

Public Law 111–11
111th Congress

An Act

To designate certain land as components of the National Wilderness Preservation System, to authorize certain programs and activities in the Department of the Interior and the Department of Agriculture, and for other purposes.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of
the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE; TABLE OF CONTENTS.

(a) SHORT TITLE.—This Act may be cited as the “Omnibus Public Land Management Act of 2009”.

**TITLE I—ADDITIONS TO THE NATIONAL
WILDERNESS PRESERVATION SYSTEM**

**Subtitle N—Rocky Mountain National Park
Wilderness, Colorado**

SEC. 1951. DEFINITIONS.

In this subtitle:

(1) MAP.—The term “map” means the map entitled “Rocky Mountain National Park Wilderness Act of 2007” and dated September 2006.

(2) PARK.—The term “Park” means Rocky Mountain National Park located in the State of Colorado.

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

(4) TRAIL.—The term “Trail” means the East Shore Trail established under section 1954(a).

(5) WILDERNESS.—The term “Wilderness” means the wilderness designated by section 1952(a).

SEC. 1954. EAST SHORE TRAIL AREA.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 1 year after the date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary shall establish within the East Shore Trail Area in the Park an alignment line for a trail, to be known as the “East Shore Trail”, to maximize the opportunity for sustained use of the Trail without causing—

- (1) harm to affected resources; or
- (2) conflicts among users.

(b) BOUNDARIES.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—After establishing the alignment line for the Trail under subsection (a), the Secretary shall—

- (A) Identify the boundaries of the Trail, which shall Not extend more than 25 feet east of the alignment line or be located within the Wilderness; and

(B) modify the map of the Wilderness prepared under section 1952(b)(1)(A) so that the western boundary of the Wilderness is 50 feet east of the alignment line.

(2) ADJUSTMENTS.—To the extent necessary to protect Park resources, the Secretary may adjust the boundaries of the Trail, if the adjustment does not place any portion of the Trail within the boundary of the Wilderness.

(c) INCLUSION IN WILDERNESS.—On completion of the construction of the Trail, as authorized by the Secretary—

(1) any portion of the East Shore Trail Area that is not traversed by the Trail, that is not west of the Trail, and that is not within 50 feet of the centerline of the Trail shall be—

(A) included in the Wilderness; and

(B) managed as part of the Wilderness in accordance with section 1952; and

(2) the Secretary shall modify the map and boundary description of the Wilderness prepared under section 1952(b)(1)(A) to reflect the inclusion of the East Shore Trail Area land in the Wilderness.

(d) EFFECT.—Nothing in this section—

(1) requires the construction of the Trail along the alignment line established under subsection (a); or

(2) limits the extent to which any otherwise applicable law or policy applies to any decision with respect to the construction of the Trail.

(e) RELATION TO LAND OUTSIDE WILDERNESS.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Except as provided in this subsection, nothing in this subtitle affects the management or use of any land not included within the boundaries of the Wilderness or the potential wilderness land.

(2) MOTORIZED VEHICLES AND MACHINERY.—No use of motorized vehicles or other motorized machinery that was not permitted on March 1, 2006, shall be allowed in the East Shore Trail Area except as the Secretary determines to be necessary for use in—

(A) constructing the Trail, if the construction is authorized by the Secretary; or

(B) maintaining the Trail.

(3) MANAGEMENT OF LAND BEFORE INCLUSION.—Until the Secretary authorizes the construction of the Trail and the use of the Trail for non-motorized bicycles, the East Shore Trail Area shall be managed—

(A) to protect any wilderness characteristics of the East Shore Trail Area; and

(B) to maintain the suitability of the East Shore Trail Area for inclusion in the Wilderness.