

1 AN ACT
2 RELATING TO STATE PARKS; PROVIDING FOR THE DEVELOPMENT AND
3 DESIGNATION OF SLOT CANYON RIVERLANDS STATE PARK AS A NEW
4 STATE PARK; PROVIDING RESTRICTIONS ON THE SALE, TRADE, BARTER
5 OR EXCHANGE OF HOLDINGS IN CERTAIN PARCELS OF THE PARK.
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7 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO:

8 SECTION 1. SLOT CANYON RIVERLANDS STATE PARK--
9 DEVELOPMENT AND DESIGNATION.--

10 A. The state parks division of the energy,
11 minerals and natural resources department shall develop and
12 designate Slot Canyon Riverlands state park as a new state
13 park on the riverside and upland parcels of the Broad Canyon
14 ranch study area located in Dona Ana county in a way that is
15 consistent with the third alternative of the feasibility
16 study conducted and prepared pursuant to Senate Memorial 38
17 of the first session of the fifty-sixth legislature. In
18 developing Slot Canyon Riverlands state park, the state parks
19 division shall:

20 (1) maximize opportunities for recreational
21 activities, wildlife habitat protection and ecosystem
22 restoration;

23 (2) prioritize connecting the park and its
24 trails to other existing trails, including the Rio Grande
25 trail;

1 (3) complete a natural resource management
2 plan; and

3 (4) remove salt cedar on the riverside
4 parcel and swan pond.

5 B. The state parks division shall not sell, trade,
6 barter, gift or otherwise exchange any of its holdings in the
7 riverside and upland parcels of the Broad Canyon ranch study
8 area located in Dona Ana county. The division may, for the
9 purposes of this section, acquire additional property and
10 assets to add to the holdings of Slot Canyon Riverlands state
11 park, except through the power of eminent domain, and receive
12 gifts and bequests of money, assets or other property. _____

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