Purpose: To improve the bill.


S. 2561

To amend the Forest and Rangeland Renewable Resources Planning Act of 1974 and the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976 to provide that a land resource management plan or land use plan approved, amended, or revised under those Acts shall not be considered to be a continuing Federal agency action or constitute a discretionary Federal involvement or control for a distinct Federal purpose, and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on ________________ and

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AMENDMENTS intended to be proposed by Mr. MANCHIN

Viz:

1 On page 2, line 1, strike “TREATMENT OF” and insert “CONSULTATION UNDER”.

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3 On page 2, line 5, strike “PLAN” and all that follows through line 16 and insert the following: PLANS.—Section 6(d) of the Forest and Rangeland Renewable Resources Planning Act of 1974 (16 U.S.C. 1604(d)) is amended by striking paragraph (2) and inserting the following:
“(2) NO ADDITIONAL CONSULTATION REQUIRED AFTER APPROVAL OF LAND MANAGEMENT PLANS.—Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the Secretary shall not be required to reinitiate consultation under section 7 of the Endangered Species Act of 1973 (16 U.S.C. 1536) or section 402.16 of title 50, Code of Federal Regulations (or a successor regulation), on a completed land and resource management plan that has no on-the-ground effects when—

“(A) a new species is listed or a new critical habitat is designated under that Act (16 U.S.C. 1531 et seq.); or

“(B) new information reveals effects of the land and resource management plan that may affect a species listed or critical habitat designated under that Act in a manner or to an extent not previously considered.”.

Beginning on page 2, strike line 21 and all that follows through page 3, line 2, and insert the following:

“(g) NO ADDITIONAL CONSULTATION REQUIRED AFTER APPROVAL OF LAND USE PLANS.—Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the Secretary shall not be required to reinitiate consultation under section 7
of the Endangered Species Act of 1973 (16 U.S.C. 1536) or section 402.16 of title 50, Code of Federal Regulations (or a successor regulation), on a completed land use plan that has no on-the-ground effects when—

“(1) a new species is listed or a new critical habitat is designated under that Act (16 U.S.C. 1531 et seq.); or

“(2) new information reveals effects of the land use plan that may affect a species listed or critical habitat designated under that Act in a manner or to an extent not previously considered.”.