

RPC Highlight

H.R. 2302 – Shingle Springs Band of Miwok Indians Land Transfer Act of 2025 Sponsored by Rep. Tom McClintock (CA-05) RPC Region 15

Bill Summary:

This legislation would transfer a combined roughly 204 acres of specified lands into trust for the Shingle Springs Band of Miwok Indians. Currently, approximately 85 acres are managed by the Bureau of Land Management (BLM), while another 118 acres are owned by the Shingle Springs Band of Miwok Indians. This legislation administratively transfers the tracts of land into trust for the tribe through the Department of the Interior. This legislation would prohibit gaming on the lands taken into trust.

Policy Background:

The <u>Shingle Springs Band of Miwok</u> Indians is located in El Dorado County, California. They have around 500 enrolled members including descendants of the Miwok and Maidu Indians.

According to the committee report, the BLM has not managed lands around the Indian Creek Subdivision well, which has led to the tribe and other impacted landowners raising concerns regarding the threat of wildfires. Additionally, the tribe has performed a management role over the land to mitigate the danger of wildfires. After the lands are taken into trust, the tribe intends to use the land for tribal housing.

Committee Action:

This legislation received a <u>markup</u> and was reported favorably by the House Natural Resources Committee on July 23, 2025, by Unanimous Consent.