

CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE COST ESTIMATE

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S. 1448

Frank Moore Wild Steelhead Special Management Area Designation Act

As ordered reported by the Senate Committee on Energy and Natural Resources on July 13, 2016

S. 1448 would designate 100,000 acres of land administered by the Forest Service in Oregon as a special management area and would prohibit mineral development on those lands. Based on information provided by the agency, CBO estimates that implementing the legislation would not affect the federal budget. Enacting the bill would not affect direct spending or revenues; therefore, pay-as-you-go procedures do not apply.

The Forest Service currently manages the affected lands for conservation purposes, therefore, designating those lands as a special management area would not affect administrative costs. In addition, based on information from the Forest Service, CBO does not expect that any minerals would be developed on the affected lands that would generate income for the federal government over the next 10 years. Thus, designating those lands would not affect offsetting receipts, which are treated as reductions in direct spending.

CBO estimates that enacting the legislation would not increase net direct spending or on-budget deficits in any of the four consecutive 10-year periods beginning in 2027.

S. 1448 contains no intergovernmental or private-sector mandates as defined in the Unfunded Mandates Reform Act and would impose no costs on state, local, and tribal governments.

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