IDAHO LEGISLATIVE SERVICES



STATE CAPITOL BOISE, IDAHO 83720

We are sending the enclosed material as per your request

SJM 110 & 111 are still in committee.

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

RS 21444

THIS PROPOSED LEGISLATION WOULD ENCOURAGE THE CONGRESS
OF THE UNITED STATES TO ESTABLISH A SNAKE RIVER BREAKS
HABITAT RESTORATION AREA BETWEEN THE RIMS OF THE SNAKE
RIVER CANYON FROM FAREWELL BEND, OREGON, NORTH TO HELLS
CANYON DAM.

FISCAL NOTE

NO FISCAL IMPACT.

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IN THE SENATE

SENATE JOINT MEMORIAL NO. 110

BY RESOURCES AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE

1	A JOINT MEMORIAL
2	TO THE SECRETARY OF INTERIOR, TO THE SECRETARY OF AGRICULTURE, AND TO THE CON-
3	GRESSIONAL DELEGATIONS REPRESENTING THE STATES OF OREGON AND IDAHO IN THI
4	CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES.
5	We, your Memorialists, the Senate and the House of Representatives of the
6	State of Idaho assembled in the Second Regular Session of the Forty-ninth
7	Idaho Legislature, do hereby respectfully represent that:

WHEREAS, the Snake River Canyon from Farewell Bend, Oregon, north to Hells Canyon Dam stretches nearly sixty miles in length and encompasses some 300,000 acres; and

WHEREAS, the construction of the Brownlee, Oxbow and Hells Canyon dams consumed 25,000 acres of wildlife habitat; and

WHEREAS, the extreme winter weather of the past several seasons and the deteriorated condition of existing forage and riparian habitats have led to the substantial loss of mule deer herds and to the declining populations of grouse and chukar.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the members of the Second Regular Session of the Forty-ninth Idaho Legislature, the Senate and the House of Representatives concurring therein, that we respectfully request the Congress of the United States to establish a Snake River Breaks Habitat Restoration Area for enhancing and improving the natural wildlife habitat between the rims of the Snake River Canyon from Farewell Bend, Oregon, north to Hells Canyon Dam through the combined efforts of the private sector and public agencies.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate be, and she is hereby authorized and directed to forward a copy of this Memorial to the Secretary of Interior, to the Secretary of Agriculture and to each member of the congressional delegations representing the states of Oregon and Idaho in the Congress of the United States.