

**From:** Bowman, Randal  
**To:** [Moore, Nikki](#)  
**Subject:** Re: update on legislative proposals related to RGDN  
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No, they are for different monuments. I got to the point late yesterday that I was mentally blurring them together. I don't need any more legislative information on either monument at this point, and sorry for any confusion I may have caused.

On Tue, Jun 27, 2017 at 1:04 PM, Moore, Nikki <[nmoore@blm.gov](mailto:nmoore@blm.gov)> wrote:  
We just sent S. 441 for Organ Mountains. Do you also need S. 432? (attached)

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On Tue, Jun 27, 2017 at 12:55 PM, Bowman, Randal <[randal\\_bowman@ios.doi.gov](mailto:randal_bowman@ios.doi.gov)> wrote:

Sorry, working too late - I was confusing the two monuments. S. 441 is Organ Mts, S. 432 is RGDN

On Mon, Jun 26, 2017 at 6:01 PM, Bowman, Randal <[randal\\_bowman@ios.doi.gov](mailto:randal_bowman@ios.doi.gov)> wrote:

Here is what I found and how I have revised this section of the "additional information". I did not see any reference to S. 441 in the submitted information. Comments welcome

### **Legislative Language**

### **Previous legislative proposals:**

Several legislative proposals were introduced in the House, beginning in 1993 and the Senate in 2009, to establish a National Conservation Area in areas covered by the current monument designation. A bill by former Senator Bingaman was reported in 2010, but did not pass the Senate. All bills called for a Conservation Area with nearly the footprint of the current Monument, Details are available but not included.

### **Current legislative proposals:**

**S. 432, Heinrich and Udall**, Introduced in Senate 02/16/2017, Reported 5/3/2017, Cerros del Norte Conservation Act, designates the Cerro del Yuta Wilderness (13,420 acres) and Rio San Antonio Wilderness (8,120 acres) within the Rio Grande del Norte National Monument, and releases all public land within the San Antonio Wilderness Study Area not designated as wilderness by this bill from further study for such a designation. The bill requires the wilderness areas to be administered as components of the National Landscape Conservation System.

**S. 441, Udall and Heinrich**, Organ Mountains-Desert Peaks Conservation Act, no action to date

Proposes to designate the following areas as wilderness: ADEN LAVA FLOW WILDERNESS— approximately 27,673 acres; BROAD CANYON WILDERNESS— approximately 13,902 acres; CINDER CONE WILDERNESS— approximately 16,935 acres; ORGAN MOUNTAINS WILDERNESS— approximately 19,916 acres; POTRILLO MOUNTAINS WILDERNESS— approximately 125,854 acres; ROBLEDO MOUNTAINS WILDERNESS— approximately 16,776 acres; SIERRA DE LAS UVAS WILDERNESS— approximately 11,114 acres; WHITETHORN WILDERNESS— approximately 9,616 acres