B) CERTIFICATION.—Not later than 1  
25 year after receiving a study carried out by in-



1 (i) to conserve natural, historic, cul-  
2 tural, or scenic features; and

3 (ii) for recreation and education;

4 (D) contains resources that—

5 (i) are important to any identified  
6 themes of the proposed National Heritage  
7 Area; and

8 (ii) retain a degree of integrity capa-  
9 ble of supporting interpretation;

10 (E) includes residents, business interests,  
11 nonprofit organizations, and State and local  
12 governments that—

13 (i) are involved in the planning of the  
14 proposed National Heritage Area;

15 (ii) have developed a conceptual finan-  
16 cial plan that outlines the roles of all par-  
17 ticipants in the proposed National Herit-  
18 age Area, including the Federal Govern-  
19 ment; and

20 (iii) have demonstrated support for  
21 the designation of the proposed National  
22 Heritage Area;

23 (F) has a potential management entity to  
24 work in partnership with the individuals and  
25 entities described in subparagraph (E) to de-

1           velop the proposed National Heritage Area  
2           while encouraging State and local economic ac-  
3           tivity; and

4                   (G) has a conceptual boundary map that is  
5           supported by the public.

6           (4) REPORT.—

7                   (A) IN GENERAL.—For each study carried  
8           out under paragraph (1), the Secretary shall  
9           submit to the Committee on Energy and Nat-  
10          ural Resources of the Senate and the Com-  
11          mittee on Natural Resources of the House of  
12          Representatives a report that describes—

13                   (i) the findings of the study; and

14                   (ii) any conclusions and recommenda-  
15          tions of the Secretary.

16          (B) TIMING.—

17                   (i) STUDIES CARRIED OUT BY THE  
18          SECRETARY.—With respect to a study car-  
19          ried out by the Secretary in accordance  
20          with paragraph (2)(A)(i), the Secretary  
21          shall submit a report under subparagraph  
22          (A) not later than 3 years after the date  
23          on which funds are first made available to  
24          carry out the study.



1                   (ii) STUDIES CARRIED OUT BY OTHER  
2                   INTERESTED PARTIES.—With respect to a  
3                   study carried out by interested individuals  
4                   or entities in accordance with paragraph  
5                   (2)(A)(ii), the Secretary shall submit a re-  
6                   port under subparagraph (A) not later  
7                   than 180 days after the date on which the  
8                   Secretary certifies under paragraph (2)(B)  
9                   that the study meets the requirements of  
10                  paragraph (3).

11               (b) DESIGNATION.—An area shall be designated as  
12 a National Heritage Area only by an Act of Congress.

13 **SEC. 5. EVALUATION.**

14               (a) IN GENERAL.—At reasonable and appropriate in-  
15 tervals, as determined by the Secretary, the Secretary  
16 may—

17               (1) conduct an evaluation of the accomplish-  
18 ments of a National Heritage Area in accordance  
19 with subsection (b); and

20               (2) prepare and submit to the Committee on  
21 Energy and Natural Resources of the Senate and  
22 the Committee on Natural Resources of the House  
23 of Representatives a report that includes rec-  
24 ommendations for the continued role of the National

1 Park Service with respect to each National Heritage  
2 Area in accordance with subsection (c).

3 (b) COMPONENTS.—An evaluation under subsection  
4 (a)(1) shall—

5 (1) assess the progress of the applicable local  
6 coordinating entity of a National Heritage Area with  
7 respect to—

8 (A) accomplishing the purposes of the ap-  
9 plicable National Heritage Area; and

10 (B) achieving the goals and objectives of  
11 the management plan;

12 (2) analyze Federal, State, local, Tribal govern-  
13 ment, and private investments in the National Herit-  
14 age Area to determine the leverage and impact of  
15 the investments; and

16 (3) review the management structure, partner-  
17 ship relationships, and funding of the National Her-  
18 itage Area for purposes of identifying the critical  
19 components for sustainability of the National Herit-  
20 age Area.

21 (c) RECOMMENDATIONS.—Each report under sub-  
22 section (a)(2) shall include—

23 (1) if the report contains a recommendation of  
24 the Secretary that Federal funding for the applicable

1 National Heritage Area should be continued, an  
2 analysis of—

3 (A) any means by which that Federal  
4 funding may be reduced or eliminated over  
5 time; and

6 (B) the appropriate time period necessary  
7 to achieve the recommended reduction or elimi-  
8 nation of Federal funding; or

9 (2) if the report contains a recommendation of  
10 the Secretary that Federal funding for the applicable  
11 National Heritage Area should be eliminated, a de-  
12 scription of potential impacts on conservation, inter-  
13 pretation, and sustainability in the applicable Na-  
14 tional Heritage Area.

15 (d) CONFORMING AMENDMENT.—Section 3052(a) of  
16 Public Law 113–291 (54 U.S.C. 320101 note) is amended  
17 by striking paragraph (2).

18 **SEC. 6. PRIVATE PROPERTY AND REGULATORY PROTEC-**  
19 **TIONS.**

20 (a) IN GENERAL.—Nothing in this Act (including an  
21 amendment made by this Act)—

22 (1) abridges any right of a public or private  
23 property owner, including the right to refrain from  
24 participating in any plan, project, program, or activ-  
25 ity conducted within a National Heritage Area;

1           (2) requires any property owner to permit pub-  
2           lic access (including Federal, State, Tribal govern-  
3           ment, or local government access) to a property;

4           (3) modifies any provision of Federal, State,  
5           Tribal, or local law with respect to public access or  
6           use of private land;

7           (4)(A) alters any applicable land use regulation,  
8           land use plan, or other regulatory authority of any  
9           Federal, State, or local agency or Tribal govern-  
10          ment; or

11          (B) conveys to any local coordinating entity any  
12          land use or other regulatory authority;

13          (5) authorizes or implies the reservation or ap-  
14          propriation of water or water rights;

15          (6) diminishes the authority of a State to man-  
16          age fish and wildlife, including through the regula-  
17          tion of fishing and hunting within a National Herit-  
18          age Area in the State; or

19          (7) creates or affects any liability—

20                  (A) under any other provision of law; or

21                  (B) of any private property owner with re-  
22          spect to any person injured on private property.

23          (b) CONFORMING AMENDMENT.—Section 8004(f) of  
24          the Omnibus Public Land Management Act of 2009 (54  
25          U.S.C. 320101 note; Public Law 111–11; 123 Stat. 1245)

1 is amended by striking paragraphs (2) through (4) and  
2 inserting the following:

3 “(2) requires any property owner to permit  
4 public access (including Federal, State, Tribal gov-  
5 ernment, or local government access) to a property;

6 “(3) modifies any provision of Federal, State,  
7 Tribal, or local law with respect to public access or  
8 use of private land;

9 “(4)(A) alters any applicable land use regula-  
10 tion, land use plan, or other regulatory authority of  
11 any Federal, State, or local agency or Tribal govern-  
12 ment; or

13 “(B) conveys to any local coordinating entity  
14 any land use or other regulatory authority;”.

15 **SEC. 7. AUTHORIZATION OF CERTAIN NATIONAL HERITAGE**

16 **AREA STUDIES.**

17 (a) GREAT DISMAL SWAMP NATIONAL HERITAGE  
18 AREA STUDY.—

19 (1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary, in consulta-  
20 tion with State and local organizations and govern-  
21 mental agencies, Tribal governments, nonprofit orga-  
22 nizations, and other appropriate entities and in ac-  
23 cordance with section 4(a), shall conduct a study to  
24 assess the suitability and feasibility of designating  
25 the areas described in paragraph (2) in the States

1 of Virginia and North Carolina as a national herit-  
2 age area, to be known as the “Great Dismal Swamp  
3 National Heritage Area”.

4 (2) DESCRIPTION OF STUDY AREA.—The areas  
5 to be studied under paragraph (1) include—

6 (A) the cities of Chesapeake, Norfolk,  
7 Portsmouth, and Suffolk in the State of Vir-  
8 ginia;

9 (B) Isle of Wight County in the State of  
10 Virginia;

11 (C) Camden, Currituck, Gates, and  
12 Pasquotank Counties in the State of North  
13 Carolina; and

14 (D) any other area in the State of Virginia  
15 or North Carolina that—

16 (i) has heritage aspects that are simi-  
17 lar to the heritage aspects of an area de-  
18 scribed in subparagraph (A), (B), or (C);  
19 and

20 (ii) is adjacent to, or in the vicinity of,  
21 an area described in subparagraph (A),  
22 (B), or (C).

23 (b) GUAM NATIONAL HERITAGE AREA STUDY.—The  
24 Secretary, in consultation with appropriate regional and  
25 local organizations or agencies, and in accordance with

1 section 4(a), shall conduct a study to assess the suitability  
2 and feasibility of designating sites in Guam as a National  
3 Heritage Area.

4 **SEC. 8. NATIONAL HERITAGE AREA DESIGNATIONS.**

5 (a) DESIGNATIONS.—Section 6001(a) of the John D.  
6 Dingell, Jr. Conservation, Management, and Recreation  
7 Act (Public Law 116–9; 133 Stat. 768) is amended by  
8 adding at the end the following:

9 “(7) ALABAMA BLACK BELT NATIONAL HERIT-  
10 AGE AREA.—

11 “(A) IN GENERAL.—There is established  
12 the Alabama Black Belt National Heritage  
13 Area in the State of Alabama, as depicted on  
14 the map entitled ‘Alabama Black Belt Proposed  
15 National Heritage Area’, numbered 258/  
16 177,272, and dated September 2021.

17 “(B) LOCAL COORDINATING ENTITY.—The  
18 Center for the Study of the Black Belt at the  
19 University of West Alabama shall be the local  
20 coordinating entity for the National Heritage  
21 Area designated by subparagraph (A).

22 “(8) DOWNEAST MAINE NATIONAL HERITAGE  
23 AREA.—

24 “(A) IN GENERAL.—There is established  
25 the Downeast Maine National Heritage Area in

1 the State of Maine, consisting of Hancock and  
2 Washington Counties, Maine.

3 “(B) LOCAL COORDINATING ENTITY.—The  
4 Sunrise County Economic Council shall be the  
5 local coordinating entity for the National Herit-  
6 age Area designated by subparagraph (A).

7 “(9) NORTHERN NECK NATIONAL HERITAGE  
8 AREA, VIRGINIA.—

9 “(A) IN GENERAL.—There is established  
10 the Northern Neck National Heritage Area in  
11 the State of Virginia, as depicted on the map  
12 entitled ‘Northern Neck National Heritage Area  
13 Proposed Boundary’, numbered 671/177,224,  
14 and dated August 2021.

15 “(B) LOCAL COORDINATING ENTITY.—The  
16 Northern Neck Tourism Commission, a working  
17 committee of the Northern Neck Planning Dis-  
18 trict Commission, shall serve as the local co-  
19 ordinating entity for the National Heritage  
20 Area designated by subparagraph (A).

21 “(10) SOUTHERN CAMPAIGN OF THE REVOLU-  
22 TION NATIONAL HERITAGE CORRIDOR, NORTH CARO-  
23 LINA AND SOUTH CAROLINA.—

24 “(A) IN GENERAL.—There is established  
25 the Southern Campaign of the Revolution Na-



1 tional Heritage Corridor in the States of North  
2 Carolina and South Carolina, as depicted on the  
3 map entitled ‘Southern Campaign of the Revo-  
4 lution Proposed National Heritage Corridor’,  
5 numbered 257/177,271, and dated September  
6 2021.

7 “(B) LOCAL COORDINATING ENTITY.—The  
8 University of South Carolina shall be the local  
9 coordinating entity for the National Heritage  
10 Area designated by subparagraph (A).

11 “(11) SOUTHERN MARYLAND NATIONAL HERIT-  
12 AGE AREA.—

13 “(A) IN GENERAL.—There is established  
14 the Southern Maryland National Heritage Area  
15 in the State of Maryland, as depicted on the  
16 map entitled ‘Southern Maryland National Her-  
17 itage Area Proposed Boundary’, numbered 672/  
18 177,225B, and dated November 2021.

19 “(B) LOCAL COORDINATING ENTITY.—The  
20 Tri-County Council for Southern Maryland  
21 shall be the local coordinating entity for the  
22 National Heritage Area designated by subpara-  
23 graph (A).”.

24 (b) MANAGEMENT PLANS.—For the purposes of sec-  
25 tion 6001(c) of the John D. Dingell, Jr. Conservation,

1 Management, and Recreation Act (Public Law 116–9; 133  
2 Stat. 772), the local coordinating entity for each of the  
3 National Heritage Areas designated under the amendment  
4 made by subsection (a) shall submit to the Secretary for  
5 approval a proposed management plan for the applicable  
6 National Heritage Area not later than 3 years after the  
7 date of enactment of this Act.

8 **SEC. 9. EXTENSION OF CERTAIN NATIONAL HERITAGE**  
9 **AREA AUTHORITIES.**

10 (a) EXTENSIONS.—

11 (1) ILLINOIS AND MICHIGAN CANAL NATIONAL  
12 HERITAGE CORRIDOR.—Section 126 of the Illinois  
13 and Michigan Canal National Heritage Corridor Act  
14 of 1984 (54 U.S.C. 320101 note; Public Law 98–  
15 398; 98 Stat. 1456; 120 Stat. 1853), as amended by  
16 section 119(a) of the Department of the Interior,  
17 Environment, and Related Agencies Appropriations  
18 Act, 2022 (Public Law 117–103), is amended by  
19 striking “2023” and inserting “September 30,  
20 2037”.

21 (2) JOHN H. CHAFEE BLACKSTONE RIVER VAL-  
22 LEY NATIONAL HERITAGE CORRIDOR.—Section 10(a)  
23 of Public Law 99–647 (54 U.S.C. 320101 note; 100  
24 Stat. 3630; 104 Stat. 1018; 128 Stat. 3804), as  
25 amended by section 119(b) of the Department of the

1 Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies Appro-  
2 priations Act, 2022 (Public Law 117–103), is  
3 amended by striking “2023” and inserting “2037”.

4 (3) DELAWARE AND LEHIGH NATIONAL HERIT-  
5 AGE CORRIDOR.—Section 12 of the Delaware and  
6 Lehigh Navigation Canal National Heritage Cor-  
7 ridor Act of 1988 (54 U.S.C. 320101 note; Public  
8 Law 100–692; 102 Stat. 4558; 112 Stat. 3260; 123  
9 Stat. 1293; 127 Stat. 420; 128 Stat. 314; 128 Stat.  
10 3801), as amended by section 119(c) of the Depart-  
11 ment of the Interior, Environment, and Related  
12 Agencies Appropriations Act, 2022 (Public Law  
13 117–103), is amended—

14 (A) in subsection (c)(1), by striking  
15 “2023” and inserting “2037”; and

16 (B) in subsection (d), by striking “2023”  
17 and inserting “2037”.

18 (4) THE LAST GREEN VALLEY NATIONAL HER-  
19 ITAGE CORRIDOR.—Section 106(b) of the Quinebaug  
20 and Shetucket Rivers Valley National Heritage Cor-  
21 ridor Act of 1994 (54 U.S.C. 320101 note; Public  
22 Law 103–449; 108 Stat. 4755; 113 Stat. 1728; 123  
23 Stat. 1291; 128 Stat. 3802), as amended by section  
24 119(d) of the Department of the Interior, Environ-  
25 ment, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act,

1       2022 (Public Law 117–103), is amended by striking  
2       “2023” and inserting “2037”.

3           (5) NATIONAL COAL HERITAGE AREA.—Section  
4       107 of the National Coal Heritage Area Act of 1996  
5       (54 U.S.C. 320101 note; Public Law 104–333; 110  
6       Stat. 4244; 127 Stat. 420; 128 Stat. 314; 128 Stat.  
7       3801), as amended by section 119(e)(1) of the De-  
8       partment of the Interior, Environment, and Related  
9       Agencies Appropriations Act, 2022 (Public Law  
10      117–103), is amended by striking “2023” and in-  
11     serting “2037”.

12          (6) TENNESSEE CIVIL WAR HERITAGE AREA.—  
13      Section 208 of division II of the Omnibus Parks and  
14      Public Lands Management Act of 1996 (54 U.S.C.  
15      320101 note; Public Law 104–333; 110 Stat. 4248;  
16      127 Stat. 420; 128 Stat. 314; 129 Stat. 2551; 132  
17      Stat. 661; 133 Stat. 778), as amended by section  
18      119(e)(9) of the Department of the Interior, Envi-  
19      ronment, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act,  
20      2022 (Public Law 117–103), is amended by striking  
21      “2023” and inserting “2037”.

22          (7) AUGUSTA CANAL NATIONAL HERITAGE COR-  
23      RIDOR.—Section 310 of division II of the Omnibus  
24      Parks and Public Lands Management Act of 1996  
25      (54 U.S.C. 320101 note; Public Law 104–333; 110

1 Stat. 4252; 127 Stat. 420; 128 Stat. 314; 129 Stat.  
2 2551; 132 Stat. 661; 133 Stat. 778), as amended by  
3 section 119(e)(7) of the Department of the Interior,  
4 Environment, and Related Agencies Appropriations  
5 Act, 2022 (Public Law 117–103), is amended by  
6 striking “2023” and inserting “2037”.

7 (8) RIVERS OF STEEL NATIONAL HERITAGE  
8 AREA.—Section 408 of the Steel Industry American  
9 Heritage Area Act of 1996 (54 U.S.C. 320101 note;  
10 Public Law 104–333; 110 Stat. 4256; 127 Stat.  
11 420; 128 Stat. 314; 128 Stat. 3801), as amended by  
12 section 119(e)(2) of the Department of the Interior,  
13 Environment, and Related Agencies Appropriations  
14 Act, 2022 (Public Law 117–103), is amended by  
15 striking “2023” and inserting “2037”.

16 (9) ESSEX NATIONAL HERITAGE AREA.—Sec-  
17 tion 507 of division II of the Omnibus Parks and  
18 Public Lands Management Act of 1996 (54 U.S.C.  
19 320101 note; Public Law 104–333; 110 Stat. 4260;  
20 127 Stat. 420; 128 Stat. 314; 128 Stat. 3801), as  
21 amended by section 119(e)(3) of the Department of  
22 the Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies Ap-  
23 propriations Act, 2022 (Public Law 117–103), is  
24 amended by striking “2023” and inserting “2037”.

1           (10) SOUTH CAROLINA NATIONAL HERITAGE  
2           CORRIDOR.—Section 607 of the South Carolina Na-  
3           tional Heritage Corridor Act of 1996 (54 U.S.C.  
4           320101 note; Public Law 104–333; 110 Stat. 4264;  
5           127 Stat. 420; 128 Stat. 314; 129 Stat. 2551; 132  
6           Stat. 661; 133 Stat. 778), as amended by section  
7           119(e)(8) of the Department of the Interior, Envi-  
8           ronment, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act,  
9           2022 (Public Law 117–103), is amended by striking  
10          “2023” and inserting “2037”.

11          (11) AMERICA’S AGRICULTURAL HERITAGE  
12          PARTNERSHIP.—Section 707 of division II of the  
13          Omnibus Parks and Public Lands Management Act  
14          of 1996 (54 U.S.C. 320101 note; Public Law 104–  
15          333; 110 Stat. 4267; 127 Stat. 420; 128 Stat. 314;  
16          128 Stat. 3801), as amended by section 119(e)(4) of  
17          the Department of the Interior, Environment, and  
18          Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2022 (Public  
19          Law 117–103), is amended by striking “2023” and  
20          inserting “2037”.

21          (12) OHIO & ERIE NATIONAL HERITAGE  
22          CANALWAY.—Section 809 of the Ohio & Erie Canal  
23          National Heritage Corridor Act of 1996 (54 U.S.C.  
24          320101 note; Public Law 104–333; 110 Stat. 4275;  
25          122 Stat. 826; 127 Stat. 420; 128 Stat. 314; 128

1 Stat. 3801), as amended by section 119(e)(5) of the  
2 Department of the Interior, Environment, and Re-  
3 lated Agencies Appropriations Act, 2022 (Public  
4 Law 117–103), is amended by striking “2023” and  
5 inserting “2037”.

6 (13) MAURICE D. HINCHEY HUDSON RIVER  
7 VALLEY NATIONAL HERITAGE AREA.—Section 910 of  
8 division II of Public Law 104–333 (54 U.S.C.  
9 320101 note; 110 Stat. 4281; 127 Stat. 420; 128  
10 Stat. 314; 128 Stat. 3801), as amended by section  
11 119(e)(6) of the Department of the Interior, Envi-  
12 ronment, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act,  
13 2022 (Public Law 117–103), is amended by striking  
14 “2023” and inserting “2037”.

15 (14) MOTORCITIES NATIONAL HERITAGE  
16 AREA.—Section 109 of the Automobile National  
17 Heritage Area Act (54 U.S.C. 320101 note; Public  
18 Law 105–355; 112 Stat. 3252; 128 Stat. 3802), as  
19 amended by section 119(f) of the Department of the  
20 Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies Appro-  
21 priations Act, 2022 (Public Law 117–103), is  
22 amended by striking “2023” and inserting “2037”.

23 (15) LACKAWANNA VALLEY NATIONAL HERIT-  
24 AGE AREA.—Section 108 of the Lackawanna Valley  
25 National Heritage Area Act of 2000 (54 U.S.C.

1       320101 note; Public Law 106–278; 114 Stat. 818;  
2       127 Stat. 420; 128 Stat. 314; 128 Stat. 3802), as  
3       amended by section 119(g)(1) of the Department of  
4       the Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies Ap-  
5       propriations Act, 2022 (Public Law 117–103), is  
6       amended by striking “2023” and inserting “2037”.

7           (16) SCHUYLKILL RIVER VALLEY NATIONAL  
8       HERITAGE AREA.—Section 209 of the Schuylkill  
9       River Valley Heritage Area Act (54 U.S.C. 320101  
10      note; Public Law 106–278; 114 Stat. 824; 128 Stat.  
11      3802), as amended by section 119(g)(2) of the De-  
12      partment of the Interior, Environment, and Related  
13      Agencies Appropriations Act, 2022 (Public Law  
14      117–103), is amended by striking “2023” and in-  
15      serting “2037”.

16           (17) WHEELING NATIONAL HERITAGE AREA.—  
17      Subsection (i) of the Wheeling National Heritage  
18      Area Act of 2000 (54 U.S.C. 320101 note; Public  
19      Law 106–291; 114 Stat. 967; 128 Stat. 3802), as  
20      amended by section 119(h) of the Department of the  
21      Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies Appro-  
22      priations Act, 2022 (Public Law 117–103), is  
23      amended by striking “2023” and inserting “2037”.

24           (18) YUMA CROSSING NATIONAL HERITAGE  
25      AREA.—Section 7 of the Yuma Crossing National



1 Heritage Area Act of 2000 (54 U.S.C. 320101 note;  
2 Public Law 106–319; 114 Stat. 1284; 128 Stat.  
3 3802), as amended by section 119(i) of the Depart-  
4 ment of the Interior, Environment, and Related  
5 Agencies Appropriations Act, 2022 (Public Law  
6 117–103), is amended by striking “2023” and in-  
7 serting “2037”.

8 (19) ERIE CANALWAY NATIONAL HERITAGE  
9 CORRIDOR.—Section 811 of the Erie Canalway Na-  
10 tional Heritage Corridor Act (54 U.S.C. 320101  
11 note; Public Law 106–554; 114 Stat. 2763A–295;  
12 128 Stat. 3802), as amended by section 119(j) of  
13 the Department of the Interior, Environment, and  
14 Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2022 (Public  
15 Law 117–103), is amended by striking “2023” and  
16 inserting “2037”.

17 (20) BLUE RIDGE NATIONAL HERITAGE  
18 AREA.—Subsection (j) of the Blue Ridge National  
19 Heritage Area Act of 2003 (54 U.S.C. 320101 note;  
20 Public Law 108–108; 117 Stat. 1280; 133 Stat.  
21 778), as amended by section 119(k) of the Depart-  
22 ment of the Interior, Environment, and Related  
23 Agencies Appropriations Act, 2022 (Public Law  
24 117–103), is amended by striking “2023” and in-  
25 serting “2037”.

1           (21) NATIONAL AVIATION HERITAGE AREA.—  
2           Section 512 of the National Aviation Heritage Area  
3           Act (54 U.S.C. 320101 note; Public Law 108–447;  
4           118 Stat. 3367; 133 Stat. 2713) is amended by  
5           striking “September 30, 2022” and inserting “Sep-  
6           tember 30, 2037”.

7           (22) OIL REGION NATIONAL HERITAGE AREA.—  
8           Section 608 of the Oil Region National Heritage  
9           Area Act (54 U.S.C. 320101 note; Public Law 108–  
10          447; 118 Stat. 3372; 133 Stat. 2713) is amended by  
11          striking “September 30, 2022” and inserting “Sep-  
12          tember 30, 2037”.

13          (23) NORTHERN RIO GRANDE NATIONAL HERIT-  
14          AGE AREA.—Section 208 of the Northern Rio  
15          Grande National Heritage Area Act (54 U.S.C.  
16          320101 note; Public Law 109–338; 120 Stat. 1790),  
17          as amended by section 119(l)(1) of the Department  
18          of the Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies  
19          Appropriations Act, 2022 (Public Law 117–103), is  
20          amended by striking “September 30, 2023” and in-  
21          serting “September 30, 2037”.

22          (24) ATCHAFALAYA NATIONAL HERITAGE  
23          AREA.—Section 221 of the Atchafalaya National  
24          Heritage Area Act (54 U.S.C. 320101 note; Public  
25          Law 109–338; 120 Stat. 1795), as amended by sec-

1       tion 119(l)(1) of the Department of the Interior,  
2       Environment, and Related Agencies Appropriations  
3       Act, 2022 (Public Law 117–103), is amended by  
4       striking “September 30, 2023” and inserting “Sep-  
5       tember 30, 2037”.

6               (25) ARABIA MOUNTAIN NATIONAL HERITAGE  
7       AREA.—Section 240 of the Arabia Mountain Na-  
8       tional Heritage Area Act (54 U.S.C. 320101 note;  
9       Public Law 109–338; 120 Stat. 1799), as amended  
10      by section 119(l)(1) of the Department of the Inte-  
11      rior, Environment, and Related Agencies Appropria-  
12      tions Act, 2022 (Public Law 117–103), is amended  
13      by striking “September 30, 2023” and inserting  
14      “September 30, 2037”.

15              (26) MORMON PIONEER NATIONAL HERITAGE  
16      AREA.—Section 260 of the Mormon Pioneer Na-  
17      tional Heritage Area Act (54 U.S.C. 320101 note;  
18      Public Law 109–338; 120 Stat. 1807), as amended  
19      by section 119(l)(1) of the Department of the Inte-  
20      rior, Environment, and Related Agencies Appropria-  
21      tions Act, 2022 (Public Law 117–103), is amended  
22      by striking “September 30, 2023” and inserting  
23      “September 30, 2037”.

24              (27) FREEDOM’S FRONTIER NATIONAL HERIT-  
25      AGE AREA.—Section 269 of the Freedom’s Frontier

1 National Heritage Area Act (54 U.S.C. 320101  
2 note; Public Law 109–338; 120 Stat. 1813), as  
3 amended by section 119(l)(1) of the Department of  
4 the Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies Ap-  
5 propriations Act, 2022 (Public Law 117–103), is  
6 amended by striking “September 30, 2023” and in-  
7 serting “September 30, 2037”.

8 (28) UPPER HOUSATONIC VALLEY NATIONAL  
9 HERITAGE AREA.—Section 280B of the Upper  
10 Housatonic Valley National Heritage Area Act (54  
11 U.S.C. 320101 note; Public Law 109–338; 120 Stat.  
12 1819), as amended by section 119(l)(2) of the De-  
13 partment of the Interior, Environment, and Related  
14 Agencies Appropriations Act, 2022 (Public Law  
15 117–103), is amended by striking “September 30,  
16 2023” and inserting “September 30, 2037”.

17 (29) CHAMPLAIN VALLEY NATIONAL HERITAGE  
18 PARTNERSHIP.—Section 289 of the Champlain Val-  
19 ley National Heritage Partnership Act of 2006 (54  
20 U.S.C. 320101 note; Public Law 109–338; 120 Stat.  
21 1824), as amended by section 119(l)(1) of the De-  
22 partment of the Interior, Environment, and Related  
23 Agencies Appropriations Act, 2022 (Public Law  
24 117–103), is amended by striking “September 30,  
25 2023” and inserting “September 30, 2037”.

1           (30) GREAT BASIN NATIONAL HERITAGE  
2 ROUTE.—Section 291J of the Great Basin National  
3 Heritage Route Act (54 U.S.C. 320101 note; Public  
4 Law 109–338; 120 Stat. 1831), as amended by sec-  
5 tion 119(l)(1) of the Department of the Interior,  
6 Environment, and Related Agencies Appropriations  
7 Act, 2022 (Public Law 117–103), is amended by  
8 striking “September 30, 2023” and inserting “Sep-  
9 tember 30, 2037”.

10           (31) GULLAH/GEECHEE CULTURAL HERITAGE  
11 CORRIDOR.—Section 295L of the Gullah/Geechee  
12 Cultural Heritage Act (54 U.S.C. 320101 note; Pub-  
13 lic Law 109–338; 120 Stat. 1837), as amended by  
14 section 119(l)(1) of the Department of the Interior,  
15 Environment, and Related Agencies Appropriations  
16 Act, 2022 (Public Law 117–103), is amended by  
17 striking “September 30, 2023” and inserting “Sep-  
18 tember 30, 2037”.

19           (32) CROSSROADS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLU-  
20 TION NATIONAL HERITAGE AREA.—Section 297H of  
21 the Crossroads of the American Revolution National  
22 Heritage Area Act of 2006 (54 U.S.C. 320101 note;  
23 Public Law 109–338; 120 Stat. 1844), as amended  
24 by section 119(l)(1) of the Department of the Inte-  
25 rior, Environment, and Related Agencies Appropria-

1 tions Act, 2022 (Public Law 117–103), is amended  
2 by striking “September 30, 2023” and inserting  
3 “September 30, 2037”.

4 (33) ABRAHAM LINCOLN NATIONAL HERITAGE  
5 AREA.—Section 451 of the Consolidated Natural Re-  
6 sources Act of 2008 (54 U.S.C. 320101 note; Public  
7 Law 110–229; 122 Stat. 824) is amended by strik-  
8 ing “the date that is 15 years after the date of the  
9 enactment of this subtitle” and inserting “Sep-  
10 tember 30, 2037”.

11 (34) JOURNEY THROUGH HALLOWED GROUND  
12 NATIONAL HERITAGE AREA.—Section 411 of the  
13 Consolidated Natural Resources Act of 2008 (54  
14 U.S.C. 320101 note; Public Law 110–229; 122 Stat.  
15 809) is amended by striking “the date that is 15  
16 years after the date of enactment of this subtitle”  
17 and inserting “September 30, 2037”.

18 (35) NIAGARA FALLS NATIONAL HERITAGE  
19 AREA.—Section 432 of the Consolidated Natural Re-  
20 sources Act of 2008 (54 U.S.C. 320101 note; Public  
21 Law 110–229; 122 Stat. 818) is amended by strik-  
22 ing “the date that is 15 years after the date of en-  
23 actment of this Act” and inserting “September 30,  
24 2037”.

1           (36) SANGRE DE CRISTO NATIONAL HERITAGE  
2           AREA.—Section 8001(i) of the Omnibus Public Land  
3           Management Act of 2009 (54 U.S.C. 320101 note;  
4           Public Law 111–11; 123 Stat. 1229) is amended by  
5           striking “the date that is 15 years after the date of  
6           enactment of this Act” and inserting “September  
7           30, 2037”.

8           (37) CACHE LA POUDDRE RIVER NATIONAL HER-  
9           ITAGE AREA.—Section 8002(i) of the Omnibus Pub-  
10          lic Land Management Act of 2009 (54 U.S.C.  
11          320101 note; Public Law 111–11; 123 Stat. 1234)  
12          is amended by striking “the date that is 15 years  
13          after the date of enactment of this Act” and insert-  
14          ing “September 30, 2037”.

15          (38) SOUTH PARK NATIONAL HERITAGE  
16          AREA.—Section 8003(i) of the Omnibus Public Land  
17          Management Act of 2009 (54 U.S.C. 320101 note;  
18          Public Law 111–11; 123 Stat. 1240) is amended by  
19          striking “the date that is 15 years after the date of  
20          enactment of this Act” and inserting “September  
21          30, 2037”.

22          (39) NORTHERN PLAINS NATIONAL HERITAGE  
23          AREA.—Section 8004(j) of the Omnibus Public Land  
24          Management Act of 2009 (54 U.S.C. 320101 note;  
25          Public Law 111–11; 123 Stat. 1247; 123 Stat.

1       2929) is amended by striking “the date that is 15  
2       years after the date of enactment of this Act” and  
3       inserting “September 30, 2037”.

4           (40) BALTIMORE NATIONAL HERITAGE AREA.—  
5       Section 8005(i) of the Omnibus Public Land Man-  
6       agement Act of 2009 (54 U.S.C. 320101 note; Pub-  
7       lic Law 111–11; 123 Stat. 1253) is amended by  
8       striking “the date that is 15 years after the date of  
9       enactment of this Act” and inserting “September  
10      30, 2037”.

11          (41) FREEDOM’S WAY NATIONAL HERITAGE  
12      AREA.—Section 8006(i) of the Omnibus Public Land  
13      Management Act of 2009 (54 U.S.C. 320101 note;  
14      Public Law 111–11; 123 Stat. 1260) is amended by  
15      striking “the date that is 15 years after the date of  
16      enactment of this Act” and inserting “September  
17      30, 2037”.

18          (42) MISSISSIPPI HILLS NATIONAL HERITAGE  
19      AREA.—Section 8007(i) of the Omnibus Public Land  
20      Management Act of 2009 (54 U.S.C. 320101 note;  
21      Public Law 111–11; 123 Stat. 1267) is amended by  
22      striking “the date that is 15 years after the date of  
23      enactment of this Act” and inserting “September  
24      30, 2037”.



1           (43) MISSISSIPPI DELTA NATIONAL HERITAGE  
2           AREA.—Section 8008(i) of the Omnibus Public Land  
3           Management Act of 2009 (54 U.S.C. 320101 note;  
4           Public Law 111–11; 123 Stat. 1275) is amended by  
5           striking “the date that is 15 years after the date of  
6           enactment of this Act” and inserting “September  
7           30, 2037”.

8           (44) MUSCLE SHOALS NATIONAL HERITAGE  
9           AREA.—Section 8009(j) of the Omnibus Public Land  
10          Management Act of 2009 (54 U.S.C. 320101 note;  
11          Public Law 111–11; 123 Stat. 1282) is amended by  
12          striking “the date that is 15 years after the date of  
13          enactment of this Act” and inserting “September  
14          30, 2037”.

15          (45) KENAI MOUNTAINS-TURNAGAIN ARM NA-  
16          TIONAL HERITAGE AREA.—Section 8010(i) of the  
17          Omnibus Public Land Management Act of 2009 (54  
18          U.S.C. 320101 note; Public Law 111–11; 123 Stat.  
19          1288) is amended by striking “the date that is 15  
20          years after the date of enactment of this Act” and  
21          inserting “September 30, 2037”.

22          (b) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—There is  
23          authorized to be appropriated for each National Heritage  
24          Area extended under an amendment made by paragraphs  
25          (1) through (45) of subsection (a) not more than

1 \$1,000,000 for each of fiscal years 2023 through 2037,  
2 subject to any other applicable provisions of, but notwith-  
3 standing any limitation on total appropriations for the ap-  
4 plicable National Heritage Area established by, a law  
5 amended by that subsection.

6 **SEC. 10. AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS FOR CER-**  
7 **TAIN NATIONAL HERITAGE AREAS.**

8 (a) RIVERS OF STEEL NATIONAL HERITAGE  
9 AREA.—Section 409(a) of the Steel Industry American  
10 Heritage Area Act of 1996 (54 U.S.C. 320101 note; Pub-  
11 lic Law 104–333; 110 Stat. 4256; 129 Stat. 2551; 133  
12 Stat. 778) is amended, in the second sentence, by striking  
13 “\$20,000,000” and inserting “\$22,000,000”.

14 (b) ESSEX NATIONAL HERITAGE AREA.—Section  
15 508(a) of division II of the Omnibus Parks and Public  
16 Lands Management Act of 1996 (54 U.S.C. 320101 note;  
17 Public Law 104–333; 110 Stat. 4260; 129 Stat. 2551;  
18 133 Stat. 778) is amended, in the second sentence, by  
19 striking “\$20,000,000” and inserting “\$22,000,000”.

20 (c) SOUTH CAROLINA NATIONAL HERITAGE COR-  
21 RIDOR.—Section 608(a) of the South Carolina National  
22 Heritage Corridor Act of 1996 (54 U.S.C. 320101 note;  
23 Public Law 104–333; 110 Stat. 4264; 122 Stat. 824; 133  
24 Stat. 2714) is amended, in the second sentence, by strik-  
25 ing “\$17,000,000” and inserting “\$19,000,000”.

1 (d) AMERICA'S AGRICULTURAL HERITAGE PARTNER-  
2 SHIP.—Section 708(a) of division II of the Omnibus Parks  
3 and Public Lands Management Act of 1996 (54 U.S.C.  
4 320101 note; Public Law 104–333; 110 Stat. 4267; 122  
5 Stat. 824; 134 Stat. 1505) is amended, in the second sen-  
6 tence, by striking “\$17,000,000” and inserting  
7 “\$19,000,000”.

8 (e) OHIO & ERIE NATIONAL HERITAGE  
9 CANALWAY.—Section 812(a) of the Ohio & Erie Canal  
10 National Heritage Corridor Act of 1996 (54 U.S.C.  
11 320101 note; Public Law 104–333; 110 Stat. 4275; 133  
12 Stat. 778) is amended by striking “\$20,000,000” and in-  
13 serting “\$22,000,000”.

14 (f) MAURICE D. HINCHEY HUDSON RIVER VALLEY  
15 NATIONAL HERITAGE AREA.—Section 909(c) of division  
16 II of Public Law 104–333 (54 U.S.C. 320101 note; 110  
17 Stat. 4280; 122 Stat. 824) is amended, in the matter pre-  
18 ceding paragraph (1), by striking “\$15,000,000” and in-  
19 serting “\$17,000,000”.

20 (g) MOTORCITIES NATIONAL HERITAGE AREA.—  
21 Section 110(a) of the Automobile National Heritage Area  
22 Act (54 U.S.C. 320101 note; Public Law 105–355; 112  
23 Stat. 3252; 133 Stat. 778) is amended, in the second sen-  
24 tence, by striking “\$12,000,000” and inserting  
25 “\$14,000,000”.

1 (h) WHEELING NATIONAL HERITAGE AREA.—Sub-  
2 section (h)(1) of the Wheeling National Heritage Area Act  
3 of 2000 (54 U.S.C. 320101 note; Public Law 106–291;  
4 114 Stat. 967; 133 Stat. 778) is amended by striking  
5 “\$15,000,000” and inserting “\$17,000,000”.

6 (i) THE LAST GREEN VALLEY NATIONAL HERITAGE  
7 CORRIDOR.—Section 109(a) of the Quinebaug and  
8 Shetucket Rivers Valley National Heritage Corridor Act  
9 of 1994 (54 U.S.C. 320101 note; Public Law 103–449;  
10 108 Stat. 4756; 113 Stat. 1729; 123 Stat. 1292; 133  
11 Stat. 2714) is amended, in the first sentence, by striking  
12 “\$17,000,000” and inserting “\$19,000,000”.

13 (j) LACKAWANNA VALLEY NATIONAL HERITAGE  
14 AREA.—Section 109(a) of the Lackawanna Valley Na-  
15 tional Heritage Area Act of 2000 (54 U.S.C. 320101 note;  
16 Public Law 106–278; 114 Stat. 818; 134 Stat. 1505) is  
17 amended by striking “\$12,000,000” and inserting  
18 “\$14,000,000”.

19 (k) BLUE RIDGE NATIONAL HERITAGE AREA.—Sub-  
20 section (i)(1) of the Blue Ridge National Heritage Area  
21 Act of 2003 (54 U.S.C. 320101 note; Public Law 108–  
22 108; 117 Stat. 1280; 133 Stat. 778) is amended by strik-  
23 ing “\$14,000,000” and inserting “\$16,000,000”.

1 **SEC. 11. REDESIGNATIONS.**

2 (a) SILOS & SMOKESTACKS NATIONAL HERITAGE  
3 AREA.—

4 (1) REDESIGNATION.—The America’s Agricul-  
5 tural Heritage Partnership established by section  
6 703(a) of division II of the Omnibus Parks and Pub-  
7 lic Lands Management Act of 1996 (Public Law  
8 104–333; 110 Stat. 4266) shall be known and des-  
9 ignated as the “Silos & Smokestacks National Herit-  
10 age Area”.

11 (2) REFERENCES.—Any reference in a law,  
12 map, regulation, document, paper, or other record of  
13 the United States to the partnership referred to in  
14 subsection (a) shall be deemed to be a reference to  
15 the “Silos & Smokestacks National Heritage Area”.

16 (b) GREAT BASIN NATIONAL HERITAGE AREA.—

17 (1) DESIGNATION OF THE GREAT BASIN NA-  
18 TIONAL HERITAGE AREA.—The Great Basin Na-  
19 tional Heritage Route Act (54 U.S.C. 320101 note;  
20 Public Law 109–338; 120 Stat. 1824) is amended—

21 (A) by striking “the Heritage Route” each  
22 place it appears and inserting “the Heritage  
23 Area”;

24 (B) by striking “along” each place it ap-  
25 pears and inserting “in”;

1 (C) in the subtitle heading, by striking  
2 “**Route**” and inserting “**Area**”;

3 (D) in section 291, by striking “Route”  
4 and inserting “Area”;

5 (E) in section 291A(a)—

6 (i) in paragraphs (2) and (3), by  
7 striking “the Great Basin Heritage Route”  
8 each place it appears and inserting “the  
9 Great Basin National Heritage Area”; and

10 (ii) in paragraph (13), by striking “a  
11 Heritage Route” and inserting “a Heritage  
12 Area”;

13 (F) in section 291B, by striking paragraph  
14 (2) and inserting the following:

15 “(2) HERITAGE AREA.—The term ‘Heritage  
16 Area’ means the Great Basin National Heritage  
17 Area established by section 291C(a).”;

18 (G) in section 291C—

19 (i) in the section heading, by striking  
20 “**ROUTE**” and inserting “**AREA**”; and

21 (ii) in subsection (a), by striking  
22 “Heritage Route” and inserting “Heritage  
23 Area”; and

1 (H) in section 291L(d), in the subsection  
2 heading, by striking “IN HERITAGE ROUTE”  
3 and inserting “IN HERITAGE AREA”.

4 (2) DESIGNATION OF GREAT BASIN HERITAGE  
5 AREA PARTNERSHIP.—The Great Basin National  
6 Heritage Area Act (54 U.S.C. 320101 note; Public  
7 Law 109–338; 120 Stat. 1824) is amended by strik-  
8 ing “Great Basin Heritage Route Partnership” each  
9 place it appears and inserting “Great Basin Herit-  
10 age Area Partnership”.

11 **SEC. 12. EXTENSION OF DEADLINE TO COMPLETE CERTAIN**  
12 **MANAGEMENT PLANS.**

13 Section 6001(c)(1) of the John D. Dingell, Jr. Con-  
14 servation, Management, and Recreation Act (54 U.S.C.  
15 320101 note; Public Law 116–9; 133 Stat. 772) is amend-  
16 ed by striking “3” and inserting “5”.