

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

RS25530

This Joint Memorial asks Congress for a 10 year moratorium on listing sage-grouse, time to implement the State of Idaho's Sage-Grouse Conservation Plan, and an amount of time to evaluate its efficacy. It also asks Congress not to fund or implement federal land use plan amendments for a period of 10 years if they are inconsistent with the State's Sage-Grouse Conservation Plan.

In addition, Congress should make no funds available for use by the Secretary of the Interior through the Bureau of Land Management to consider, prepare, write or issue any decision-documents based upon any rangeland health determinations made including any determinations that implement, or continue to implement, sage-grouse conservation measures and/or sage-grouse management actions that are not prescribed by the statewide Sage-Grouse Conservation Plan and not approved by Idaho's Office of Species Conservation, for a period of 10 years through and including fiscal year 2027.

Also, Congress should continue to make no funds available for use by the Secretary of Agriculture through the U.S. Forest Service to consider, prepare, write or issue any decision-documents or continue to implement, sage-grouse conservation measures and/or sage-grouse management actions that are not prescribed by the statewide Sage-Grouse Conservation Plan and not approved by Idaho's Office of Species Conservation, for a period of 10 years through and including fiscal year 2027.

FISCAL NOTE

As a Joint Memorial requesting Congress to act as outlined in the SOP above, it will have no impact on Idaho's General Fund.

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