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An Act

To provide for the designation and conservation of certain public lands in the State of Alaska, including the designation of units of the National Park, National Wildlife Refuge, National Forest, National Wild and Scenic Rivers, and National Wilderness Preservation Systems, and for other purposes.

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Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

SECTION 1. This Act may be cited as the "Alaska National Interest Lands Conservation Act".

Alaska National
Interest Lands
Conservation
Act.
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note.

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TITLE I—PURPOSES, DEFINITIONS, AND MAPS

PURPOSES

16 USC 3101.

SEC. 101. (a) In order to preserve for the benefit, use, education, and inspiration of present and future generations certain lands and waters in the State of Alaska that contain nationally significant natural, scenic, historic, archeological, geological, scientific, wilderness, cultural, recreational, and wildlife values, the units described in the following titles are hereby established.

(b) It is the intent of Congress in this Act to preserve unrivaled scenic and geological values associated with natural landscapes; to provide for the maintenance of sound populations of, and habitat for, wildlife species of inestimable value to the citizens of Alaska and the Nation, including those species dependent on vast relatively undeveloped areas; to preserve in their natural state extensive unaltered arctic tundra, boreal forest, and coastal rainforest ecosystems; to protect the resources related to subsistence needs; to protect and preserve historic and archeological sites, rivers, and lands, and to preserve wilderness resource values and related recreational opportunities including but not limited to hiking, canoeing, fishing, and sport hunting, within large arctic and subarctic wildlands and on

freeflowing rivers; and to maintain opportunities for scientific research and undisturbed ecosystems.

(c) It is further the intent and purpose of this Act consistent with management of fish and wildlife in accordance with recognized scientific principles and the purposes for which each conservation system unit is established, designated, or expanded by or pursuant to this Act, to provide the opportunity for rural residents engaged in a subsistence way of life to continue to do so.

(d) This Act provides sufficient protection for the national interest in the scenic, natural, cultural and environmental values on the public lands in Alaska, and at the same time provides adequate opportunity for satisfaction of the economic and social needs of the State of Alaska and its people; accordingly, the designation and disposition of the public lands in Alaska pursuant to this Act are found to represent a proper balance between the reservation of national conservation system units and those public lands necessary and appropriate for more intensive use and disposition, and thus Congress believes that the need for future legislation designating new conservation system units, new national conservation areas, or new national recreation areas, has been obviated thereby.

DEFINITIONS

SEC. 102. As used in this Act (except that in titles IX and XIV the following terms shall have the same meaning as they have in the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act, and the Alaska Statehood Act)—

(1) The term "land" means lands, waters, and interests therein.

(2) The term "Federal land" means lands the title to which is in the United States after the date of enactment of this Act.

(3) The term "public lands" means land situated in Alaska which, after the date of enactment of this Act, are Federal lands, except—

(A) land selections of the State of Alaska which have been tentatively approved or validly selected under the Alaska Statehood Act and lands which have been confirmed to, validly selected by, or granted to the Territory of Alaska or the State under any other provision of Federal law;

(B) land selections of a Native Corporation made under the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act which have not been conveyed to a Native Corporation, unless any such selection is determined to be invalid or is relinquished; and

(C) lands referred to in section 19(b) of the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act.

(4) The term "conservation system unit" means any unit in Alaska of the National Park System, National Wildlife Refuge System, National Wild and Scenic Rivers Systems, National Trails System, National Wilderness Preservation System, or a National Forest Monument including existing units, units established, designated, or expanded by or under the provisions of this Act, additions to such units, and any such unit established, designated, or expanded hereafter.

(5) The term "Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act" means "An Act to provide for the settlement of certain land claims of Alaska Natives, and for other purposes", approved December 18, 1971 (85 Stat. 688), as amended.

16 USC 3102.
Post, pp. 2430,
2491.
43 USC 1601
note.
48 USC note
prec. 21.

43 USC 1618.

P.L. 104-42 required
an assessment of
impacts on CSUs of
additional allotments
(See title XIV).

43 USC 1601
note.

(6) The term "Native Corporation" means any Regional Corporation, any Village Corporation, any Urban Corporation, and any Native Group.

43 USC 1602. (7) The term "Regional Corporation" has the same meaning as such term has under section 3(g) of the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act.

(8) The term "Village Corporation" has the same meaning as such term has under section 3(j) of the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act.

43 USC 1613. (9) The term "Urban Corporation" means those Native entities which have incorporated pursuant to section 14(h)(3) of the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act.

(10) The term "Native Group" has the same meaning as such term has under sections 3(d) and 14(h)(2) of the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act.

43 USC 1601 note. (11) The term "Native land" means land owned by a Native Corporation or any Native Group and includes land which, as of the date of enactment of this Act, had been selected under the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act by a Native Corporation or Native Group and had not been conveyed by the Secretary (except to the extent such selection is determined to be invalid or has been relinquished) and land referred to in section 19(b) of the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act.

43 USC 1618. (12) The term "Secretary" means the Secretary of the Interior, except that when such term is used with respect to any unit of the National Forest System, such term means the Secretary of Agriculture.

(13) The terms "wilderness" and "National Wilderness Preservation System" have the same meaning as when used in the Wilderness Act (78 Stat. 890).

16 USC 1131 note. (14) The term "Alaska Statehood Act" means the Act entitled "An Act to provide for the admission of the State of Alaska into the Union", approved July 7, 1958 (72 Stat. 339), as amended.

(15) The term "State" means the State of Alaska.

48 USC note prec. 21. (16) The term "Alaska Native" or "Native" has the same meaning as the term "Native" has in section 3(b) of the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act.

43 USC 1602. (17) The term "fish and wildlife" means any member of the animal kingdom, including without limitation any mammal, fish, bird (including any migratory, nonmigratory or endangered bird for which protection is also afforded by treaty or other international agreement), amphibian, reptile, mollusk, crustacean, arthropod or other invertebrate, and includes any part, product, egg, or offspring thereof, or the dead body or part thereof.

(18) The term "take" or "taking" as used with respect to fish or wildlife, means to pursue, hunt, shoot, trap, net, capture, collect, kill, harm, or attempt to engage in any such conduct.

MAPS

Public inspection.
16 USC 3103.

Sec. 103. (a) The boundary maps described in this Act shall be on file and available for public inspection in the office of the Secretary or the Secretary of Agriculture with regard to the National Forest System. In the event of discrepancies between the acreages specified in this Act and those depicted on such maps, the maps shall be controlling, but the boundaries of areas added to the National Park, Wildlife Refuge and National Forest Systems shall, in coastal areas

not extend seaward beyond the mean high tide line to include lands owned by the State of Alaska unless the State shall have concurred in such boundary extension and such extension is accomplished under the notice and reporting requirements of this Act.

(b) As soon as practicable after enactment of this Act, a map and legal description of each change in land management status effected by this Act, including the National Wilderness Preservation System, shall be published in the Federal Register and filed with the Speaker of the House of Representatives and the President of the Senate, and each such description shall have the same force and effect as if included in this Act: *Provided, however,* That correction of clerical and typographical errors in each such legal description and map may be made. Each such map and legal description shall be on file and available for public inspection in the office of the Secretary. Whenever possible boundaries shall follow hydrographic divides or embrace other topographic or natural features. Following reasonable notice in writing to the Congress of his intention to do so the Secretary and the Secretary of Agriculture may make minor adjustments in the boundaries of the areas added to or established by this Act as units of National Park, Wildlife Refuge, Wild and Scenic Rivers, National Wilderness Preservation, and National Forest Systems and as national conservation areas and national recreation areas. For the purposes of this subsection, a minor boundary adjustment shall not increase or decrease the amount of land within any such area by more than 23,000 acres.

(c) Only those lands within the boundaries of any conservation system unit which are public lands (as such term is defined in this Act) shall be deemed to be included as a portion of such unit. No lands which, before, on, or after the date of enactment of this Act, are conveyed to the State, to any Native Corporation, or to any private party shall be subject to the regulations applicable solely to public lands within such units. If the State, a Native Corporation, or other owner desires to convey any such lands, the Secretary may acquire such lands in accordance with applicable law (including this Act), and any such lands shall become part of the unit, and be administered accordingly.

TITLE II—NATIONAL PARK SYSTEM

ESTABLISHMENT OF NEW AREAS

SEC. 201. The following areas are hereby established as units of the National Park System and shall be administered by the Secretary under the laws governing the administration of such lands and under the provisions of this Act:

(1) Aniakchak National Monument, containing approximately one hundred and thirty-eight thousand acres of public lands, and Aniakchak National Preserve, containing approximately three hundred and seventy-six thousand acres of public lands, as generally depicted on map numbered ANIA-90,005, and dated October 1978. The monument and preserve shall be managed for the following purposes, among others: To maintain the caldera and its associated volcanic features and landscape, including the Aniakchak River and other lakes and streams, in their natural state; to study, interpret, and assure continuation of the natural process of biological succession; to protect habitat for, and populations of, fish and wildlife, including, but not limited to, brown/grizzly bears, moose, caribou, sea lions, seals, and other marine

P.L. 107-89 amends Submerged Lands Act confirming State seaward boundaries.

Publication in Federal Register. Filing with Speaker of House and President of Senate.

Minor boundary adjustments, notification to Congress.

Administration by Interior Secretary. 16 USC 410hh.

Aniakchak National Monument. 16 USC 431 note.

P.L. 104-333 directs terms for an exchange of subsurface acres with Koniag Corporation

mammals, geese, swans, and other waterfowl and in a manner consistent with the foregoing, to interpret geological and biological processes for visitors. Subsistence uses by local residents shall be permitted in the monument where such uses are traditional in accordance with the provisions of title VIII.

Bering Land
Bridge National
Preserve.

(2) Bering Land Bridge National Preserve, containing approximately two million four hundred and fifty-seven thousand acres of public land, as generally depicted on map numbered BELA-90,005, and dated October 1978. The preserve shall be managed for the following purposes, among others: To protect and interpret examples of arctic plant communities, volcanic lava flows, ash explosions, coastal formations, and other geologic processes; to protect habitat for internationally significant populations of migratory birds; to provide for archeological and paleontological study, in cooperation with Native Alaskans, of the process of plant and animal migration, including man, between North America and the Asian Continent; to protect habitat for, and populations of, fish and wildlife including, but not limited to, marine mammals, brown/grizzly bears, moose, and wolves; subject to such reasonable regulations as the Secretary may prescribe, to continue reindeer grazing use, including necessary facilities and equipment, within the areas which on January 1, 1976, were subject to reindeer grazing permits, in accordance with sound range management practices; to protect the viability of subsistence resources; and in a manner consistent with the foregoing, to provide for outdoor recreation and environmental education activities including public access for recreational purposes to the Serpentine Hot Springs area. The Secretary shall permit the continuation of customary patterns and modes of travel during periods of adequate snow cover within a one-hundred-foot right-of-way along either side of an existing route from Deering to the Taylor Highway, subject to such reasonable regulations as the Secretary may promulgate to assure that such travel is consistent with the foregoing purposes.

Cape
Krusenstern
National
Monument.
16 USC 431 note.

(3) Cape Krusenstern National Monument, containing approximately five hundred and sixty thousand acres of public lands, as generally depicted on map numbered CAKR-90,007, and dated October 1979. The monument shall be managed for the following purposes, among others: To protect and interpret a series of archeological sites depicting every known cultural period in arctic Alaska; to provide for scientific study of the process of human population of the area from the Asian Continent; in cooperation with Native Alaskans, to preserve and interpret evidence of prehistoric and historic Native cultures; to protect habitat for seals and other marine mammals; to protect habitat for and populations of, birds, and other wildlife, and fish resources; and to protect the viability of subsistence resources. Subsistence uses by local residents shall be permitted in the monument in accordance with the provisions of title VIII.

Gates of the
Arctic National
Park.

(4)(a) Gates of the Arctic National Park, containing approximately seven million fifty-two thousand acres of public lands, Gates of the Arctic National Preserve, containing approximately nine hundred thousand acres of Federal lands, as generally depicted on map numbered GAAR-90,011, and dated July 1980. The park and preserve shall be managed for the following purposes, among others: To maintain the wild and undeveloped character of the area, including opportunities for visitors to experience solitude, and the natural environmental integrity

and scenic beauty of the mountains, forelands, rivers, lakes, and other natural features; to provide continued opportunities, including reasonable access, for mountain climbing, mountaineering, and other wilderness recreational activities; and to protect habitat for and the populations of, fish and wildlife, including, but not limited to, caribou, grizzly bears, Dall sheep, moose, wolves, and raptorial birds. Subsistence uses by local residents shall be permitted in the park, where such uses are traditional, in accordance with the provisions of title VIII.

(b) Congress finds that there is a need for access for surface transportation purposes across the Western (Kobuk River) unit of the Gates of the Arctic National Preserve (from the Ambler Mining District to the Alaska Pipeline Haul Road) and the Secretary shall permit such access in accordance with the provisions of this subsection.

(c) Upon the filing of an application pursuant to section 1104 (b), and (c) of this Act for a right-of-way across the Western (Kobuk River) unit of the preserve, including the Kobuk Wild and Scenic River, the Secretary shall give notice in the Federal Register of a thirty-day period for other applicants to apply for access.

(d) The Secretary and the Secretary of Transportation shall jointly prepare an environmental and economic analysis solely for the purpose of determining the most desirable route for the right-of-way and terms and conditions which may be required for the issuance of that right-of-way. This analysis shall be completed within one year and the draft thereof within nine months of the receipt of the application and shall be prepared in lieu of an environmental impact statement which would otherwise be required under section 102(2)(C) of the National Environmental Policy Act. Such analysis shall be deemed to satisfy all requirements of that Act and shall not be subject to judicial review. Such environmental and economic analysis shall be prepared in accordance with the procedural requirements of section 1104(e). The Secretaries in preparing the analysis shall consider the following—

(i) Alternative routes including the consideration of economically feasible and prudent alternative routes across the preserve which would result in fewer or less severe adverse impacts upon the preserve.

(ii) The environmental and social and economic impact of the right-of-way including impact upon wildlife, fish, and their habitat, and rural and traditional lifestyles including subsistence activities, and measures which should be instituted to avoid or minimize negative impacts and enhance positive impacts.

(e) Within 60 days of the completion of the environmental and economic analysis, the Secretaries shall jointly agree upon a route for issuance of the right-of-way across the preserve. Such right-of-way shall be issued in accordance with the provisions of section 1107 of this Act.

(5) Kenai Fjords National Park, containing approximately five hundred and sixty-seven thousand acres of public lands, as generally depicted on map numbered KEFJ-90,007, and dated October 1978. The park shall be managed for the following purposes, among others: To maintain unimpaired the scenic and environmental integrity of the Harding Icefield, its outflowing glaciers, and coastal fjords and islands in their natural state; and

P.L. 104-333 ratifies the land exchange agreement and adds non-federal lands to the Park

Post, p. 2422.

Publication in Federal Register.

Environmental and economic analysis.

42 USC 4332.

Post, p. 2459.

Kenai Fjords National Park.

to protect seals, sea lions, other marine mammals, and marine and other birds and to maintain their hauling and breeding areas in their natural state, free of human activity which is disruptive to their natural processes. In a manner consistent with the foregoing, the Secretary is authorized to develop access to the Harding Icefield and to allow use of mechanized equipment on the icefield for recreation.

Kobuk Valley National Park.

(6) Kobuk Valley National Park, containing approximately one million seven hundred and ten thousand acres of public lands as generally depicted on map numbered KOVA-90,009, and dated October 1979. The park shall be managed for the following purposes, among others: To maintain the environmental integrity of the natural features of the Kobuk River Valley, including the Kobuk, Salmon, and other rivers, the boreal forest, and the Great Kobuk Sand Dunes, in an undeveloped state; to protect and interpret, in cooperation with Native Alaskans, archeological sites associated with Native cultures; to protect migration routes for the Arctic caribou herd; to protect habitat for, and populations of, fish and wildlife including but not limited to caribou, moose, black and grizzly bears, wolves, and waterfowl; and to protect the viability of subsistence resources. Subsistence uses by local residents shall be permitted in the park in accordance with the provisions of title VIII. Except at such times when, and locations where, to do so would be inconsistent with the purposes of the park, the Secretary shall permit aircraft to continue to land at sites in the upper Salmon River watershed.

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Lake Clark National Park.

(7)(a) Lake Clark National Park, containing approximately two million four hundred thirty-nine thousand acres of public lands, and Lake Clark National Preserve, containing approximately one million two hundred and fourteen thousand acres of public lands, as generally depicted on map numbered LACL-90,008, and dated October 1978. The park and preserve shall be managed for the following purposes, among others: To protect the watershed necessary for perpetuation of the red salmon fishery in Bristol Bay; to maintain unimpaired the scenic beauty and quality of portions of the Alaska Range and the Aleutian Range, including active volcanoes, glaciers, wild rivers, lakes, waterfalls, and alpine meadows in their natural state; and to protect habitat for and populations of fish and wildlife including but not limited to caribou, Dall sheep, brown/grizzly bears, bald eagles, and peregrine falcons.

(b) No lands conveyed to the Nondalton Village Corporation shall be considered to be within the boundaries of the park or preserve; if the corporation desires to convey any such lands, the Secretary may acquire such lands with the consent of the owner, and any such lands so acquired shall become part of the park or preserve, as appropriate. Subsistence uses by local residents shall be permitted in the park where such uses are traditional in accordance with the provisions of title VIII.

Post, p. 2422.
Noatak National Preserve.

(8)(a) Noatak National Preserve, containing approximately ~~six million four hundred and sixty thousand~~ ^{6,477,168} acres of public lands, as generally depicted on map numbered NOAT-90,004, and dated July 1980. The preserve shall be managed for the following purposes, among others: To maintain the environmental integrity of the Noatak River and adjacent uplands within the preserve in such a manner as to assure the continuation of geological and biological processes unimpaired by adverse human activity; to protect habitat for, and populations of, fish

PL 104-333 increases Noatak Preserve by 17,000 acres.

and wildlife, including but not limited to caribou, grizzly bears, Dall sheep, moose, wolves, and for waterfowl, raptors, and other species of birds; to protect archeological resources; and in a manner consistent with the foregoing, to provide opportunities for scientific research. The Secretary may establish a board consisting of scientists and other experts in the field of arctic research in order to assist him in the encouragement and administration of research efforts within the preserve.

(b) All lands located east of centerline of the main channel of the Noatak River which are—

(1) within

(A) any area withdrawn under the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act for selection by the village of Noatak, and

43 USC 1601
note.

(B) any village deficiency withdrawal under section 11(a)(3)(A) of such Act which is adjacent to the area described in subparagraph (i) of this paragraph,

43 USC 1610.

(2) adjacent to public lands within a unit of the National Park System as designated under this Act, and

(3) not conveyed to such Village or other Native Corporation before the final conveyance date, shall, on such final conveyance date, be added to and included within, the adjacent unit of the National Park System (notwithstanding the applicable acreage specified in this paragraph) and managed in the manner provided in the foregoing provisions of this paragraph. For purposes of the preceding sentence the term "final conveyance date" means the date of the conveyance of lands under the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act, or by operation of this Act, to the Village of Noatak, or to any other Native Corporation which completes the entitlement of such Village or other Corporation to conveyance of lands from the withdrawals referred to in subparagraph (1).

(9) Wrangell-Saint Elias National Park, containing approximately eight million one hundred and forty-seven thousand acres of public lands, and Wrangell-Saint Elias National Preserve, containing approximately four million one hundred and seventy-one thousand acres of public lands, as generally depicted on map numbered WRST-90,007, and dated August 1980. The park and preserve shall be managed for the following purposes, among others: To maintain unimpaired the scenic beauty and quality of high mountain peaks, foothills, glacial systems, lakes, and streams, valleys, and coastal landscapes in their natural state; to protect habitat for, and populations of, fish and wildlife including but not limited to caribou, brown/grizzly bears, Dall sheep, moose, wolves, trumpeter swans and other waterfowl, and marine mammals; and to provide continued opportunities, including reasonable access for mountain climbing, mountaineering, and other wilderness recreational activities. Subsistence uses by local residents shall be permitted in the park, where such uses are traditional, in accordance with the provisions of title VIII.

Wrangell-Saint
Elias National
Park.

(10) Yukon-Charley Rivers National Preserve, containing approximately one million seven hundred and thirteen thousand acres of public lands, as generally depicted on map numbered YUCH-90,008, and dated October 1978. The preserve shall be managed for the following purposes, among others: To maintain the environmental integrity of the entire Charley River basin,

Post, p. 2422.
Yukon-Charley
Rivers National
Preserve.

P.L. 112-74 prohibits
FY2012 funds being
spent to enforce NPS boat
regulations on Yukon-
Charley Preserve

including streams, lakes and other natural features, in its undeveloped natural condition for public benefit and scientific study; to protect habitat for, and populations of, fish and wildlife, including but not limited to the peregrine falcons and other raptorial birds, caribou, moose, Dall sheep, grizzly bears, and wolves; and in a manner consistent with the foregoing, to protect and interpret historical sites and events associated with the gold rush on the Yukon River and the geological and paleontological history and cultural prehistory of the area. Except at such times when and locations where to do so would be inconsistent with the purposes of the preserve, the Secretary shall permit aircraft to continue to land at sites in the Upper Charley River watershed.

ADDITIONS TO EXISTING AREAS

16 USC 410hh-1.

Glacier Bay
National
Monument.

P.L. 105-277 reduces
and directs administration
of commercial fishing in
Glacier Bay - Sec. Sec. 205

P.L. 105-317 authorizes a
land exchange to modify
unit boundaries and allow
a hydroelectric project in the
park and wilderness

Katmai National
Monument.

P.L. 104-333 Sec. 1035
allow traditional fishing
for red fish in Maknek
Lake and River

Mount McKinley
National Park.

SEC. 202. The following units of the National Park System are hereby expanded:

(1) Glacier Bay National Monument, by the addition of an area containing approximately five hundred and twenty-three thousand acres of Federal land. Approximately fifty-seven thousand acres of additional public land is hereby established as Glacier Bay National Preserve, both as generally depicted on map numbered GLBA-90,004, and dated October 1978; furthermore, the monument is hereby redesignated as "Glacier Bay National Park". The monument addition and preserve shall be managed for the following purposes, among others: To protect a segment of the Alsek River, fish and wildlife habitats and migration routes, and a portion of the Fairweather Range including the northwest slope of Mount Fairweather. Lands, waters, and interests therein within the boundary of the park and preserve which were within the boundary of any national forest are hereby excluded from such national forest and the boundary of such national forest is hereby revised accordingly.

(2) Katmai National Monument, by the addition of an area containing approximately one million and thirty-seven thousand acres of public land. Approximately three hundred and eight thousand acres of additional public land is hereby established as Katmai National Preserve, both as generally depicted on map numbered 90,007, and dated July 1980; furthermore, the monument is hereby redesignated as "Katmai National Park". The monument addition and preserve shall be managed for the following purposes, among others: To protect habitats for, and populations of, fish and wildlife including, but not limited to, high concentrations of brown/grizzly bears and their denning areas; to maintain unimpaired the water habitat for significant salmon populations; and to protect scenic, geological, cultural and recreational features.

(3)(a) Mount McKinley National Park, by the addition of an area containing approximately two million four hundred and twenty-six thousand acres of public land, and approximately one million three hundred and thirty thousand acres of additional public land is hereby established as Denali National Preserve, both as generally depicted on map numbered DENA-90,007, and dated July 1980 and the whole is hereby redesignated as Denali National Park and Preserve. The park additions and preserve shall be managed for the following purposes, among others: To protect and interpret the entire mountain massif, and additional scenic mountain peaks and formations; and to protect habitat

for, and populations of fish and wildlife including, but not limited to, brown/grizzly bears, moose, caribou, Dall sheep, wolves, swans and other waterfowl; and to provide continued opportunities, including reasonable access, for mountain climbing, mountaineering and other wilderness recreational activities. ~~That portion of the Alaska Railroad right-of-way within the park shall be subject to such laws and regulations applicable to the protection of fish and wildlife and other park values as the Secretary, with the concurrence of the Secretary of Transportation, may determine.~~ Subsistence uses by local residents shall be permitted in the additions to the park where such uses are traditional in accordance with the provisions in title VIII.

(b) The Alaska Land Use Council shall, in cooperation with the Secretary, conduct a study of the Kantishna Hills and Dunkle Mine areas of the park as generally depicted on a map entitled "Kantishna Hills/Dunkle Mine Study Area", dated October 1979, and report thereon to the Congress not later than three years from the date of enactment of this Act. The study and report shall evaluate the resources of the area, including but not limited to, fish and wildlife, public recreation opportunities, wilderness potential, historic resources, and minerals, and shall include those recommendations respecting resources and other relevant matters which the Council determines are necessary. In conjunction with the study required by this section, the Council, in consultation with the Secretary, shall compile information relating to the mineral potential of the areas encompassed within the study, the estimated cost of acquiring mining properties, and the environmental consequences of further mineral development.

(c) During the period of the study, no acquisition of privately owned land shall be permitted within the study area, except with the consent of the owner, and the holders of valid mining claims shall be permitted to operate on their claims, subject to reasonable regulations designed to minimize damage to the environment: *Provided, however,* That such lands or claims shall be subject to acquisition without the consent of the owner or holder if the Secretary determines, after notice and opportunity for hearing, if such notice and hearing are not otherwise required by applicable law or regulation, that activities on such lands or claims will significantly impair important scenic, wildlife, or recreational values of the public lands which are the subject of the study.

GENERAL ADMINISTRATION

SEC. 203. Subject to valid existing rights, the Secretary shall administer the lands, waters, and interests therein added to existing areas or established by the foregoing sections of this title as new areas of the National Park System, pursuant to the provisions of the Act of August 25, 1916 (39 Stat. 535), as amended and supplemented (16 U.S.C. 1 et seq.), and, as appropriate, under section 1313 and the other applicable provisions of this Act: *Provided, however,* That hunting shall be permitted in areas designated as national preserves under the provisions of this Act. Subsistence uses by local residents shall be allowed in national preserves and, where specifically permitted by this Act, in national monuments and parks. Lands, waters, and interests therein withdrawn or reserved for the former Katmai and Glacier Bay National Monuments are hereby incorporated within and made a part of Katmai National Park or Glacier Bay National

P.L. 97-468 deletes

Post, p. 2422.
Study.
Report to
Congress.

P.L. 110-229 authorizes an exclusive use easement to Alaska Railroad Corporation through a maximum 25 acre grant for facilities. It provides that relinquished land be added to the wilderness

Land acquisition, notice and hearing.

16 USC 410hh-2.

P.L. 105-391 contains numerous administrative directives

Post, p. 2483.

P.L. 110-229 authorizes NPS to enter into cooperative agreements in order to collaborate and use funds inside and outside park units for the purpose of protecting natural resources

P.L. 100-203 authorizes user fee for Denali Park Road and its facilities

P.L. 104-333 Sec 703 → authorizes charging a \$5 fee to passengers of some cruise ships in Glacier Bay.

16 USC 410hh-3.

43 USC 1616.

43 USC 1601 note.

Park, as appropriate. Any funds available for the purposes of such monuments are hereby made available for the purposes of Katmai National Park and Preserve or Glacier Bay National Park and Preserve, as appropriate. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, no fees shall be charged for entrance or admission to any unit of the National Park System located in Alaska.

NATIVE SELECTIONS

SEC. 204. Valid Native Corporation selections, or lands identified for selection by Regional Corporations pursuant to section 17(d)(2)(E) of the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act, within the boundaries of the Wrangell-Saint Elias National Park and Preserve as established under this Act, are hereby recognized and shall be honored and conveyed by the Secretary in accordance with the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act and this Act.

COMMERCIAL FISHING

16 USC 410hh-4.

P.L. 105-277 directs administration of, and reduces area where commercial fishing is allowed in Glacier Bay

P.L. 106-31 amends P.L. 105-277 above

SEC. 205. With respect to the Cape Krusenstern National Monument, the Malaspina Glacier Forelands area of Wrangell-Saint Elias National Preserve and the Dry Bay area of Glacier Bay National Preserve, the Secretary may take no action to restrict unreasonably the exercise of valid commercial fishing rights or privileges obtained pursuant to existing law, including the use of public lands for campsites, cabins, motorized vehicles, and aircraft landings on existing airstrips, directly incident to the exercise of such rights or privileges, except that this prohibition shall not apply to activities which the Secretary, after conducting a public hearing in the affected locality, finds constitute a significant expansion of the use of park lands beyond the level of such use during 1979.

WITHDRAWAL FROM MINING

16 USC 410hh-5.

P.L. 111-11 Title VII, NPS; designates the Kenai Mountains-Turnagain Arm National Heritage Area specifically limiting federal authority and provide funds to a coordinating entity for 15 years.

SEC. 206. Subject to valid existing rights, and except as explicitly provided otherwise in this Act, the Federal lands within units of the National Park System established or expanded by or pursuant to this Act are hereby withdrawn from all forms of appropriation or disposal under the public land laws, including location, entry, and patent under the United States mining laws, disposition under the mineral leasing laws, and from future selections by the State of Alaska and Native Corporations.

TITLE III—NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE SYSTEM

DEFINITIONS

SEC. 301. For purposes of this title—

(1) The term "existing", if used in referring to any unit of the National Wildlife Refuge System in the State, means the unit as it existed on the day before the date of enactment of the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act except as specifically modified by section 12(b)(1) of Public Law 94-204 and section 1432(c) of this Act.

(2) The term "refuge" means—

(A) any unit of the National Wildlife Refuge System established by section 302 or 303 of this Act;

43 USC 1601 note.
43 USC 1611 note.
Post, p. 2543.

(B) any existing unit of the National Wildlife Refuge System in Alaska not included within any unit referred to in subparagraph (A);

(C) any unit of the National Wildlife Refuge System established in Alaska after the date of the enactment of this Act; or

(D) any addition to any unit described in subparagraphs (A), (B), or (C) above.

ESTABLISHMENT OF NEW REFUGES

SEC. 302. The following are established as units of the National Wildlife Refuge System:

(1) **ALASKA PENINSULA NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE.**—(A) The Alaska Peninsula National Wildlife Refuge shall consist of the approximately three million five hundred thousand acres of public lands as generally depicted on the map entitled "Alaska Peninsula National Wildlife Refuge", dated October 1979 and shall include the lands on the Alaska Peninsula transferred to and made part of the refuge pursuant to section 1427 of this Act.

(B) The purposes for which the Alaska Peninsula National Wildlife Refuge is established and shall be managed include—

(i) to conserve fish and wildlife populations and habitats in their natural diversity including, but not limited to, brown bears, the Alaska Peninsula caribou herd, moose, sea otters and other marine mammals, shorebirds and other migratory birds, raptors, including bald eagles and peregrine falcons, and salmonoids and other fish;

(ii) to fulfill the international treaty obligations of the United States with respect to fish and wildlife and their habitats;

(iii) to provide, in a manner consistent with the purposes set forth in subparagraphs (i) and (ii) above, the opportunity for continued subsistence uses by local residents; and

(iv) to ensure, to the maximum extent practicable and in a manner consistent with the purposes set forth in paragraph (i), water quality and necessary water quantity within the refuge.

(2) **BECHAROF NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE.**—(A) The Becharof National Wildlife Refuge shall consist of the approximately one million two hundred thousand acres of public lands generally depicted on the map entitled "Becharof National Wildlife Refuge", dated July 1980.

(B) The purposes for which the Becharof National Wildlife Refuge is established and shall be managed include—

(i) to conserve fish and wildlife populations and habitats in their natural diversity including, but not limited to, brown bears, salmon, migratory birds, the Alaskan Peninsula caribou herd and marine birds and mammals;

(ii) to fulfill the international treaty obligations of the United States with respect to fish and wildlife and their habitats;

(iii) to provide, in a manner consistent with the purposes set forth in subparagraphs (i) and (ii), the opportunity for continued subsistence uses by local residents; and

(iv) to ensure, to the maximum extent practicable and in a manner consistent with the purposes set forth in paragraph

16 USC 668dd
note.

P.L. 104-333 directs terms for a land exchange of subsurface acres in Alaska Peninsula Refuge, Becharof Refuge, and Aniakchak Monument.

16 USC 668dd
note.

P.L. 104-333 directs terms for a subsurface land exchange

16 USC 668dd
note.

(i), water quality and necessary water quantity within the refuge.

(3) **INNOKO NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE.**—(A) The Innoko National Wildlife Refuge shall consist of the approximately three million eight hundred and fifty thousand acres of public lands generally depicted on the map entitled "Innoko National Wildlife Refuge", dated October 1978.

(B) The purposes for which the Innoko National Wildlife Refuge is established and shall be managed include—

(i) to conserve fish and wildlife populations and habitats in their natural diversity including, but not limited to, waterfowl, peregrine falcons, other migratory birds, black bear, moose, furbearers, and other mammals and salmon;

(ii) to fulfill international treaty obligations of the United States with respect to fish and wildlife and their habitats;

(iii) to provide, in a manner consistent with the purposes set forth in subparagraphs (i) and (ii), the opportunity for continued subsistence uses by local residents; and

(iv) to ensure, to the maximum extent practicable and in a manner consistent with the purposes set forth in paragraph (i), water quality and necessary water quantity within the refuge.

16 USC 668dd
note.

P.L. 104-333 Sec. 311
designates a special
BLM management area
adjacent to Kanuti Refuge.

(4) **KANUTI NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE.**—(A) The Kanuti National Wildlife Refuge shall consist of the approximately one million four hundred and thirty thousand acres of public lands generally depicted on the map entitled "Kanuti National Wildlife Refuge", dated July 1980.

(B) The purposes for which the Kanuti National Wildlife Refuge is established and shall be managed include—

(i) to conserve fish and wildlife populations and habitats in their natural diversity including, but not limited to, white-fronted geese and other waterfowl and migratory birds, moose, caribou (including participation in coordinated ecological studies and management of the Western Arctic caribou herd), and furbearers;

(ii) to fulfill the international treaty obligations of the United States with respect to fish and wildlife and their habitats;

(iii) to provide, in a manner consistent with the purposes set forth in subparagraphs (i) and (ii), the opportunity for continued subsistence uses by local residents; and

(iv) to ensure, to the maximum extent practicable and in a manner consistent with the purposes set forth in paragraph (i), water quality and necessary water quantity within the refuge.

16 USC 668dd
note.

(5) **KOYUKUK NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE.**—(A) The Koyukuk National Wildlife Refuge shall consist of the approximately three million five hundred and fifty thousand acres of public lands generally depicted on the map entitled "Koyukuk National Wildlife Refuge", dated July 1980.

(B) The purposes for which the Koyukuk National Wildlife Refuge is established and shall be managed include—

(i) to conserve the fish and wildlife populations and habitats in their natural diversity including, but not limited to, waterfowl and other migratory birds, moose, caribou (including participation in coordinated ecological studies and management of the Western Arctic caribou herd), furbearers, and salmon;

(ii) to fulfill the international treaty obligations of the United States with respect to fish and wildlife and their habitats;

(iii) to provide, in a manner consistent with the purposes set forth in subparagraphs (i) and (ii), the opportunity for continued subsistence uses by local residents; and

(iv) to ensure, to the maximum extent practicable and in a manner consistent with the purposes set forth in paragraph (i), water quality and necessary water quantity within the refuge.

(6) **NOWITNA NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE.**—(A) The Nowitna National Wildlife Refuge shall consist of the approximately one million five hundred and sixty thousand acres of public lands generally depicted on a map entitled “Nowitna National Wildlife Refuge”, dated July 1980.

16 USC 668dd
note.

(B) The purposes for which the Nowitna National Wildlife Refuge is established and shall be managed include—

(i) to conserve fish and wildlife populations and habitats in their natural diversity including, but not limited to, trumpeter swans, white-fronted geese, canvasbacks and other waterfowl and migratory birds, moose, caribou, martens, wolverines and other furbearers, salmon, sheefish, and northern pike;

(ii) to fulfill international treaty obligations of the United States with respect to fish and wildlife and their habitats;

(iii) to provide, in a manner consistent with the purposes set forth in subparagraphs (i) and (ii), the opportunity for continued subsistence uses by local residents; and

(iv) to ensure, to the maximum extent practicable and in a manner consistent with the purposes set forth in paragraph (i), water quality and necessary water quantity within the refuge.

(7) **SELAWIK NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE.**—(A) The Selawik National Wildlife Refuge shall consist of the approximately two million one hundred and fifty thousand acres of public land generally depicted on the map entitled “Selawik National Wildlife Refuge”, dated July 1980. No lands conveyed to any Native Corporation shall be considered to be within the boundaries of the refuge; except that if any such corporation desires to convey any such lands, the Secretary may acquire such lands with the consent of the owner and any such acquired lands shall become public lands of the refuge.

16 USC 668dd
note.

(B) The purposes for which the Selawik National Wildlife Refuge is established and shall be managed include—

(i) to conserve the fish and wildlife populations and habitats in their natural diversity including, but not limited to, the Western Arctic caribou herd (including participation in coordinated ecological studies and management of these caribou), waterfowl, shorebirds and other migratory birds, and salmon and sheefish;

(ii) to fulfill international treaty obligations of the United States with respect to fish and wildlife and their habitats;

(iii) to provide, in a manner consistent with the purposes set forth in subparagraphs (i) and (ii), the opportunity for continued subsistence uses by local residents; and

(iv) to ensure, to the maximum extent practicable and in a manner consistent with the purposes set forth in paragraph

(i), water quality and necessary water quantity within the refuge.

(C) The Secretary shall administer the refuge in such a manner as will permit reindeer grazing uses, including the construction and maintenance of necessary facilities and equipment within the areas, which on January 1, 1976, were subject to reindeer grazing permits.

16 USC 668dd
note.

(8) **TETLIN NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE.**—(A) The Tetlin National Wildlife Refuge shall consist of the approximately seven hundred thousand acres of public land as generally depicted on a map entitled "Tetlin National Wildlife Refuge", dated July 1980. The northern boundary of the refuge shall be a line parallel to, and three hundred feet south, of the centerline of the Alaska Highway.

(B) The purposes for which the Tetlin National Wildlife Refuge is established and shall be managed include—

(i) to conserve fish and wildlife populations and habitats in their natural diversity including, but not limited to, waterfowl, raptors and other migratory birds, furbearers, moose, caribou (including participation in coordinated ecological studies and management of the Chisana caribou herd), salmon and Dolly Varden;

(ii) to fulfill the international treaty obligations of the United States with respect to fish and wildlife and their habitats;

(iii) to provide, in a manner consistent with the purposes set forth in subparagraphs (i) and (ii), the opportunity for continued subsistence uses by local residents;

(iv) to ensure, to the maximum extent practicable and in a manner consistent with the purposes set forth in paragraph (i), water quality and necessary water quantity within the refuge; and

(v) to provide, in a manner consistent with subparagraphs (i) and (ii), opportunities for interpretation and environmental education, particularly in conjunction with any adjacent State visitor facilities.

16 USC 668dd
note.

(9) **YUKON FLATS NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE.**—(A) The Yukon Flats National Wildlife Refuge shall consist of approximately eight million six hundred and thirty thousand acres of public lands as generally depicted on the map entitled "Yukon Flats National Wildlife Refuge", dated July 1980.

(B) The purposes for which the Yukon Flats National Wildlife Refuge is established and shall be managed include—

(i) to conserve fish and wildlife populations and habitats in their natural diversity including, but not limited to, canvasbacks and other migratory birds, Dall sheep, bears, moose, wolves, wolverines and other furbearers, caribou (including participation in coordinated ecological studies and management of the Porcupine and Fortymile caribou herds) and salmon;

(ii) to fulfill the international treaty obligations of the United States with respect to fish and wildlife and their habitats;

(iii) to provide, in a manner consistent with the purposes set forth in subparagraphs (i) and (ii), the opportunity for continued subsistence uses by local residents; and

(iv) to ensure, to the maximum extent practicable and in a manner consistent with the purposes set forth in paragraph

(i), water quality and necessary water quantity within the refuge.

ADDITIONS TO EXISTING REFUGES

SEC. 303. The following areas, consisting of existing refuges and the additions made thereto, are established or redesignated as units of the National Wildlife Refuge System:

(1) ALASKA MARITIME NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE.—(A) The Alaska Maritime National Wildlife Refuge shall consist of eleven existing refuges, including all lands (including submerged lands), waters and interests therein which were a part of such refuges and are hereby redesignated as subunits of the Alaska Maritime National Wildlife Refuge; approximately four hundred and sixty thousand acres of additional public lands on islands, islets, rocks, reefs, spires and designated capes and headlands in the coastal areas and adjacent seas of Alaska, and an undetermined quantity of submerged lands, if any, retained in Federal ownership at the time of statehood around Kodiak and Afognak Islands, as generally depicted on the map entitled "Alaska Maritime National Wildlife Refuge", dated October 1979, including the—

16 USC 668dd
note.

(i) Chukchi Sea Unit—including Cape Lisburne, Cape Thompson, the existing Chamisso National Wildlife Refuge, and all other public lands on islands, islets, rocks, reefs, spires, and designated capes and headlands in the Chukchi Sea, but excluding such other offshore public lands within the Bering Land Bridge National Preserve. That portion of the public lands on Cape Lisburne shall be named and appropriately identified as the "Ann Stevens-Cape Lisburne" subunit of the Chukchi Sea Unit;

Chukchi Sea
Unit.

(ii) Bering Sea Unit—including the existing Bering Sea and Pribilof (Walrus and Otter Islands) National Wildlife Refuges, Hagemester Island, Fairway Rock, Sledge Island, Bluff Unit, Besboro Island, Penuk Islands, Egg Island, King Island, and all other public lands on islands, islets, rocks, reefs, spires and designated capes and headlands in the Bering Sea;

Bering Sea Unit

(iii) Aleutian Islands Unit—including the existing Aleutian Islands and Bogoslof National Wildlife Refuges, and all other public lands in the Aleutian Islands;

Aleutian Islands
Unit.

(iv) Alaska Peninsula Unit—including the existing Simeonof and Semidi National Wildlife Refuges, the Shumagin Islands, Sutwik Island, the islands and headlands of Puale Bay, and all other public lands on islands, islets, rocks, reefs, spires and designated capes and headlands south of the Alaska Peninsula from Katmai National Park to False Pass including such offshore lands incorporated in this unit under section 1427; and

Alaska
Peninsula Unit.

(v) Gulf of Alaska Unit—including the existing Forrester Island, Hazy Islands, Saint Lazaria and Tuxedni National Wildlife Refuges, the Barren Islands, Latax Rocks, Harbor Island, Pye and Chiswell Islands, Ragged, Notoa, Chat, Chevel, Granite and Middleton Islands, the Trinity Islands, all named and unnamed islands, islets, rocks, reefs, spires, and whatever submerged lands, if any, were retained in Federal ownership at the time of statehood surrounding Kodiak and Afognak Islands and all other such public lands on islands, islets, rocks, reefs, spires and designated capes and headlands within the Gulf of Alaska, but excluding such

Gulf of Alaska
Unit.

lands within existing units of the National Park System, Nuka Island and lands within the National Forest System except as provided in section 1427 of this Act.

(B) The purposes for which the Alaska Maritime National Wildlife Refuge is established and shall be managed include—

(i) to conserve fish and wildlife populations and habitats in their natural diversity including, but not limited to marine mammals, marine birds and other migratory birds, the marine resources upon which they rely, bears, caribou and other mammals;

(ii) to fulfill the international treaty obligations of the United States with respect to fish and wildlife and their habitats;

(iii) to provide, in a manner consistent with the purposes set forth in subparagraphs (i) and (ii), the opportunity for continued subsistence uses by local residents;

(iv) to provide, in a manner consistent with subparagraphs (i) and (ii), a program of national and international scientific research on marine resources; and

(v) to ensure, to the maximum extent practicable and in a manner consistent with the purposes set forth in paragraph (i), water quality and necessary water quantity within the refuge.

(C) Any lands acquired pursuant to section 1417 of this Act shall be included as public lands of the Alaska Maritime National Wildlife Refuge.

16 USC 668dd
note.

P.L. 100-395 redesignates
lands in Public Land
Order 6607 as part
of Arctic refuge

(2) ARCTIC NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE.—(A) The Arctic National Wildlife Refuge shall consist of the existing Arctic National Wildlife Range including lands, waters, interests, and whatever submerged lands, if any, were retained in Federal ownership at the time of statehood and an addition of approximately nine million one hundred and sixty thousand acres of public lands, as generally depicted on a map entitled "Arctic National Wildlife Refuge", dated August 1980.

(B) The purposes for which the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge is established and shall be managed include—

(i) to conserve fish and wildlife populations and habitats in their natural diversity including, but not limited to, the Porcupine caribou herd (including participation in coordinated ecological studies and management of this herd and the Western Arctic caribou herd), polar bears, grizzly bears, muskox, Dall sheep, wolves, wolverines, snow geese, peregrine falcons and other migratory birds and Arctic char and grayling;

(ii) to fulfill the international treaty obligations of the United States with respect to fish and wildlife and their habitats;

(iii) to provide, in a manner consistent with the purposes set forth in subparagraphs (i) and (ii), the opportunity for continued subsistence uses by local residents; and

(iv) to ensure, to the maximum extent practicable and in a manner consistent with the purposes set forth in paragraph (i), water quality and necessary water quantity within the refuge.

16 USC 668dd
note.

P.L. 105-277 Sec 353
authorizes construction of
transportation facilities
on King Core corporation land

(3) IZEMBEK NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE.—(A) The existing Izembek National Wildlife Range including the lands, waters and interests of that unit which shall be redesignated as the Izembek National Wildlife Refuge.

(B) The purposes for which the Izembek National Wildlife Refuge is established and shall be managed include—

(i) to conserve fish and wildlife populations and habitats in their natural diversity including, but not limited to, waterfowl, shorebirds and other migratory birds, brown bears and salmonoids;

(ii) to fulfill the international treaty obligations of the United States with respect to fish and wildlife and their habitats;

(iii) to provide, in a manner consistent with the purposes set forth in subparagraphs (i) and (ii), the opportunity for continued subsistence uses by local residents; and

(iv) to ensure, to the maximum extent practicable and in a manner consistent with the purposes set forth in paragraph (i), water quality and necessary water quantity within the refuge.

(4) **KENAI NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE.**—(A) The Kenai National Wildlife Refuge shall consist of the existing Kenai National Moose Range, including lands, waters, interests, and whatever submerged lands, if any, were retained in Federal ownership at the time of statehood, which shall be redesignated as the Kenai National Wildlife Refuge, and an addition of approximately two hundred and forty thousand acres of public lands as generally depicted on the map entitled "Kenai National Wildlife Refuge", dated October 1978, excluding lands described in P.L.O. 3953, March 21, 1966, and P.L.O. 4056, July 22, 1966, withdrawing lands for the Bradley Lake Hydroelectric Project.

(B) The purposes for which the Kenai National Wildlife Refuge is established and shall be managed, include—

(i) to conserve fish and wildlife populations and habitats in their natural diversity including, but not limited to, moose, bears, mountain goats, Dall sheep, wolves and other furbearers, salmonoids and other fish, waterfowl and other migratory and nonmigratory birds;

(ii) to fulfill the international treaty obligations of the United States with respect to fish and wildlife and their habitats;

(iii) to ensure, to the maximum extent practicable and in a manner consistent with the purposes set forth in paragraph (i), water quality and necessary water quantity within the refuge;

(iv) to provide in a manner consistent with subparagraphs (i) and (ii), opportunities for scientific research, interpretation, environmental education, and land management training; and

(v) to provide, in a manner compatible with these purposes, opportunities for fish and wildlife-oriented recreation.

(5) **KODIAK NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE.**—(A) The Kodiak National Wildlife Refuge shall consist of the existing Kodiak National Wildlife Refuge, including lands, waters, interests, and whatever submerged lands, if any, were retained in Federal ownership at the time of statehood, which is redesignated as the Kodiak Island Unit of the Kodiak National Wildlife Refuge, and the addition of all public lands on Afognak and Ban Islands of approximately fifty thousand acres as generally depicted on the map entitled "Kodiak National Wildlife Refuge", dated October 1978. The described public lands on Afognak Island are those incorporated in this refuge from section 1427 of this Act.

P.L. 111-11 Title VI E
authorizes an exchange
of lands in order to
construct a road between
King Cove and Cold Bay,
initiates an EIS, and
sunsets this authorization
if construction delayed 7 years

16 USC 668dd
note.

P.L. 102-458 directs a
land exchange and
easement negotiations.

P.L. 104-333 fulfills
the Kenai Refuge and
Kenai Natives Association
Land transfers and
access easements,
making ANCSA 22(g)
ineffective.

16 USC 668dd
note.

(B) The purposes for which the Kodiak National Wildlife Refuge is established and shall be managed include—

(i) to conserve fish and wildlife populations habitats in their natural diversity including, but not limited to, Kodiak brown bears, salmonoids, sea otters, sea lions and other marine mammals and migratory birds;

(ii) to fulfill the international treaty obligations of the United States with respect to fish and wildlife and their habitats;

(iii) to provide, in a manner consistent with the purposes set forth in subparagraphs (i) and (ii), the opportunity for continued subsistence uses by local residents; and

(iv) to ensure, to the maximum extent practicable and in a manner consistent with the purposes set forth in paragraph (i), water quality and necessary water quantity within the refuge.

16 USC 668dd
note.

(6) **TOGIAK NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE.**—(A) The Togiak National Wildlife Refuge shall consist of the existing Cape Newenham National Wildlife Refuge, including lands, waters, and interests therein, which shall be redesignated as a unit of the Togiak National Wildlife Refuge, and an addition of approximately three million eight hundred and forty thousand acres of public lands, as generally depicted on the map entitled "Togiak National Wildlife Refuge", dated April 1980.

(B) The purposes for which the Togiak National Wildlife Refuge is established and shall be managed include—

(i) to conserve fish and wildlife populations and habitats in their natural diversity including, but not limited to, salmonoids, marine birds and mammals, migratory birds and large mammals (including their restoration to historic levels);

(ii) to fulfill the international treaty obligations of the United States with respect to fish and wildlife and their habitats;

(iii) to provide, in a manner consistent with the purposes set forth in subparagraphs (i) and (ii), the opportunity for continued subsistence uses by local residents; and

(iv) to ensure, to the maximum extent practicable and in a manner consistent with the purposes set forth in paragraph (i), water quality and necessary water quantity within the refuge.

16 USC 668dd
note.

(7) **YUKON DELTA NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE.**—(A) The Yukon Delta National Wildlife Refuge shall consist of the existing Clarence Rhode National Wildlife Range, Hazen Bay National Wildlife Refuge, and Nunivak National Wildlife Refuge, including lands, waters, interests, and whatever submerged lands, if any, were retained in Federal ownership at the time of statehood, which shall be redesignated as units of the Yukon Delta National Wildlife Refuge and the addition of approximately thirteen million four hundred thousand acres of public lands, as generally depicted on the map entitled "Yukon Delta National Wildlife Refuge", dated April 1980.

(B) The purposes for which the Yukon Delta National Wildlife Refuge is established and shall be managed include—

(i) to conserve fish and wildlife populations and habitats in their natural diversity including, but not limited to, shorebirds, seabirds, whistling swans, emperor, white-fronted and Canada geese, black brant and other migratory birds, salmon, muskox, and marine mammals;

(ii) to fulfill the international treaty obligations of the United States with respect to fish and wildlife and their habitats;

(iii) to provide, in a manner consistent with the purposes set forth in subparagraphs (i) and (ii), the opportunity for continued subsistence uses by local residents; and

(iv) to ensure, to the maximum extent practicable and in a manner consistent with the purposes set forth in paragraph (i), water quality and necessary water quantity within the refuge.

(C) Subject to such reasonable regulations as the Secretary may prescribe, reindeer grazing, including necessary facilities and equipment, shall be permitted within areas where such use is, and in a manner which is, compatible with the purposes of this refuge.

(D) Subject to reasonable regulation, the Secretary shall administer the refuge so as to not impede the passage of navigation and access by boat on the Yukon and Kuskokwim Rivers.

ADMINISTRATION OF REFUGES

SEC. 304. (a) Each refuge shall be administered by the Secretary, subject to valid existing rights, in accordance with the laws governing the administration of units of the National Wildlife Refuge System, and this Act.

(b) In applying section 4(d) of the National Wildlife Refuge System Administration Act of 1966 (16 U.S.C. 668dd) with respect to each refuge, the Secretary may not permit any use, or grant easements for any purpose described in such section 4(d) unless such use (including but not limited to any oil and gas leasing permitted under paragraph (2)) or purpose is compatible with the purposes of the refuge. The Secretary shall prescribe such regulations and impose such terms and conditions as may be necessary and appropriate to ensure that activities carried out under any use or easement granted under any authority are so compatible.

(c) All public lands (including whatever submerged lands, if any, beneath navigable waters of the United States (as that term is defined in section 1301(a) of title 43, United States Code) were retained in Federal ownership at the time of statehood) in each National Wildlife Refuge and any other National Wildlife Refuge System unit in Alaska are hereby withdrawn, subject to valid existing rights, from future selections by the State of Alaska and Native Corporations, from all forms of appropriation or disposal under the public land laws, including location, entry and patent under the mining laws but not from operation of mineral leasing laws.

(d) The Secretary shall permit within units of the National Wildlife Refuge System designated, established, or enlarged by this Act, the exercise of valid commercial fishing rights or privileges obtained pursuant to existing law and the use of Federal lands, subject to reasonable regulation, for campsites, cabins, motorized vehicles, and aircraft landings directly incident to the exercise of such rights or privileges: *Provided*, That nothing in this section shall require the Secretary to permit the exercise of rights or privileges or uses of the Federal lands directly incident to such exercise, which he determines, after conducting a public hearing in the affected locality, to be inconsistent with the purposes of a unit of the National Wildlife Refuge System as described in this section and to be a significant

P.L. 102-172 authorizes a land exchange between Calista Corp + Secretary to resolve ANCSA 22(g) restrictions
P.L. 105-333 directs the land exchange to be implemented without delay.

P.L. 100-395 redesignates 325,000 acres in PLD 6607 as part of Arctic Refuge + administered under Sec 304

Refuge use or easements.

Regulations.

Commercial fishing rights or privileges.

expansion of commercial fishing activities within such unit beyond the level of such activities during 1979.

(e) Where compatible with the purposes of the refuge unit, the Secretary may permit, subject to reasonable regulations and in accord with sound fisheries management principles, scientifically acceptable means of maintaining, enhancing, and rehabilitating fish stock.

Cooperative
management
agreements.

(f)(1) The Secretary is authorized to enter into cooperative management agreements with any Native Corporation, the State, any political subdivision of the State, or any other person owning or occupying land which is located within, or adjacent or near to, any national wildlife refuge. Each cooperative management agreement (hereinafter in this section referred to as an "agreement") shall provide that the land subject to the agreement shall be managed by the owner or occupant in a manner compatible with the major purposes of the refuge to which such land pertains including the opportunity for continuation of subsistence uses by local rural residents.

(2) Each agreement shall—

(A) set forth such uses of the land subject to the agreement which are compatible with the management goals set forth in subsection (f)(1);

(B) permit the Secretary reasonable access to such land for purposes relating to the administration of the refuge and to carry out the obligations of the Secretary under the agreement;

(C) permit reasonable access to such land by officers of the State for purposes of conserving fish and wildlife;

(D) set forth those services or other consideration which the Secretary agrees to provide the owner or occupant in return for the owner or occupant entering into the agreement, which services may include technical and other assistance with respect to fire control, trespass control, law enforcement, resource and land use planning, the conserving of fish and wildlife and the protection, maintenance and enhancement of any special values of the land subject to the agreement;

(E) set forth such additional terms and conditions as the Secretary and the owner or occupant may agree to as being necessary and appropriate to carry out the management goals as set forth in subsection (f)(1); and

(F) specify the effective period of the agreement.

Comprehensive
conservation
plan.

(g)(1) The Secretary shall prepare, and from time to time, revise, a comprehensive conservation plan (hereinafter in this subsection referred to as the "plan") for each refuge.

(2) Before developing a plan for each refuge, the Secretary shall identify and describe—

(A) the populations and habitats of the fish and wildlife resources of the refuge;

(B) the special values of the refuge, as well as any other archeological, cultural, ecological, geological, historical, paleontological, scenic, or wilderness value of the refuge;

(C) areas within the refuge that are suitable for use as administrative sites or visitor facilities, or for visitor services, as provided for in sections 1305 and 1306 of this Act;

(D) present and potential requirements for access with respect to the refuge, as provided for in title XI; and

(E) significant problems which may adversely affect the populations and habitats of fish and wildlife identified and described under subparagraph (A).

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(3) Each plan shall—

(A) be based upon the identifications and the descriptions required to be made under paragraph (2)—

(i) designate areas within the refuge according to their respective resources and values;

(ii) specify the programs for conserving fish and wildlife and the programs relating to maintaining the values referred to in paragraph (2)(B), proposed to be implemented within each such area; and

(iii) specify the uses within each such area which may be compatible with the major purposes of the refuge; and

(B) set forth those opportunities which will be provided within the refuge for fish and wildlife-oriented recreation, ecological research, environmental education and interpretation of refuge resources and values, if such recreation, research, education, and interpretation is compatible with the purposes of the refuge.

(4) In preparing each plan and revisions thereto, the Secretary shall consult with the appropriate State agencies and Native Corporations, and shall hold public hearings in such locations in the State as may be appropriate to insure that residents of local villages and political subdivisions of the State which will be primarily affected by the administration of the refuge concerned have opportunity to present their views with respect to the plan or revisions.

Public hearings.

(5) Before adopting a plan for any refuge, the Secretary shall issue public notice of the proposed plan in the Federal Register, make copies of the plan available at each regional office of the United States Fish and Wildlife Service and provide opportunity for public views and comment on the plan.

Publication in Federal Register.

(6) With respect to refuges established, redesignated, or expanded by section 302 or 303 the Secretary shall prepare plans for—

(A) not less than five refuges within three years after the date of the enactment of this Act;

(B) not less than ten refuges within five years after such date;

(C) all refuges within seven years after such date. With respect to any refuge established in the State after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary shall prepare a plan for the refuge within two years after the date of its establishment; and

(D) in the case of any refuge established, redesignated, or expanded by this title with respect to which a wilderness review is required under this Act, at the same time the President submits his recommendation concerning such unit under such section to the Congress, the Secretary shall submit to the appropriate committees of the Congress the conservation plan for that unit.

Conservation plan, submittal to congressional committees.

PRIOR AUTHORITIES

Sec. 305. All proclamations, Executive orders, public land orders, and other administrative actions in effect on the day before the date of the enactment of this Act with respect to units of the National Wildlife Refuge System in the State shall remain in force and effect except to the extent that they are inconsistent with this Act or the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act and, in any such case, the provisions of such Acts shall prevail. All land within the boundaries described or depicted in any such action shall, if the unit of the National Wildlife Refuge System concerned is incorporated within any refuge established or redesignated by or described in section 302 or 303, be included within such refuge. All funds available on such date of enactment for administration of any refuge shall remain available for the administration of such refuge.

48 USC 1601 note.

SPECIAL STUDY

Caribou.
16 USC 3145
note.

SEC. 306. (a) The Congress finds that the barren-ground caribou are a migratory species deserving of careful study and special protection, and that the Western Arctic and the Porcupine herds of such caribou are of national and international significance.

Review.
Contracts.

(b) The Secretary of the Interior shall conduct, and the Governor of Alaska is urged to cooperate with the Secretary in conducting, an ecological study of the barren-ground caribou herds north of the Yukon River and the herds that have been known to migrate between the United States and Canada, including, but not limited to, a determination of the seasonal migration patterns, reproduction and mortality rates, composition and age structure, behavioral characteristics, habitats (including but not limited to calving, feeding, summering and wintering areas, and key migration routes) that are critical to their natural stability and productivity and the effects on the herds of development by man, predation, and disease. In conducting this study the Secretary shall review the experience of other Arctic circumpolar countries with caribou and is authorized to enter into such contracts as he deems necessary to carry out portions or all of this study.

TITLE IV—NATIONAL CONSERVATION AREA AND NATIONAL RECREATION AREA

P.L. 104-333 Sec 311
designates 37,000 acres adjacent
to Kanuti Refuge as a
special BLM management area,
protecting access by
applying Sec. 1110 to
the area.

ESTABLISHMENT OF STEESE NATIONAL CONSERVATION AREA

SEC. 401. (a) In order to provide for the immediate and future protection of the lands in Federal ownership within the framework of a program of multiple use and sustained yield and for the maintenance of environmental quality, the Steese National Conservation Area is hereby established.

P.L. 111-11 establishes
a National Conservation
System of certain BLM
lands, including Steese,
but retains ANILCA
management provisions

(b) The Steese National Conservation Area shall include approximately one million two hundred twenty thousand acres of public lands, as generally depicted on the map entitled "Steese National Conservation Area—proposed", and dated October 1978. Special values to be considered in planning and management of the area are: caribou range and Birch Creek.

ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS

Land use plan.
development.
16 USC
460mm-1.

43 USC 1701
note.

SEC. 402. (a) Subject to valid existing rights, the Secretary, through the Bureau of Land Management, shall administer the Steese National Conservation Area established in section 401 pursuant to the applicable provisions of the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976 dealing with the management and use of land in Federal ownership, and shall, within five years of the date of enactment of this Act, develop a land use plan for each such area, and for the area established in section 403.

43 USC 1716.

(b) No public lands within the national conservation area shall be transferred out of Federal ownership except by exchange pursuant to section 206 of the Federal Land Policy and Management Act. Where consistent with the land use plans for the area, mineral development may be permitted pursuant to the Mineral Leasing Act of 1920, as amended, and supplemented (30 U.S.C. 181-287) or the Materials Act of 1947, as amended (30 U.S.C. 601-603). Subject to valid existing rights, the minerals in Federal lands within national conservation areas are hereby withdrawn from location, entry, and patent under the United States mining laws (30 U.S.C. 22-54). Where consistent

with the land use plan for the area, the Secretary may classify lands within national conservation areas as suitable for locatable mineral exploration and development and open such lands to entry, location, and patent under the United States mining laws (30 U.S.C. 22-54).

(c) Subject to valid existing rights, all mining claims located within any such unit shall be subject to such reasonable regulations as the Secretary may prescribe to assure that mining will, to the maximum extent practicable, be consistent with protection of the scenic, scientific, cultural, and other resources of the area and any patent issued after the date of enactment of this Act shall convey title only to the minerals together with the right to use the surface of lands for mining purposes subject to such reasonable regulations as the Secretary may prescribe as aforesaid.

ESTABLISHMENT OF WHITE MOUNTAINS NATIONAL RECREATION AREA

SEC. 403. There is hereby established the White Mountains National Recreation Area containing approximately one million acres of public lands, as generally depicted on the map entitled "White Mountains National Recreation Area—proposed", and dated October 1978. Subject to valid existing rights, the Secretary shall administer the area in accordance with the provisions of section 1312 and other applicable provisions of this Act, the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976, and other applicable law. In planning for the recreational use and management of this area, the Secretary shall work closely with the State of Alaska.

16 USC
460mm-2.

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43 USC 1701
note.

RIGHTS OF HOLDERS OF UNPERFECTED MINING CLAIMS

SEC. 404. (a) The term "unperfected mining claim" as used in this section, means a mining claim which is located on lands within the boundaries of the White Mountains National Recreation Area or Steese National Conservation Area established pursuant to this title with respect to which a valid mineral discovery within the meaning of the mining laws of the United States, was not made as of the date of the withdrawal of such area from further appropriation under the mining laws of the United States.

"Unperfected
mining claim."
16 USC 460
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(b) MORATORIUM ON CONTEST PROCEEDINGS.—Any holder of an unperfected mining claim seeking to protect such claim pursuant to this section must have maintained and must continue to maintain such claim in compliance with applicable Federal and State laws, and where applicable, must have obtained and complied with any mining access permit requirements imposed by the Department of the Interior during the 1979 mining season. Prior to September 30, 1982, no unperfected mining claim which has been maintained in accordance with this subsection shall be contested by the United States for failure to have made a valid mineral discovery within the meaning of the mining laws of the United States: *Provided*, That such claim shall be diligently prosecuted during this moratorium on contest proceedings as a condition for the moratorium. Any mining operation undertaken pursuant to this subsection, including but not limited to exploration, development, and extraction, shall be subject to such reasonable regulations as the Secretary may prescribe to assure that such operations will, to the maximum extent practicable, be consistent with protection of the scenic, scientific, cultural, and other resources of the Steese National Conservation Area or the White Mountains National Recreation Area or any affected conservation system units established or expanded by this Act.

(c) **VALID MINERAL DISCOVERY.**—If the holder of an unperfected mining claim notifies the Secretary by filing an application for a patent that, as a result of mining operations in compliance with the requirements of subsection (b), he has made a valid mineral discovery on such claim within the meaning of the mining laws of the United States, and if the Secretary determines that such claim contains a valid mineral discovery, the holder of such claim shall be entitled to the issuance of a patent only to the minerals in such claim pursuant to the mining laws of the United States. The holder of such a patent shall also be entitled to the use of so much of the surface estate of the lands comprising the claim as may be necessary for mining purposes: *Provided*, That all mining operations conducted upon a claim after such a valid mineral discovery has been made, shall be in accordance with such reasonable regulations as may be issued by the Secretary pursuant to the authority granted in subsection (b) of this section.

(d) **VALIDITY DETERMINATION.**—If an application for a patent is filed by the holder of an unperfected mining claim pursuant to subsection (c) or if a contest proceeding is initiated by the United States after September 30, 1982, the validity of each claim shall be determined as of the date of the patent application or September 30, 1982, whichever is earlier. The holder of an unperfected mining claim not subject to a patent application filed prior to September 30, 1982, shall submit to the Secretary within one hundred and eighty days after such date all mineral data compiled during the contest proceeding moratorium which would support a valid mineral discovery within the meaning of the mining laws of the United States. Failure to submit such data within the one-hundred-and-eighty-day period shall preclude its consideration in a subsequent determination of the validity of each affected claim. Except as specifically provided for in this section, nothing shall alter the criteria applied under the general mining laws of the United States to adjudicate the validity of unperfected mining claims.

(e) **ACCESS TO CLAIMS.**—Pursuant to the provisions of this section and section 1110 of this Act, reasonable access shall be granted to an unperfected mining claim for purposes of making a valid discovery of mineral until September 30, 1982.

(f) **PREFERENCE RIGHTS.**—The holder of any unperfected mining claim which was, prior to November 16, 1978, located, recorded, and maintained in accordance with applicable Federal and State laws on lands located within the boundaries of the Steese National Conservation Area, or the White Mountains National Recreation Area established by this title, shall be entitled during a two-year period after the date that the Secretary exercises his authority under section 402 or 1312 to open an area containing such claim to mining, (1) to a preference right to rerecord his claim under applicable law and to develop such claim under section 402 or (2) to obtain a lease to remove nonleasable minerals from the claim under section 1312.

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TITLE V—NATIONAL FOREST SYSTEM

ADDITIONS TO EXISTING NATIONAL FORESTS

16 USC 539.

SEC. 501. (a) The following units of the National Forest System are hereby expanded:

Chugach
National Forest.

(1) Chugach National Forest by the addition of four areas, Nellie Juan, College Fjord, Copper/Rude River, and Controller Bay, containing approximately one million nine hundred thousand acres of public land, as generally depicted on the map

P.L. 101-622 requires a comprehensive study of Kadashan WUDII area in consultation with State, Tenakee, & others, including assessing a transportation corridor through Kadashan river valley.

entitled "Chugach National Forest additions—proposed", and dated October 1978; and

(2) Tongass National Forest by the addition of three areas, Kates Needle, Juneau Icefield, and Brabazon Range, containing approximately one million four hundred and fifty thousand acres of public lands, as generally depicted on the map entitled "Tongass National Forest additions—proposed", and dated October 1978.

(b) Subject to valid existing rights, lands added to the Tongass and Chugach National Forests by this section shall be administered by the Secretary in accordance with the applicable provisions of this Act and the laws, rules, and regulations applicable to the national forest system: *Provided*, That the conservation of fish and wildlife and their habitat shall be the primary purpose for the management of the Copper/Rude River addition and the Copper River-Bering River portion of the existing Chugach National Forest, as generally depicted on the map appropriately referenced and dated October 1978: *Provided*, That the taking of fish and wildlife shall be permitted within zones established by this subsection pursuant to the provisions of this Act and other applicable State and Federal law. Multiple use activities shall be permitted in a manner consistent with the conservation of fish and wildlife and their habitat as set forth in special regulations which shall be promulgated by the Secretary.

Tongass
National Forest.

P.L. 100-626 amends the Nat'l Forest Management Act of 1976 to delete the exemption for sales of timber on Nat'l Forest Lands in Alaska.

P.L. 100-626 prohibits Sec. of Agriculture from road construction connecting Indian Road Game Creek roads or to connect Tenakee Springs to logging roads on Special Chignik of Island regulations. unless approved by Tenakee Springs + Hoonah.

MINING AND MINERAL LEASING ON CERTAIN NATIONAL FOREST LANDS

SEC. 502. Subject to valid existing rights, the minerals in public lands within the Copper River addition to the Chugach National Forest, are hereby withdrawn from location, entry, and patent under the United States mining laws. With respect to such areas, the Secretary, under such reasonable regulations as he deems appropriate, may permit the removal of nonleasable minerals from the lands in the manner prescribed by Reorganization Plan Numbered 3 of 1946 and the Act of March 4, 1917 (39 Stat. 1150; 16 U.S.C. 520), and the removal of leasable minerals from such lands in accordance with the mineral leasing laws, if the Secretary finds that such disposition would not have significant adverse effects on the administration of the area. All receipts derived from disposal of nonleasable minerals under this section shall be paid into the same funds or accounts in the Treasury of the United States and shall be distributed in the same manner as provided for receipts from national forests.

16 USC 539a.

5 USC app.

MISTY FJORDS AND ADMIRALTY ISLAND NATIONAL MONUMENTS

SEC. 503. (a) There is hereby established within the Tongass National Forest, the Misty Fjords National Monument, containing approximately two million two hundred and eighty-five thousand acres of public lands as generally depicted on a map entitled "Misty Fjords National Monument—Proposed", dated July 1980.

16 USC 431 note.

(b) There is hereby established within the Tongass National Forest, the Admiralty Island National Monument, containing approximately nine hundred and twenty-one thousand acres of public lands as generally depicted on a map entitled "Admiralty Island National Monument—Proposed", dated July 1980.

16 USC 431 note.

(c) Subject to valid existing rights and except as provided in this section, the National Forest Monuments (hereinafter in this section referred to as the "Monuments") shall be managed by the Secretary of Agriculture as units of the National Forest System to protect

Management by
Agriculture
Secretary.

objects of ecological, cultural, geological, historical, prehistorical, and scientific interest.

(d) Within the Monuments, the Secretary shall not permit the sale of harvesting of timber: *Provided*, That nothing in this subsection shall prevent the Secretary from taking measures as may be necessary in the control of fire, insects, and disease.

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(e) For the purposes of granting rights-of-way to occupy, use or traverse public land within the Monuments pursuant to title XI, the provisions of section 1106(b) of this Act shall apply.

(f)(1) Subject to valid existing rights and the provisions of this Act, the lands within the Monuments are hereby withdrawn from all forms of entry or appropriation or disposal under the public land laws, including location, entry, and patent under United States mining laws, disposition under the mineral leasing laws, and from future selections by the State of Alaska and Native Corporations;

Valid mining claims.

(2)(A) After the date of enactment of this Act, any person who is the holder of any valid mining claim on public lands located within the boundaries of the Monuments, shall be permitted to carry out activities related to the exercise of rights under such claim in accordance with reasonable regulations promulgated by the Secretary to assure that such activities are compatible, to the maximum extent feasible, with the purposes for which the Monuments were established.

(B) For purposes of determining the validity of a mining claim containing a sufficient quantity and quality of mineral as of November 30, 1978, to establish a valuable deposit within the meaning of the mining laws of the United States within the Monuments, the requirements of the mining laws of the United States shall be construed as if access and mill site rights associated with such claim allow the present use of the Monuments' land as such land could have been used on November 30, 1978.

90 Stat. 1342.

(g) MINING IN THE PARKS ACT.—The Act of September 28, 1976 (Public Law 94-249), shall not apply to the Monuments.

Mining development analysis document.

(h)(1) Any special use permit for a surface access road for bulk sampling of the mineral deposit at Quartz Hill in the Tongass National Forest shall be issued in accordance with this subsection.

(2) The Secretary of Agriculture, in consultation with the Secretaries of Commerce and the Interior and the State of Alaska, shall prepare a document which analyzes mine development, concepts prepared by United States Borax and Chemical Corporation on the proposed development of a molybdenum mine in the Quartz Hill area of the Tongass National Forest. The draft of such document shall be completed within six months after the date of enactment of this Act and be made available for public comment. The analysis shall be completed within nine months after the date of enactment and the results made available to the public. This analysis shall include detailed discussions of but not necessarily be limited to—

Public availability.

(A) the concepts which are under consideration for mine development;

(B) the general foreseeable potential environmental impacts of each mine development concept and the studies which are likely to be needed to evaluate and otherwise address those impacts; and

(C) the likely surface access needs and routes for each mine development concept.

Environmental impact statement.
42 USC 4321 note.

(3) The Secretary shall prepare an environmental impact statement (EIS) under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 which covers an access road for bulk sampling purposes and the bulk

sampling phase proposed by United States Borax and Chemical Corporation in the Quartz Hill area. A draft of such EIS shall be completed within twelve months after the date of enactment of this Act. This EIS shall incorporate all relevant data and other information included in the EIS previously prepared by the Secretary on access to the Quartz Hill area. Such EIS shall also include but not necessarily be limited to—

(A) an evaluation of alternative surface access routes which may minimize the overall impact on fisheries of both access for bulk sampling and mine development access;

(B) an evaluation of the impacts of the alternatives on fish, wildlife, and their habitats, and measures which may be instituted to avoid or minimize negative impacts and to enhance positive impacts;

(C) an evaluation of the extent to which the alternatives can be used for, and the likelihood of each alternative being used as a mine development road, including the impacts of widening a road, realignments and other design and placement options; and

(D) plans to evaluate the water quality and water quantity, fishery habitat, and other fishery values of the affected area, and to evaluate, to the maximum extent feasible and relevant, the sensitivity to environmental degradation from activities carried out under a plan of operations of the fishery habitat as it affects the various life stages of anadromous fish and other foodfish and their major food chain components.

(4)(A) Within four months after the publication of the final environmental impact statement required in subsection (h)(3), the Secretary shall complete any administrative review of a decision on the proposal covered by the EIS and shall issue to the applicant a special use permit for a surface access road for bulk sampling unless he shall determine that construction or use of such a road would cause an unreasonable risk of significant irreparable damage to the habitats of viable populations of fish management indicator species and the continued productivity of such habitats. If the applicant should seek judicial review of any denial of the permit for a surface access road, the burden of proof on the issue of denying the permit shall be on the Secretary.

Administrative
review

(B) The Secretary shall not issue a special use permit until after he has determined that the full field season of work for gathering base line data during 1981 has ended.

(5) It is the intent of Congress that any judicial review of any administrative action pursuant to this section, including compliance with the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, shall be expedited to the maximum extent possible. Any proceeding before a Federal court in which an administrative action pursuant to this section, including compliance with the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, is challenged shall be assigned for hearing and completed at the earliest possible date, and shall be expedited in every way by such court, and such court shall render its final decision relative to any challenge within one hundred and twenty days after the date the response to such challenge is filed unless such court determines that a longer period of time is required to satisfy the requirements of the United States Constitution.

Judicial review.

42 USC 4321
note.

(6) Upon application of the United States Borax and Chemical Corporation or its successors in interest, the Secretary shall permit the use by such applicant of such limited areas within the Misty Fjords National Monument Wilderness as the Secretary determines to be necessary for activities, including but not limited to the

installation, maintenance, and use of navigation aids, docking facilities, and staging and transfer facilities, associated with the development of the mineral deposit at Quartz Hill. Such activities shall not include mineral extraction, milling, or processing. Such activities shall be subject to reasonable regulations issued by the Secretary to protect the values of the monument wilderness.

(7) Within the Misty Fjords National Monument Wilderness the Secretary of Agriculture shall, to the extent he finds necessary, allow salvage, cleanup, or other activity related to the development of the mineral deposit at Quartz Hill, including activities necessary due to emergency conditions.

(8) Designation by section 703 of this Act of the Misty Fjords National Monument Wilderness shall not be deemed to enlarge, diminish, add, or waive any substantive or procedural requirements otherwise applicable to the use of offshore waters adjacent to the Monument Wilderness for activities related to the development of the mineral deposit at Quartz Hill, including, but not limited to, navigation, access, and the disposal of mine tailings produced in connection with such development.

Mineral
deposits, mining
or milling leases.

(i)(1) With respect to the mineral deposits at Quartz Hill and Greens Creek in the Tongass National Forest, the holders of valid mining claims under subsection (f)(2)(B) shall be entitled to a lease (and necessary associated permits) on lands under the Secretary's jurisdiction (including lands within any conservation system unit) at fair market value for use for mining or milling purposes in connection with the milling of minerals from such claims situated within the Monuments only if the Secretary determines—

(A) that milling activities necessary to develop such claims cannot be feasibly carried out on such claims or on other land owned by such holder;

(B) that the use of the site to be leased will not cause irreparable harm to the Misty Fjords or the Admiralty Island National Monument; and

(C) that the use of such leased area for such purposes will cause less environmental harm than the use of any other reasonably available location.

With respect to any lease issued under this subsection, the Secretary shall limit the size of the area covered by such lease to an area he determines to be adequate to carry out the milling process for the mineral bearing material on such claims.

(2) A lease under this subsection shall be subject to such reasonable terms and conditions as the Secretary deems necessary.

Lease
termination.

(3) A lease under this subsection shall terminate—

(A) at such time as the mineral deposit is exhausted; or

(B) upon failure of the lessee to use the leased site for two consecutive years unless such nonuse is waived annually by the Secretary.

(j) SPECIAL USE PERMITS AND FACILITIES.—The Special Use Permit for Thayer Lake Lodge shall be renewed as necessary for the longest of either—

(1) fifteen years after the date of enactment of this Act, or

(2) the lifetime of the permittee, as designated in such permit as of January 1, 1979, or the surviving spouse or child of such permittee, whoever lives longer,

so long as the management of the lodge remains consistent with the purposes of the Admiralty Island National Monument.

UNPERFECTED MINING CLAIMS IN MISTY FJORDS AND ADMIRALTY ISLAND
NATIONAL MONUMENTS**SEC. 504. (a) DEFINITIONS.—**As used in this section:

- (1) The term "unperfected claim" means a mining claim:
- (A) which is within the Misty Fjords or Admiralty Island National Monuments;
 - (B) with respect to which a valid mineral discovery, within the meaning of the mining laws of the United States, was not made as of November 30, 1978; and
 - (C) which was, as of such date, properly located, recorded, and maintained.
- (2) The term "core claim" means—
- (A) a patented mining claim; or
 - (B) an unpatented mining claim which—
 - (i) contained a valid mineral discovery within the meaning of the mining laws of the United States as of November 30, 1978, and
 - (ii) was, as of such date, properly located, recorded, and maintained.

(b) **ENTITLEMENT.—**Any holder of an unperfected mining claim who meets the requirements of this section shall be entitled as provided in this section—

- (1) to receive an exploration permit with respect to such claim, and
- (2) to receive a patent only to the minerals upon making a valid mineral discovery on such claim within the meaning of the mining laws of the United States.

(c) EXPLORATION PERMITS.—

(1) Permits authorizing the exploration of an unperfected mining claim shall be issued by the Secretary under this section upon application under subsection (d) if the Secretary determines that—

(A) an application for such permit has been submitted within two-hundred-seventy days after the date of the enactment of this Act, and such application meets the requirements of subsection (d);

(B) the unperfected claim is within three-quarters of a mile of the exterior boundary of one or more core claims, and both the unperfected claim and core claim were held by the applicant as of May 1, 1979 (or were acquired by such applicant after such date by inheritance or devise); and

(C) the core claim and the unperfected claim which is within the area referred to in subsection (B) are properly located, recorded, and maintained, to the extent required by law, as of the date of the Secretary's determination under this subsection.

(2)(A) Each exploration permit issued under this section shall terminate on the date five years after the date of the enactment of this Act, or where applicable, the date provided under subparagraph (c)(2)(B), or subparagraph (c)(2)(C).

(B) For any permit applicant, with respect to which the Secretary fails to meet the eighteen-month deadline under subsection (d) for any reason (including delays caused by administrative or judicial proceedings) beyond the control of the applicant, the exploration permit issued under this section shall terminate at the end of the period (after expiration of the five-years

→ P.L. 99-235 inserts here
"or, with respect to...."

Termination.

P.L. 99-235 addition

P.L. 99-235 adds new subparagraph (C) here

referred to in subparagraph (c)(2)(A) as is equal to the time during which the Secretary failed to meet such deadline.

(3) Any permit under this section shall include such reasonable conditions and stipulations as may be required by the Secretary.

(d) APPLICATIONS FOR EXPLORATION PERMITS.—An application under subsection (b) shall contain—

(1) the applicant's name, address, and telephone number;

(2) the name of the claim, the date of location of the claim, the date of recordation of the claim, and the serial number assigned to such claim under the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976; and

(3) evidence that the requirements of subparagraphs (B) and (C) of subsection (c)(1) are met.

Upon the Secretary's determination that the requirements of subsection (c) are met with respect to any claim, the Secretary shall issue an exploration permit for such claim not later than eighteen months after the date on which he receives the application under this subsection concerning such claim.

(e) VALID MINERAL DISCOVERY.—

(1) If the holder of an unperfected mining claim for which an exploration permit was issued under this section notifies the Secretary ~~before the expiration of such permit~~, that he has made a valid mineral discovery within the meaning of the mining laws of the United States on such claim, and if it is determined that such claim contains a valid mineral discovery, the holder of such claim shall be entitled to the issuance of a patent only to the minerals in such claim pursuant to the mining laws of the United States, together with a right to use so much of the surface of the lands on such claim as may be necessary for mining and milling purposes, subject to such reasonable regulations as the Secretary may prescribe for general application to mining and milling activities within the National Forest System.

(2) Any unperfected claim for which an exploration permit under this section was issued shall be conclusively presumed to be abandoned and shall be void ~~upon expiration of such permit~~ unless the owner of such claim has notified the Secretary in writing as provided in paragraph (e)(1).

(f) LEASES FOR MILLING PURPOSES.—

(1) The Secretary may issue leases (and necessary associated permits) on lands under the jurisdiction (including lands within any conservation system unit) at fair market value for use for mining or milling purposes in connection with the milling of minerals from any valid mining claim situated within the Misty Fjords or Admiralty Island National Monuments.

(2) A lease may be issued under this subsection if the Secretary determines—

(A) that the use of the site to be leased will not cause irreparable harm to the Monument; and

(B) that the use of such leased area for such purposes will cause less environmental harm than the use of any other reasonably available location.

(3) A lease under this subsection shall be subject to such reasonable terms and conditions as the Secretary deems necessary.

(4) A lease under this subsection shall terminate—

(A) at such time as the mineral deposit is exhausted; or

P.L. 99-235 replaces with: "on or before the date..."

P.L. 99-235 replaces with: "at midnight December 2, 1980"
P.L. 99-235 inserts new paragraph (3) here:

Termination.

(B) upon failure of the lessee to use the leased site for two consecutive years unless such nonuse is waived annually by the Secretary.

(g) ACCESS TO MINING CLAIMS.—The holder of an unperfected mining claim with respect to which a valid mineral discovery is made under an exploration permit under this section shall be entitled to the same access rights as the holder of a valid mining claim is entitled to under section 1110. The holder of the unperfected claim with respect to which an exploration permit is in effect under this section shall be entitled to such adequate access, as described in section 1110 as may be necessary to carry out exploration under such permit.

Post, p. 2464.

(h) PUBLIC NOTICE.—The Secretary shall provide public notice of the requirements of this section not later than ninety days after the date of the enactment of this Act.

(i) SAVINGS PROVISION.—

(1) Nothing in this section shall impair any valid existing right.

(2) Nothing in this section diminishes authorities of the Secretary under any other provision of law to regulate mining activities.

(3) Nothing in this section shall be construed to affect, in any way, any other provision of Federal law outside the State of Alaska.

(j) This section shall not apply to any unperfected mining claim which is located within one mile of the center line of the Blossom River from its headwaters to its confluence with the Wilson Arm.

← P.L. 99-235 adds subsec(k)

FISHERIES ON NATIONAL FOREST LANDS IN ALASKA

SEC. 505. (a) The Secretary of Agriculture shall, in consultation with the Secretaries of Commerce and the Interior, and with the State of Alaska, pursuant to his existing authority to manage surface resources, promulgate such reasonable regulations as he determines necessary after consideration of existing laws and regulations to maintain the habitats, to the maximum extent feasible, of anadromous fish and other foodfish, and to maintain the present and continued productivity of such habitat when such habitats are affected by mining activities on national forest lands in Alaska. The Secretary of Agriculture, in consultation with the State, shall assess the effects on the populations of such fish in determinations made pursuant to this subsection.

Regulations.
16 USC 539b.

Assessment.

(b) Because of the large scale of contemplated mining operations and the proximity of such operations to important fishery resources, with respect to mining operations in the Quartz Hill area of the Tongass National Forest, the regulations of the Secretary shall, pursuant to this subsection, include a requirement that all mining operations involving significant surface disturbance shall be in accordance with an approved plan of operations. Before approving any proposed plan or distinct stages of such plan of operations for any such claims when any fishery habitat or fishery value may be affected, the Secretary shall, in consultation with the Secretaries of Commerce and the Interior and the State of Alaska, determine—

Approved plan of operations, requirement.

(1) that such plan or stages of such plan are based upon and shall include studies or information which he determines are adequate for—

(A) evaluating the water quality and water quantity, fishery habitat, and other fishery values of the affected area; and

- Risk and benefit identification.
- (B) evaluating to the maximum extent feasible and relevant, the sensitivity to environmental degradation from activities carried out under such plan of the fishery habitat as it affects the various life stages of anadromous fish and other foodfish and their major food chain components;
- (2) that such plan adequately identifies the risks the operations under such plan or such stages might pose to and the benefits the operations under such plan might provide to—
- (A) the natural stability and the present and continued productivity of anadromous fish and other foodfish;
- (B) fishery habitat, including but not limited to water quality and water quantity; and
- (C) other fishery values;
- (3) that such plan includes provisions which he determines are adequate for the purposes of—
- (A) preventing significant adverse environmental impacts to the fishery habitat (including but not limited to water quality and water quantity) or other fishery values; and
- (B) maintaining present and continued productivity of the habitat of anadromous fish and other foodfish which might be affected by the mining and other activities proposed to be conducted in accordance with such plan or such stages of the plan of operations;
- (4)(A) the Secretary shall ensure, to the maximum extent feasible, that the cumulative effects of activities carried out under the operating plan will not interfere with the ability to collect baseline information needed by the Secretary to evaluate the effects of various stages of the operating plan on the fishery habitat and productivity of such habitats;
- Review. (B) the Secretary shall review such plan and mining activities on at least an annual basis. With respect to any mining or associated activities, the Secretary, if he determines upon notice and hearing, that the activities are harmful to the continued productivity of anadromous fish, or other foodfish populations or fishery habitat, shall require a modification of the plan to eliminate or mitigate, if necessary, the harmful effects of such activities; and
- Activity suspension. (5) upon a finding by the Secretary that a mining activity conducted as a part of a mining operation exists which constitutes a threat of irreparable harm to anadromous fish, or other foodfish populations or their habitat, and that immediate correction is required to prevent such harm, he may require such activity to be suspended for not to exceed seven days, provided the activity may be resumed at the end of said seven-day period unless otherwise required by a United States district court.
- (c) Nothing in this section shall enlarge or diminish the responsibility and authority of the State of Alaska to manage fish and wildlife or to exercise its other responsibilities under applicable law.
- (d) Except as specifically provided in subsection (b)(5), nothing in this section shall enlarge or diminish the responsibilities and authorities of the Secretary of Agriculture to manage the national forests.

P.L. 101-378 directs

improvements of Federal land management under Sec. 506(a).

authorizes land exchange agreements, other agreements, and any lands acquired by the US became part of Admiralty Monument.

ADMIRALTY ISLAND LAND EXCHANGES

SEC. 506. (a)(1) Congress hereby recognizes the necessity to reconcile the national need to preserve the natural and recreational values of the Admiralty Island National Monument with the economic and cultural needs and expectations of Kootznoowoo, Incorporated, and

Sealaska, Incorporated, as provided by the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act and this Act.

(2) Nothing in this section shall affect the continuation of the opportunity for subsistence uses by residents of Admiralty Island, consistent with title VIII of this Act.

(3) Subject to valid existing rights, there is hereby granted to Kootznoowoo, Incorporated—

(A) all right, title, and interest in and to the following described lands, rocks, pinnacles, islands, and islets above mean high tide:

Copper River Base and Meridian

Township 50 south, range 67 east, sections 25, 26, 35, 36;
Township 50 south, range 68 east, sections 30, 31, and that portion of section 32 south of Favorite Bay;

Township 51 south, range 67 east, sections 1, 2, 11, 12, and 13;

Township 51 south, range 68 east, that portion of section 5 south of Favorite Bay, sections 6, 7, and 8, west half of section 9, northwest quarter of section 16; and north half of section 17; subject to those subsurface interests granted to Sealaska, Incorporated, in paragraph 7 herein, and subject to any valid existing Federal administrative sites within the area.

(B) The right to develop hydroelectric resources on Admiralty Island within township 49 south, range 67 east, and township 50 south, range 67 east, Copper River Base and Meridian, subject to such conditions as the Secretary of Agriculture shall prescribe for the protection of water, fishery, wildlife, recreational, and scenic values of Admiralty Island.

(C) All rights, title, and interest in and to the rocks, pinnacles, islands, and islets, and all the land from the mean high tide mark to a point six hundred and sixty feet inland of all shorelands, excluding the shores of lakes, in and adjacent to the inland waters from Kootznahoo Inlet to the rangeline separating range 68 east and range 69 east, Copper River Base and Meridian, and including those parts of Mitchell, Kanalku, and Favorite Bay west of that line, subject to the following reserved rights of the United States:

(i) All timber rights are reserved subject to subsistence uses consistent with title VIII of this Act.

(ii) The right of public access and use within such area, subject to regulation by the Secretary of Agriculture to insure protection of the resources, and to protect the rights of quiet enjoyment of Kootznoowoo, Incorporated, granted by law, including subsistence uses consistent with title VIII of this Act.

(iii) The subsurface estate.

(iv) The development rights, except that the Secretary of Agriculture is authorized to permit construction, maintenance, and use of structures and facilities on said land which he determines to be consistent with the management of the Admiralty Island National Monument: *Provided*, That all structures and facilities so permitted shall be constructed of materials which blend and are compatible with the immediate and surrounding landscape.

(D) Any right or interest in land granted or reserved in paragraphs (3) (A, B, and C) shall not be subject to the provisions of the Wilderness Act.

43 USC 1601
note.

Kootznoowoo,
Inc.

P.L. 101-378 establishes
17.34 acres as the
Angoon Administrative
site for administration
of Tongass, a perpetual
Angoon-Killisnoo Road
easement, etc.

16 USC 1131
note.

(E) The Secretary of Agriculture shall consult and cooperate with Kootznoowoo, Incorporated, in the management of Mitchell, Kanalku, and Favorite Bays, and their immediate environs, and the Secretary is authorized to enter into such cooperative arrangements as may further the purposes of this Act and other provisions of law, concerning, but not limited to: permits for any structures and facilities, and the allocation of revenues therefrom; regulation of public uses; and management of the recreational and natural values of the area.

(4) Subject to valid existing rights, Kootznoowoo, Incorporated is granted all right, title, and interest to the surface estate of twenty acres to be selected in one reasonably compact contiguous block in Basket Bay, township 48 south, range 65 east, sections 29, 30, 31, 32, and 33. Upon selection, the Secretary of the Interior shall issue an appropriate instrument of conveyance, subject to any trail easement which the Secretary of Agriculture may designate.

(5) Subject to valid existing rights, there is hereby withdrawn for the herein provided selection by Kootznoowoo, Incorporated, the following lands described by Value Comparison Units (VCU's) in the Tongass National Forest Land Management Plan: VCU's 677, 678, 680, 681, 682, and that portion of VCU 679 outside the area of the Lancaster Cove-Kitkun Bay Timber Sale, as such sale has been delineated by the United States Forest Service.

(A) Within one year of this Act, Kootznoowoo, Incorporated, shall select the surface estate to twenty-one thousand four hundred and forty acres from the lands withdrawn. The selection of such lands will be in compact tracts described in aliquot parts in accordance with the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act land selection regulations of the Bureau of Land Management: *Provided*, That the Secretary of Agriculture may reserve for the benefit of the United States such easements as he deems necessary for access to and utilization of adjacent Federal or State lands. All timber within the confines of such easements shall be the property of Kootznoowoo, Incorporated; all rock, sand, and gravel within such easements shall be available to the Secretary of Agriculture without charge. The Secretary of the Interior shall issue appropriate documents of conveyance subject to and incorporating any easements designated by the Secretary of Agriculture. After conveyance to Kootznoowoo, Incorporated, of the twenty-one thousand four hundred and forty acres, with any designated easements, the herein provided withdrawal on the remaining public lands shall terminate.

(B) Subject to valid existing rights, the subsurface estate in the lands conveyed to Kootznoowoo, Incorporated, pursuant to paragraph (5) shall be granted to Sealaska, Incorporated.

(6) Nothing in this Act shall restrict the authority of the Secretary of Agriculture to exchange lands or interests therein with Kootznoowoo, Incorporated, pursuant to section 22(f) of the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act, or other land acquisition or exchange authority applicable to the National Forest System.

(7) Subject to valid existing rights, all right, title, and interest to the subsurface estate to the following described lands shall be granted to Sealaska, Incorporated:

Copper River Base and Meridian

Township 50 south, range 67 east, sections 25, 26, 35, and 36;
Township 50 south, range 68 east, sections 30, 31;

43 USC 1601
note.

P.L. 101-378 adds new subparagraphs (C) and (D) in Sec 506(a)(5) pursuant to ANILCA Sec. 1302(h) and available for exchange in relation to State selections and 1872 Mining Law, with subsurface estate granted to Sealaska Inc.

Sealaska, Inc.

Township 51 south, range 67 east, sections 1, 2, 11, 12, and 13;
and

Township 51 south, range 68 east, sections 6 and 7; comprising
one thousand six hundred acres, more or less.

(8)(A) The provisions of this section shall take effect upon ratifica-
tion by appropriate resolution of all its terms by Kootznoowoo,
Incorporated, or by its failure to take any action, within one hundred
and eighty days of enactment of this Act. In the event that Kootz-
noowoo, Incorporated, disapproves by appropriate resolution the
provisions of this section, this section shall be of no force and effect
and Kootznoowoo, Incorporated, shall be entitled to its previous land
selections on Admiralty Island pursuant to section 16 of the Alaska
Native Claims Settlement Act.

43 USC 1615.

(B) In the event that the provisions of this section are duly ratified
by Kootznoowoo, Incorporated, the lands, interests therein, and
rights conveyed by this section shall constitute full satisfaction of the
land entitlement rights of Kootznoowoo, Incorporated, and Sealaska,
Incorporated, and be deemed to have been conveyed pursuant to the
Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act, and shall supersede and void
all previous land selections of Kootznoowoo, Incorporated, pursuant
to section 16 of that Act, and any previous subsurface rights of
Sealaska, Incorporated on Admiralty Island not otherwise conveyed
by this Act.

43 USC 1601
note.

(C) Prior to the issuance of any instruments of conveyance, the
Secretary of Agriculture and Kootznoowoo, Incorporated, may, by
mutual agreement, modify the legal descriptions herein to correct
clerical errors.

(b) The Secretary is authorized and directed to convey to Goldbelt,
Incorporated, representing the Natives of Juneau with respect to
their land entitlements under section 14(h)(3) of the Alaska Natives
Claims Settlement Act, and to Sealaska, Incorporated, the lands and
interests in lands described in paragraphs A and C of the Exchange
Agreement, dated April 11, 1979, between those Corporations and the
Departments of Agriculture and of the Interior on the terms of and
conditions set forth in such agreement. Such conveyances shall not be
subject to the provisions of the National Environment Policy Act of
1969 (83 Stat. 852), as amended. The terms of the Exchange Agree-
ment, as filed with the Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs of
the House of Representatives, are hereby ratified as to the duties and
obligations of the United States and its agencies, Goldbelt, Incorpo-
rated, and Sealaska, Incorporated, as a matter of Federal law:
Provided, That the agreement may be modified or amended, upon the
written agreement of all parties thereto and appropriate notification
in writing to the appropriate committees of the Congress, without
further action by the Congress.

43 USC 1613.

42 USC 4321
note.

Notification of
Congress.

(c)(1) In satisfaction of the rights of the Natives of Sitka, as provided
in section 14(h)(3) of the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act, the
Secretary of the Interior, upon passage of this Act, shall convey
subject to valid existing rights and any easements designated by the
Secretary of Agriculture, the surface estate in the following described
lands on Admiralty Island to Shee Atika, Incorporated:

Shee Atika, Inc.
Sec. (c)(1) and (c)(2):
P.L. 99-394 confirms
conveyance of surface
estate to Shee Atika Inc
and subsurface to
Sealaska Inc subject
to easements and
restrictions by Secretary
of Interior.

Copper River Meridian, Alaska

Township 45 south, range 66 east,

Sections 21, south half of the southeast quarter; 22, east
half of the southwest quarter and southwest quarter of the
southwest quarter; 26, southwest quarter of the southwest

quarter; 27, south half of the south half, and northwest quarter of the southwest quarter, and the west half of the northwest quarter; 28, all; 29, south half and the south half of the north half; 33, east half and east half of the west half and the southwest quarter of the southwest quarter; 34, all, excluding Peanut Lake; 35, west half of the west half;
Township 46 south, range 66 east,

Sections 1, southeast quarter of the southeast quarter, and the south half of the northwest quarter, and the north half of the southeast quarter, and the southwest quarter excluding Lake Kathleen; 2, south half excluding Lake Kathleen, and the south half of the north half excluding Lake Kathleen, and the northwest quarter of the northwest quarter; 3, all excluding Peanut Lake and Lake Kathleen; 4, west half, and the west half of the east half, and southeast quarter of the southeast quarter, and the east half of the northeast quarter, excluding Peanut Lake; 10, east half, excluding Lake Kathleen; 11, northwest quarter of the northwest quarter, excluding Lake Kathleen, and the northeast quarter of the northeast quarter, and south half of the southwest quarter; 12, north half excluding Lake Kathleen; 14, west half and southwest quarter of the southeast quarter; 15, north half of the northeast quarter and southeast quarter of the northeast quarter; 22, east half of the northeast quarter and northeast quarter of the southeast quarter; 23, west half and southeast quarter, and south half of the northeast quarter and northwest quarter of the northeast quarter; 24, southwest quarter of the southwest quarter; 25, all; 26, northeast quarter; 35, east half and east half of the southwest quarter, and southeast quarter of the northwest quarter; 36, north half, and north half of the south half;

Township 47 south, range 66 east,

Sections 2, east half and the east half of the west half; 11, south half excluding Lake Florence, and northeast quarter, and east half of the northwest quarter; 12, south half excluding Lake Florence, and the south half of the northwest quarter; 13, south half and the south half of the northeast quarter, and the southeast quarter of the northwest quarter, and the north half of the northwest quarter, excluding Lake Florence, and the northeast quarter of the northeast quarter, excluding Lake Florence; 14, north half of the north half excluding Lake Florence, and the east half of the southeast quarter; 23, northeast quarter of the northeast quarter; 24, north half of the north half;

Township 45 south, range 67 east,

Sections 21, southeast quarter of the southeast quarter; 22, south half of the southwest quarter; 27, west half of the west half, and east half of the northwest quarter, and the northeast quarter of the southwest quarter; 28, southeast quarter, and the south half of the northeast quarter, and the northeast quarter of the northeast quarter; 31, south half of the southeast quarter; 32, south half; 33, southwest quarter, and the south half of the northwest quarter, and the northeast quarter, and the north half of the southeast quarter, and the southwest quarter of the southeast quarter; 34, northwest quarter of the northwest quarter;

Township 46 south, range 67 east,

Sections 4, northwest quarter, and the west half of the northeast quarter; 5, north half and the north half of the south half, and the southwest quarter of the southwest quarter; 6, south half, and the northeast quarter, and the southeast quarter of the northwest quarter; 7, north half of the north half; 8, northwest quarter of the northwest quarter; 11, south half of the south half, and the north half of the southeast quarter, and the southeast quarter of the northeast quarter; 12, north half of the south half, and the south half of the north half; 14, west half, and the northeast quarter, and the northwest quarter of the southeast quarter; 15, southeast quarter, and the southeast quarter of the northeast quarter, and the southeast quarter of the southwest quarter; 19, south half of the south half, and the north half of the southeast quarter, and the northeast quarter of the southwest quarter; 20, south half; 21, south half, and south half of the north half; 22, west half, and the west half of the east half, and the east half of the northeast quarter, and the northeast quarter of the southeast quarter; 23, west half, and the southeast quarter, and the southwest quarter of the northeast quarter; 26, north half of the northeast quarter; 27, north half of the northwest quarter, and the northwest quarter of the northeast quarter; 28, north half, and the north half of the southwest quarter, and the northwest quarter of the southeast quarter, and the southwest quarter of the southwest quarter; 29, all; 30, all; 31, northwest quarter and the west half of the northeast quarter;

Township 47 south, range 67 east,

Sections 1, northwest quarter, and the west half of the northeast quarter; 2, north half of the south half, and the south half of the north half; 3, south half, and the southeast quarter of the northeast quarter; 7, north half of the northeast quarter, and the northeast quarter of the northwest quarter, and the south half excluding Lake Florence, and the south half of the north half excluding Lake Florence; 8, all, excluding Lake Florence; 9, southwest quarter excluding Lake Florence, and the west half of the northwest quarter excluding Lake Florence, and the northeast quarter of the northwest quarter excluding Lake Florence, and the west half of the east half, and the east half of the northeast quarter, and the southeast quarter of the southeast quarter; 10, north half of the northwest quarter; 15, west half of the southwest quarter; 16, west half, and the west half of the northeast quarter, and the north half of the southeast quarter, and the southeast quarter of the southeast quarter; 17, all; 18, all.

Concurrently with this conveyance, the Secretary shall convey the subsurface estate in the above described lands to Sealaska, Incorporated. As a condition to such conveyances, Shee Atika, Incorporated, shall release any claim to land selections on Admiralty Island other than those lands described in this subsection, and Sealaska, Incorporated, shall release any claim to subsurface rights on Admiralty Island which correspond to the land selection rights released by Shee Atika.

(2) In the instrument of conveyance provided for in paragraph (1), the Secretary of the Interior shall reserve such easements as are described in section 17(b)(1) of the Alaska Native Claims Settlement

43 USC 1616. Act, as the Secretary of Agriculture may designate for public access to and utilization of the adjacent Federal lands.

Land selection costs, reimbursement. (d) In recognition of the considerable land selection costs incurred by Shee Atika, Incorporated, Goldbelt, Incorporated, and Kootznoowoo, Incorporated, in determining the validity of land withdrawals on Admiralty Island under section 14(h)(3) of the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act, and in identifying suitable lands for exchange outside Admiralty Island, the Secretary of the Interior shall reimburse those corporations for such reasonable and necessary land selection costs, including all costs for negotiating land exchanges, court costs, and reasonable attorney's and consultant's fees, incurred prior to the date of conveyance of land to such Native Corporations. Authorization for payment of such land selection costs shall begin in the fiscal year 1981, but shall include earlier costs. There is authorized to be appropriated an amount not to exceed \$2,000,000, for the purposes of this subsection.

43 USC 1613.

Appropriation authorization.

COOPERATIVE FISHERIES PLANNING

16 USC 539c. SEC. 507. (a) The Secretary of Agriculture is directed to implement a cooperative planning process for the enhancement of fisheries resources through fish hatchery and aquaculture facilities and activities in the Tongass National Forest. Participation in this process shall include but not be limited to the State of Alaska and appropriate nonprofit aquaculture corporations. The Secretary may contract with private, nonprofit associations for services in such planning.

16 USC 1600 note. (b) Each subsequent revision of National Forest management plans under the Forest and Rangeland Renewable Resources Planning Act of 1974 and the National Forest Management Act of 1976 shall contain a report on the status of the planning process undertaken under this paragraph, including, but not limited to, a description of current hatchery and aquaculture projects, an analysis of the success of these projects, and a prioritized list of projects anticipated for the duration of the management plan. The report shall be submitted by the Secretary to the Congress with recommendations for any legislative action which the Secretary may deem necessary to implement the proposed hatchery and aquaculture projects.

Report to Congress.

P.L. 101-626 adds: SEC. 508 that designates 12 areas as LUD II in perpetuity.

TITLE VI—NATIONAL WILD AND SCENIC RIVERS SYSTEM

PART A—WILD AND SCENIC RIVERS WITHIN NATIONAL PARK SYSTEM

ADDITIONS

SEC. 601. DESIGNATION.—Section 3(a) of the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1274(a)), is further amended by adding the following new paragraphs:

"(25) ALAGNAK, ALASKA.—That segment of the main stem and the major tributary to the Alagnak, the Nonvianuk River, within Katmai National Preserve; to be administered by the Secretary of the Interior.

"(26) ALATNA, ALASKA.—The main stem within the Gates of the Arctic National Park; to be administered by the Secretary of the Interior.

"(27) ANIAKCHAK, ALASKA.—That portion of the river, including its major tributaries, Hidden Creek, Mystery Creek, Albert Johnson Creek, and North Fork Aniakchak River, within the Aniakchak

National Monument and National Preserve; to be administered by the Secretary of the Interior.

"(28) CHARLEY, ALASKA.—The entire river, including its major tributaries, Copper Creek, Bonanza Creek, Hosford Creek, Derwent Creek, Flat-Orthmer Creek, Crescent Creek, and Moraine Creek, within the Yukon-Charley Rivers National Preserve; to be administered by the Secretary of the Interior.

"(29) CHILIKADROTNA, ALASKA.—That portion of the river within the Lake Clark National Park and Preserve; to be administered by the Secretary of the Interior.

"(30) JOHN, ALASKA.—That portion of the river within the Gates of the Arctic National Park; to be administered by the Secretary of the Interior.

"(31) KOBUK, ALASKA.—That portion within the Gates of the Arctic National Park and Preserve; to be administered by the Secretary of the Interior.

"(32) MULCHATNA, ALASKA.—That portion within the Lake Clark National Park and Preserve; to be administered by the Secretary of the Interior.

"(33) NOATAK, ALASKA.—The river from its source in the Gates of the Arctic National Park to its confluence with the Kelly River in the Noatak National Preserve; to be administered by the Secretary of the Interior.

"(34) NORTH FORK OF THE KOYUKUK, ALASKA.—That portion within the Gates of the Arctic National Park; to be administered by the Secretary of the Interior.

"(35) SALMON, ALASKA.—That portion within the Kobuk Valley National Park; to be administered by the Secretary of the Interior.

"(36) TINAYGUK, ALASKA.—That portion within the Gates of the Arctic National Park; to be administered by the Secretary of the Interior.

"(37) TLIKAKILA, ALASKA.—That portion within the Lake Clark National Park; to be administered by the Secretary of the Interior."

PART B—WILD AND SCENIC RIVERS WITHIN NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE SYSTEM

ADDITIONS

SEC. 602. DESIGNATION.—Section 3(a) of the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1274(a)), is further amended by adding the following new paragraphs:

"(38) ANDREAFSKY, ALASKA.—That portion from its source, including all headwaters, and the East Fork, within the boundary of the Yukon Delta National Wildlife Refuge; to be administered by the Secretary of the Interior.

"(39) IVISHAK, ALASKA.—That portion from its source, including all headwaters and an unnamed tributary from Porcupine Lake within the boundary of the Arctic National Wildlife Range; to be administered by the Secretary of the Interior.

"(40) NOWITNA, ALASKA.—That portion from the point where the river crosses the west limit of township 18 south, range 22 east, Kateel River meridian, to its confluence with the Yukon River within the boundaries of the Nowitna National Wildlife Refuge; to be administered by the Secretary of the Interior.

"(41) SELAWIK, ALASKA.—That portion from a fork of the headwaters in township 12 north, range 10 east, Kateel River meridian to the

confluence of the Kugarak River; within the Selawik National Wildlife Refuge to be administered by the Secretary of the Interior.

"(42) SHEENJEK, ALASKA.—The segment within the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge; to be administered by the Secretary of the Interior.

"(43) WIND, ALASKA.—That portion from its source, including all headwaters and one unnamed tributary in township 13 south, within the boundaries of the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge; to be administered by the Secretary of the Interior."

**PART C—ADDITION TO NATIONAL WILD AND SCENIC RIVERS SYSTEM
LOCATED OUTSIDE NATIONAL PARK SYSTEM UNITS AND NATIONAL
WILDLIFE REFUGES**

ADDITIONS

SEC. 603. DESIGNATION.—Section 3(a) of the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1274(a)) is further amended by adding the following paragraphs:

"(44) ALAGNAK, ALASKA.—Those segments or portions of the main stem and Nonvianuk tributary lying outside and westward of the Katmai National Park/Preserve and running to the west boundary of township 13 south, range 43 west; to be administered by the Secretary of the Interior.

"(45) BEAVER CREEK, ALASKA.—The segment of the main stem from the vicinity of the confluence of the Bear and Champion Creeks downstream to its exit from the northeast corner of township 12 north, range 6 east, Fairbanks meridian within the White Mountains National Recreation Area, and the Yukon Flats National Wildlife Refuge, to be administered by the Secretary of the Interior.

"(46) BIRCH CREEK, ALASKA.—The segment of the main stem from the south side of Steese Highway in township 7 north, range 10 east, Fairbanks meridian, downstream to the south side of the Steese Highway in township 10 north, range 16 east; to be administered by the Secretary of the Interior.

"(47) DELTA, ALASKA.—The segment from and including all of the Tangle Lakes to a point one-half mile north of Black Rapids; to be administered by the Secretary of the Interior.

"(48) FORTY MILE, ALASKA.—The main stem within the State of Alaska; O'Brien Creek; South Fork; Napoleon Creek, Franklin Creek, Uhler Creek, Walker Fork downstream from the confluence of Liberty Creek; Wade Creek; Mosquito Fork downstream from the vicinity of Kechumstuk; West Fork Dennison Fork downstream from the confluence of Logging Cabin Creek; Dennison Fork downstream from the confluence of West Fork Dennison Fork; Logging Cabin Creek; North Fork; Hutchison Creek; Champion Creek; the Middle Fork downstream from the confluence of Joseph Creek; and Joseph Creek; to be administered by the Secretary of the Interior.

"(49) GULKANA, ALASKA.—The main stem from the outlet of Paxson Lake in township 12 north, range 2 west, Copper River meridian to the confluence with Sourdough Creek; the south branch of the west fork from the outlet of an unnamed lake in sections 10 and 15, township 10 north, range 7 west, Copper River meridian to the confluence with the west fork; the north branch from the outlet of two unnamed lakes, one in sections 24 and 25, the second in sections 9 and 10, township 11 north, range 8 west, Copper River meridian to the confluence with the west fork; the west fork from its confluence with the north and south branches downstream to its confluence with the main stem; the middle fork from the outlet of Dickey Lake in

P.L. 111-11 includes
six W&SRs in the
BLM National Landscape
Conservation System
but retains ANILCA
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township 13 north, range 5 west, Copper River meridian to the confluence with the main stem; to be classified as a wild river area and to be administered by the Secretary of the Interior.

- “(50) UNALAKLEET, ALASKA.—The segment of the main stem from the headwaters in township 12 south, range 3 west, Kateel River meridian extending downstream approximately 65 miles to the western boundary of township 18 south, range 8 west; to be administered by the Secretary of the Interior.”

DESIGNATION FOR STUDY

SEC. 604. Section 5(a) of the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1271), is further amended as follows: 16 USC 1276.

(a) After paragraph (76) insert the following new paragraphs: *Ante*, p. 68.

“(77) Colville, Alaska.

“(78) Etivluk-Nigu, Alaska.

“(79) Utukok, Alaska.

“(80) Kanektok, Alaska.

“(81) Kisaralik, Alaska.

“(82) Melozitna, Alaska.

“(83) Sheenjok (lower segment), Alaska.

“(84) Situk, Alaska.

“(85) Porcupine, Alaska.

“(86) Yukon (Ramparts section), Alaska.

“(87) Squirrel, Alaska.

“(88) Koyuk, Alaska.”

(b) Section 5(b) of such Act is amended by adding the following paragraphs:

“(4) The studies of the rivers in paragraphs (77) through (88) shall be completed and reports transmitted thereon not later than three full fiscal years from date of enactment of this paragraph. For the rivers listed in paragraphs (77), (78), and (79) the studies prepared and transmitted to the Congress pursuant to section 105(c) of the Naval Petroleum Reserves Production Act of 1976 (Public Law 94-258) shall satisfy the requirements of this section. 42 USC 6505.

“(5) Studies of rivers listed in paragraphs (80) and (81) shall be completed, and reports submitted within and not later than the time when the Bristol Bay Cooperative Region Plan is submitted to Congress in accordance with section 1204 of the Alaska National Interest Lands Conservation Act.”

River studies,
submittal to
Congress.

ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS

SEC. 605. (a) Rivers in paragraphs (25) through (37) in units of the National Park System, and (38) through (43) in units of the National Wildlife Refuge System are hereby classified and designated and shall be administered as wild rivers pursuant to the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act. 16 USC 1274 note.

Ante, p. 2412.
Ante, p. 2413.

(b) The Alagnak, Beaver Creek, Birch Creek, Gulkana, and Unalakleet components as well as the segment of the Delta component from the lower lakes area to a point opposite milepost 212 on the Richardson Highway; the Mosquito Fork downstream from the vicinity of Kechemstuk to Ingle Creek, North Fork, Champion Creek, Middle Fork downstream from the confluence of Joseph Creek, and Joseph Creek segments of the Fortymile component, are hereby classified and designated and shall be administered as wild river areas pursuant to the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act. The classification as wild river areas of certain segments of the Fortymile by this subsection shall 16 USC 1271 note.

not preclude such access across those river segments as the Secretary determines to be necessary to permit commercial development in an environmentally sound manner, of asbestos deposits in the North Fork drainage.

(c) The following segments of the Fortymile River component are hereby classified and shall be administered as scenic river areas pursuant to such Act: the main stem within the State of Alaska; O'Brien Creek, South Fork; Napoleon Creek; Franklin Creek; Uhler Creek; Walker Fork downstream from the confluence of Liberty Creek; West Fork Dennison Fork downstream from the confluence of Logging Cabin Creek; Dennison Fork downstream from the confluence of West Fork Dennison Fork; Logging Cabin Creek; and Hutchinson Creek. The Wade Creek unit of the Fortymile component and the segment of the Delta River from opposite milepost 212 on the Richardson Highway to a point one-half mile north of Black Rapids are classified and shall be administered as recreational river areas pursuant to such Act.

16 USC 1274.

Ante, p. 2412,
2413.

Cooperative
agreements.

(d) The Secretary of the Interior shall take such action as is provided for under section 3(b) of the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act to establish detailed boundaries and formulate detailed development and management plans within three years after the date of enactment of this title with respect to the Alagnak, Beaver Creek, Birch Creek, the Delta, Fortymile, Gulkana, and Unalakleet components. With respect to the river components designated in parts A and B of this title, the Secretary shall take such action under said section 3(b) at the same time as, and in coordination with, the submission of the applicable conservation and management plans for the conservation system units in which such components are located.

(e) The Secretary may seek cooperative agreements with the owners of non-public lands adjoining the wild and scenic rivers established by this title to assure that the purpose of designating such rivers as wild and scenic rivers is served to the greatest extent feasible.

OTHER AMENDMENTS TO THE WILD AND SCENIC RIVERS ACT

SEC. 606. (a) The Wild and Scenic Rivers Act, as amended, is further amended by inserting the following after section 14 and redesignating sections 15 and 16 as sections 16 and 17, respectively:

16 USC 1286,
1287.
16 USC 1285b.
16 USC 1274,
1280.
Ante, p. 2413.

"Sec. 15. Notwithstanding any other provision to the contrary in sections 3 and 9 of this Act, with respect to components of the National Wild and Scenic Rivers System in Alaska designated by paragraphs (38) through (50) of section 3(a) of this Act—

"(1) the boundary of each such river shall include an average of not more than six hundred and forty acres per mile on both sides of the river. Such boundary shall not include any lands owned by the State or a political subdivision of the State nor shall such boundary extend around any private lands adjoining the river in such manner as to surround or effectively surround such private lands; and

"(2) the withdrawal made by paragraph (iii) of section 9(a) shall apply to the minerals in Federal lands which constitute the bed or bank or are situated within one-half mile of the bank of any river designated a wild river by the Alaska National Interest Lands Conservation Act."

Ante, p. 2371.
16 USC 1280.

(b) Section 9(b) of such Act is amended by adding the following at the end thereof: "Notwithstanding the foregoing provisions of this subsection or any other provision of this Act, all public lands which

constitute the bed or bank, or are within an area extending two miles from the bank of the river channel on both sides of the river segments referred to in paragraphs (77) through (88) of section 5(a), are hereby withdrawn, subject to valid existing rights, from all forms of appropriation under the mining laws and from operation of the mineral leasing laws including, in both cases, amendments thereto, during the periods specified in section 7(b) of this Act.”

Ante, p. 2415.

(c) Section 8(b) of such Act is amended by adding the following at the end thereof: “Notwithstanding the foregoing provisions of this subsection or any other provision of this Act, subject only to valid existing rights, including valid Native selection rights under the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act, all public lands which constitute the bed or bank, or are within an area extending two miles from the bank of the river channel on both sides of the river segments referred to in paragraphs (77) through (88) of section 5(a) are hereby withdrawn from entry, sale, State selection or other disposition under the public land laws of the United States for the periods specified in section 7(b) of this Act.”

16 USC 1278.

16 USC 1279.

43 USC 1601 note.

TITLE VII—NATIONAL WILDERNESS PRESERVATION SYSTEM

DESIGNATION OF WILDERNESS WITHIN NATIONAL PARK SYSTEM

SEC. 701. In accordance with subsection 3(c) of the Wilderness Act (78 Stat. 892), the public lands within the boundaries depicted as “Proposed Wilderness” on the maps referred to in sections 201 and 202 of this Act are hereby designated as wilderness, with the nomenclature and approximate acreage as indicated below:

16 USC 1132.

(1) Denali Wilderness of approximately one million nine hundred thousand acres;

16 USC 1132 note.

P.L. 110-229 provides relinquished land be added to Denali Wilderness

(2) Gates of the Arctic Wilderness of approximately ~~seven million and fifty-two thousand acres;~~ 7,034,832 acres;

16 USC 1132 note.

P.L. 104-333 adds and deletes acres in Gates

(3) Glacier Bay Wilderness of approximately two million seven hundred and seventy thousand acres;

16 USC 1132 note.

P.L. 105-317 authorizes an exchange and boundary changes in Glacier Bay

(4) Katmai Wilderness of approximately three million four hundred and seventy-three thousand acres;

16 USC 1132 note.

(5) Kobuk Valley Wilderness of approximately one hundred and ninety thousand acres;

16 USC 1132 note.

(6) Lake Clark Wilderness of approximately two million four hundred and seventy thousand acres;

16 USC 1132 note.

(7) Noatak Wilderness of approximately ~~five million eight hundred thousand acres;~~ and 5,217,168 acres; and

16 USC 1132 note.

P.L. 104-333 increases

(8) Wrangell-Saint Elias Wilderness of approximately eight million seven hundred thousand acres.

16 USC 1132 note.

DESIGNATION OF WILDERNESS WITHIN NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE SYSTEM

SEC. 702. In accordance with subsection 3(c) of the Wilderness Act (78 Stat. 892), the public lands within the boundaries depicted as “Proposed Wilderness” on the maps referred to in sections 302 and 303 of this Act or the maps specified below are hereby designated as wilderness, with the nomenclature and approximate acreage as indicated below:

16 USC 1132.

(1) Aleutian Islands Wilderness of approximately one million three hundred thousand acres as generally depicted on a map entitled “Aleutian Islands Wilderness”, dated October 1978;

16 USC 1132 note.

16 USC 1132
note.

(2) Andreafsky Wilderness of approximately one million three hundred thousand acres as generally depicted on a map entitled "Yukon Delta National Wildlife Refuge", dated April 1980;

16 USC 1132
note.

(3) ~~Arctic Wildlife Refuge~~ Wilderness of approximately eight million acres as generally depicted on a map entitled "Arctic National Wildlife Refuge", dated August 1980;

P.L. 104-167 changes
name to
"Mollie
Beattie Wilderness"

16 USC 1132
note.

(4) Becharof Wilderness of approximately four hundred thousand acres as generally depicted on a map entitled "Becharof National Wildlife Refuge", dated July 1980;

16 USC 1132
note.

(5) Innoko Wilderness of approximately one million two hundred and forty thousand acres as generally depicted on a map entitled "Innoko National Wildlife Refuge", dated October 1978;

16 USC 1132
note.

(6) Izembek Wilderness of approximately three hundred thousand acres as generally depicted on a map entitled "Izembek Wilderness", dated October 1978;

P.L. 105-277 confirms that
private land within the Wilderness
are not wilderness

16 USC 1132
note.

(7) Kenai Wilderness of approximately one million three hundred and fifty thousand acres as generally depicted on a map entitled "Kenai National Wildlife Refuge", dated October 1978;

P.L. 104-399 adds 592 acres

16 USC 1132
note.

(8) Koyukuk Wilderness of approximately four hundred thousand acres as generally depicted on a map entitled "Koyukuk National Wildlife Refuge", dated July 1980;

16 USC 1132
note.

(9) Nunivak Wilderness of approximately six hundred thousand acres as generally depicted on a map entitled "Yukon Delta National Wildlife Refuge", dated July 1980;

16 USC 1132
note.

(10) Togiak Wilderness of approximately two million two hundred and seventy thousand acres as generally depicted on a map entitled "Togiak National Wildlife Refuge", dated July 1980;

16 USC 1132
note.

(11) Semidi Wilderness of approximately two hundred and fifty thousand acres as generally depicted on a map entitled "Semidi Wilderness", dated October 1978;

16 USC 1132
note.

(12) Selawik Wilderness of approximately two hundred and forty thousand acres as generally depicted on a map entitled "Selawik Wildlife Refuge", dated July 1980; and

16 USC 1132
note.

(13) Unimak Wilderness of approximately nine hundred and ten thousand acres, as generally depicted on a map entitled "Unimak Wilderness", dated October 1978.

DESIGNATION OF WILDERNESS WITHIN NATIONAL FOREST SYSTEM

16 USC 1132.

SEC. 703. (a) In accordance with subsection 3(c), of the Wilderness Act (78 Stat. 892), the public lands within the Tongass National Forest within the boundaries depicted as "Proposed Wilderness" on the maps referred to in the following paragraphs are hereby designated as wilderness, with the nomenclature and approximate acreage as indicated below:

P.L. 101-378 renames
as:

16 USC 1132
note.

(1) ~~Admiralty Island National Monument~~ ^{Kootznawoo} Wilderness of approximately nine hundred thousand acres, as generally depicted on a map entitled "Admiralty Island Wilderness", dated July 1980;

16 USC 1132
note.

(2) Coronation Island Wilderness of approximately nineteen thousand one hundred and twenty-two acres, as generally depicted on a map entitled "Coronation-Warren-Maurille Islands Wilderness", dated October 1978;

16 USC 1132
note.

(3) Endicott River Wilderness of approximately ninety-four thousand acres, as generally depicted on a map entitled "Endicott River Wilderness", dated October 1978;

- (4) Maurille Islands Wilderness of approximately four thousand four hundred and twenty-four acres, as generally depicted on a map entitled "Coronation-Warren-Maurille Islands Wilderness", dated October 1978; 16 USC 1132 note.
- (5) Misty Fjords National Monument Wilderness of approximately two million one hundred and thirty-six thousand acres, as generally depicted on a map entitled "Misty Fjords Wilderness", dated July 1980; 16 USC 1132 note.
- (6) Petersburg Creek-Duncan Salt Chuck Wilderness of approximately fifty thousand acres, as generally depicted on a map entitled "Petersburg Creek-Duncan Salt Chuck Wilderness", dated October 1978; 16 USC 1132 note.
- (7) Russell Fjord Wilderness of approximately three hundred and seven thousand acres, as generally depicted on a map entitled "Russell Fjord Wilderness", dated July 1980; 16 USC 1132 note.
- (8) South Baranof Wilderness of approximately three hundred and fourteen thousand acres, as generally depicted on a map entitled "South Baranof Wilderness", dated October 1978; 16 USC 1132 note.
- (9) South Prince of Wales Wilderness of approximately ninety-seven thousand acres, as generally depicted on a map entitled "South Prince of Wales Wilderness", dated October 1978; 16 USC 1132 note.
- (10) Stikine-LeConte Wilderness of approximately four hundred and forty-three thousand acres, as generally depicted on a map entitled "Stikine-LeConte Wilderness", dated October 1978; 16 USC 1132 note.
- (11) Tebenkof Bay Wilderness of approximately sixty-five thousand acres, as generally depicted on a map entitled "Tebenkof Bay Wilderness", dated October 1978; 16 USC 1132 note.
- (12) Tracy Arm-Fords Terror Wilderness of approximately six hundred and fifty-six thousand acres, as generally depicted on a map entitled "Tracy Arm-Fords Terror Wilderness", dated January 1979; 16 USC 1132 note.
- (13) Warren Island Wilderness of approximately eleven thousand three hundred and fifty-three acres, as generally depicted on a map entitled "Coronation-Warren-Maurelle Islands Wilderness", dated October 1978; and 16 USC 1132 note.
- (14) West Chichagof-Yakobi Wilderness of approximately two hundred and sixty-five thousand acres, as generally depicted on a map entitled "West Chichagof-Yakobi Wilderness", dated October 1978. 16 USC 1132 note.
- (b) Existing mechanized portage equipment located at the head of Semour Canal on Admiralty Island may continue to be used. *PL 101-626 adds 6 additional wilderness areas.*

DESIGNATION OF WILDERNESS STUDY AREA WITHIN NATIONAL FOREST SYSTEM

SEC. 704. In furtherance of the purposes of the Wilderness Act the Secretary of Agriculture shall review the public lands depicted as "Wilderness Study" on the following described map and within three years report to the President and the Congress in accordance with section 3 (c) and (d) of the Wilderness Act, his recommendations as to the suitability or nonsuitability of all areas within such wilderness study boundaries for preservation of wilderness: Nellie Juan-College Fiord, Chugach National Forest as generally depicted on a map entitled "Nellie Juan-College Fiord Study Area", dated October 1978. 16 USC 1132 note. 16 USC 1132.

NATIONAL FOREST TIMBER UTILIZATION PROGRAM

P.L. 101-626 deletes subsection (a) and replaces it with new (a) language

31 USC 1401 note.

Forest materials purchasers, loan program.

Appropriation authorization.

Study, transmittal to Congress.

P.L. 101-626 revises:

16 USC 1604.

adds: new section (f); and (f);

Transmittal to congressional committees. 16 USC 539e.

and deletes:

P.L. 103-437 corrects House Committee name.

Review and report to Congress.

SEC. 705. (a) ~~The Congress authorizes and directs that the Secretary of the Treasury shall make available to the Secretary of Agriculture the sum of at least \$40,000,000 annually or as much as the Secretary of Agriculture finds is necessary to maintain the timber supply from the Tongass National Forest to dependent industry at a rate of four billion five hundred million foot board measure per decade. Such sums will be drawn from receipts from oil, gas, timber, coal, and other natural resources collected by the Secretary of Agriculture and the Secretary of the Interior notwithstanding any other law providing for the distribution of such receipts: Provided, That such funds shall not be subject to deferral or rescission under the Budget Impoundment and Control Act of 1974, and such funds shall not be subject to annual appropriation.~~

(b)(1) The Secretary is authorized and directed to establish a special program of insured or guaranteed loans to purchasers of national forest materials in Alaska to assist such purchasers in the acquisition of equipment and the implementation of new technologies which lead to the utilization of wood products which might otherwise not be utilized. The Secretary is authorized to promulgate such regulations as he deems appropriate to define eligibility requirements for the participation in the loan program and the terms and conditions applicable to loans made under the program. Except as otherwise provided in this section or regulations promulgated specifically for this loan program, such program shall be carried out in a manner which is consistent with other authorities available to the Secretary.

(2) To carry out the special loan program established by this section, there are hereby authorized beginning after the fiscal year 1980 to be appropriated \$5,000,000 from National Forest Fund receipts, to be deposited in a special fund in the Treasury of the United States to remain available until expended. Repayments of principal and interest and other recoveries on loans authorized by this section shall be credited to this fund and shall remain available until expended in order to carry out the purposes of this section.

(c) Within three years after the date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary shall prepare and transmit to the Senate and House of Representatives a study of opportunities (consistent with the laws and regulations applicable to the management of the National Forest System) to increase timber yields on national forest lands in Alaska.

(d) ~~The provisions of this section shall apply notwithstanding the provisions of section 6(k) of the National Forest Management Act of 1976 (90 Stat. 2949) shall apply to the Tongass National Forest except that the Secretary need not identify or consider economic factors in the identification of lands not suited for timber production.~~

SEC. 706. (a) The Secretary is directed to monitor timber supply and demand in southeastern Alaska and report annually thereon to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources of the Senate and the Committee on ~~Interior and Insular Affairs~~ ^{NATURAL RESOURCES} of the House of Representatives. ~~If, at any time after the date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary finds that the available land base in the Tongass National Forest is inadequate to maintain the timber supply from the Tongass National Forest to dependent industry at the rate of four billion five hundred million foot board measure per decade, he shall include such information in his report.~~

(b) Within five years from the date of enactment of this Act and every two years thereafter, the Secretary shall review and report to Congress on the status of the Tongass National Forest in southeast-

P.L. 101-626 also amends Sec 705 by requiring Sec. of Agriculture to consult with State, National Marine Fisheries Service, affected land owners, in preparing a report to Congress regarding riparian management practices within one year.

ern Alaska. This report shall include, but not be limited to, (1) the timber harvest levels in the forest since the enactment of this Act; (2) the impact of wilderness designation on the timber, fishing, and tourism industry in southeast Alaska; (3) measures instituted by the Forest Service to protect fish and wildlife in the forest; ~~and~~ (4) the status of the small business set aside program in the Tongass Forest;

P.L. 101-626:
adds subsection (5)
in 706(b):

(c) The study required by this section shall be conducted in cooperation and consultation with the State, affected Native Corporations, the southeast Alaska timber industry, the Southeast Alaska Conservation Council, and the Alaska Land Use Council.

and (5) the impact of timber management on subsistence resources, wildlife and fisheries habitats.

"the southeast Alaska commercial fishing industry"

← inserts in 706(c)

ADMINISTRATION

SEC. 707. Except as otherwise expressly provided for in this Act wilderness designated by this Act shall be administered in accordance with applicable provisions of the Wilderness Act governing areas designated by that Act as wilderness, except that any reference in such provisions to the effective date of the Wilderness Act shall be deemed to be a reference to the effective date of this Act, and any reference to the Secretary of Agriculture for areas designated in sections 701 and 702 shall, as applicable, be deemed to be a reference to the Secretary of the Interior.

16 USC 1132
note.

RARE II RELEASE

SEC. 708. (a) The Congress finds that—

(1) the Department of Agriculture has completed the second roadless area review and evaluation program (RARE II); and

(2) the Congress has made its own review and examination of national forest system roadless areas in Alaska and of the environmental impacts associated with alternative allocations of such areas.

(b) On the basis of such review, the Congress hereby determines and directs that—

(1) without passing on the question of the legal and factual sufficiency of the RARE II Final Environmental Statement (dated January 1979) with respect to national forest lands in States other than Alaska, such statement shall not be subject to judicial review with respect to National Forest System lands in the State of Alaska;

(2) with respect to the National Forest lands in the State of Alaska which were reviewed by the Department of Agriculture in the second roadless area review and evaluation (RARE II), except those lands remaining in further planning upon enactment of this Act or the area listed in section 704 of this Act, that review and evaluation shall be deemed for the purposes of the initial land management plans required for such lands by the Forest and Rangeland Renewable Resources Planning Act of 1974 as amended by the National Forest Management Act of 1976 to be an adequate consideration of the suitability of such lands for inclusion in the National Wilderness Preservation System and the Department of Agriculture shall not be required to review the wilderness option prior to the revision of the initial plans and in no case prior to the date established by law for completion of the initial planning cycle;

16 USC 1600
note.
16 USC 1600
note.

(3) areas reviewed in such Final Environmental Statement and not designated as wilderness or for study by this Act or remaining in further planning upon enactment of this Act need not be

managed for the purpose of protecting their suitability for wilderness designation pending revision of the initial plans; and

(4) unless expressly authorized by Congress the Department of Agriculture shall not conduct any further statewide roadless area review and evaluation of National Forest System lands in the State of Alaska for the purpose of determining their suitability for inclusion in the National Wilderness Preservation System.

TITLE VIII—SUBSISTENCE MANAGEMENT AND USE

FINDINGS

16 USC 3111.

SEC. 801. The Congress finds and declares that—

(1) the continuation of the opportunity for subsistence uses by rural residents of Alaska, including both Natives and non-Natives, on the public lands and by Alaska Natives on Native lands is essential to Native physical, economic, traditional, and cultural existence and to non-Native physical, economic, traditional, and social existence;

(2) the situation in Alaska is unique in that, in most cases, no practical alternative means are available to replace the food supplies and other items gathered from fish and wildlife which supply rural residents dependent on subsistence uses;

(3) continuation of the opportunity for subsistence uses of resources on public and other lands in Alaska is threatened by the increasing population of Alaska, with resultant pressure on subsistence resources, by sudden decline in the populations of some wildlife species which are crucial subsistence resources, by increased accessibility of remote areas containing subsistence resources, and by taking of fish and wildlife in a manner inconsistent with recognized principles of fish and wildlife management;

43 USC 1601
note.

(4) in order to fulfill the policies and purposes of the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act and as a matter of equity, it is necessary for the Congress to invoke its constitutional authority over Native affairs and its constitutional authority under the property clause and the commerce clause to protect and provide the opportunity for continued subsistence uses on the public lands by Native and non-Native rural residents; and

(5) the national interest in the proper regulation, protection, and conservation of fish and wildlife on the public lands in Alaska and the continuation of the opportunity for a subsistence way of life by residents of rural Alaska require that an administrative structure be established for the purpose of enabling rural residents who have personal knowledge of local conditions and requirements to have a meaningful role in the management of fish and wildlife and of subsistence uses on the public lands in Alaska.

POLICY

16 USC 3112.

SEC. 802. It is hereby declared to be the policy of Congress that—

(1) consistent with sound management principles, and the conservation of healthy populations of fish and wildlife, the utilization of the public lands in Alaska is to cause the least adverse impact possible on rural residents who depend upon subsistence uses of the resources of such lands; consistent with management of fish and wildlife in accordance with recognized

scientific principles and the purposes for each unit established, designated, or expanded by or pursuant to titles II through VII of this Act, the purpose of this title is to provide the opportunity for rural residents engaged in a subsistence way of life to do so;

Ante, p. 2377.

(2) nonwasteful subsistence uses of fish and wildlife and other renewable resources shall be the priority consumptive uses of all such resources on the public lands of Alaska when it is necessary to restrict taking in order to assure the continued viability of a fish or wildlife population or the continuation of subsistence uses of such population, the taking of such population for nonwasteful subsistence uses shall be given preference on the public lands over other consumptive uses; and

(3) except as otherwise provided by this Act or other Federal laws, Federal land managing agencies, in managing subsistence activities on the public lands and in protecting the continued viability of all wild renewable resources in Alaska, shall cooperate with adjacent landowners and land managers, including Native Corporations, appropriate State and Federal agencies, and other nations.

DEFINITIONS

SEC. 803. As used in this Act, the term "subsistence uses" means the customary and traditional uses by rural Alaska residents of wild, renewable resources for direct personal or family consumption as food, shelter, fuel, clothing, tools, or transportation; for the making and selling of handicraft articles out of nonedible byproducts of fish and wildlife resources taken for personal or family consumption; for barter, or sharing for personal or family consumption; and for customary trade. For the purposes of this section, the term—

16 USC 3113.

(1) "family" means all persons related by blood, marriage, or adoption, or any person living within the household on a permanent basis; and

(2) "barter" means the exchange of fish or wildlife or their parts, taken for subsistence uses—

(A) for other fish or game or their parts; or

(B) for other food or for nonedible items other than money if the exchange is of a limited and noncommercial nature.

PREFERENCE FOR SUBSISTENCE USES

SEC. 804. Except as otherwise provided in this Act and other Federal laws, the taking on public lands of fish and wildlife for nonwasteful subsistence uses shall be accorded priority over the taking on such lands of fish and wildlife for other purposes. Whenever it is necessary to restrict the taking of populations of fish and wildlife on such lands for subsistence uses in order to protect the continued viability of such populations, or to continue such uses, such priority shall be implemented through appropriate limitations based on the application of the following criteria:

16 USC 3114.

Priority criteria.

(1) customary and direct dependence upon the populations as the mainstay of livelihood;

(2) local residency; and

(3) the availability of alternative resources.

LOCAL AND REGIONAL PARTICIPATION

16 USC 8115.

SEC. 805. (a) Except as otherwise provided in subsection (d) of this section, one year after the date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary in consultation with the State shall establish—

(1) at least six Alaska subsistence resource regions which, taken together, include all public lands. The number and boundaries of the regions shall be sufficient to assure that regional differences in subsistence uses are adequately accommodated;

(2) such local advisory committees within each region as he finds necessary at such time as he may determine, after notice and hearing, that the existing State fish and game advisory committees do not adequately perform the functions of the local committee system set forth in paragraph (3)(D)(iv) of this subsection; and

(3) a regional advisory council in each subsistence resource region.

Regional advisory council, authority.

Each regional advisory council shall be composed of residents of the region and shall have the following authority:

(A) the review and evaluation of proposals for regulations, policies, management plans, and other matters relating to subsistence uses of fish and wildlife within the region;

(B) the provision of a forum for the expression of opinions and recommendations by persons interested in any matter related to the subsistence uses of fish and wildlife within the region;

(C) the encouragement of local and regional participation pursuant to the provisions of this title in the decisionmaking process affecting the taking of fish and wildlife on the public lands within the region for subsistence uses;

Annual report to Secretary.

(D) the preparation of an annual report to the Secretary which shall contain—

(i) an identification of current and anticipated subsistence uses of fish and wildlife populations within the region;

(ii) an evaluation of current and anticipated subsistence needs for fish and wildlife populations within the region;

(iii) a recommended strategy for the management of fish and wildlife populations within the region to accommodate such subsistence uses and needs; and

(iv) recommendations concerning policies, standards, guidelines, and regulations to implement the strategy. The State fish and game advisory committees or such local advisory committees as the Secretary may establish pursuant to paragraph (2) of this subsection may provide advice to, and assist, the regional advisory councils in carrying out the functions set forth in this paragraph.

(b) The Secretary shall assign adequate qualified staff to the regional advisory councils and make timely distribution of all available relevant technical and scientific support data to the regional advisory councils and the State fish and game advisory committees or such local advisory committees as the Secretary may establish pursuant to paragraph (2) of subsection (a).

(c) The Secretary, in performing his monitoring responsibility pursuant to section 806 and in the exercise of his closure and other administrative authority over the public lands, shall consider the report and recommendations of the regional advisory councils concerning the taking of fish and wildlife on the public lands within their respective regions for subsistence uses. The Secretary may choose not to follow any recommendation which he determines is not supported

by substantial evidence, violates recognized principles of fish and wildlife conservation, or would be detrimental to the satisfaction of subsistence needs. If a recommendation is not adopted by the Secretary, he shall set forth the factual basis and the reasons for his decision.

(d) The Secretary shall not implement subsections (a), (b), and (c) of this section if within one year from the date of enactment of this Act, the State enacts and implements laws of general applicability which are consistent with, and which provide for the definition, preference, and participation specified in, sections 803, 804, and 805, such laws, unless and until repealed, shall supersede such sections insofar as such sections govern State responsibility pursuant to this title for the taking of fish and wildlife on the public lands for subsistence uses. Laws establishing a system of local advisory committees and regional advisory councils consistent with section 805 shall provide that the State rulemaking authority shall consider the advice and recommendations of the regional councils concerning the taking of fish and wildlife populations on public lands within their respective regions for subsistence uses. The regional councils may present recommendations, and the evidence upon which such recommendations are based, to the State rulemaking authority during the course of the administrative proceedings of such authority. The State rulemaking authority may choose not to follow any recommendation which it determines is not supported by substantial evidence presented during the course of its administrative proceedings, violates recognized principles of fish and wildlife conservation or would be detrimental to the satisfaction of rural subsistence needs. If a recommendation is not adopted by the State rulemaking authority, such authority shall set forth the factual basis and the reasons for its decision.

(e)(1) The Secretary shall reimburse the State, from funds appropriated to the Department of the Interior for such purposes, for reasonable costs relating to the establishment and operation of the regional advisory councils established by the State in accordance with subsection (d) and the operation of the State fish and game advisory committees so long as such committees are not superseded by the Secretary pursuant to paragraph (2) of subsection (a). Such reimbursement may not exceed 50 per centum of such costs in any fiscal year. Such costs shall be verified in a statement which the Secretary determines to be adequate and accurate. Sums paid under this subsection shall be in addition to any grants, payments, or other sums to which the State is entitled from appropriations to the Department of the Interior.

(2) Total payments to the State under this subsection shall not exceed the sum of \$5,000,000 in any one fiscal year. The Secretary shall advise the Congress at least once in every five years as to whether or not the maximum payments specified in this subsection are adequate to ensure the effectiveness of the program established by the State to provide the preference for subsistence uses of fish and wildlife set forth in section 804.

FEDERAL MONITORING

SEC. 806. The Secretary shall monitor the provisions by the State of the subsistence preference set forth in section 804 and shall advise the State and the Committee on ~~Interior and Insular Affairs~~ and on Merchant Marine and Fisheries of the House of Representatives and the Committees on Energy and Natural Resources and Environment and Public Works of the Senate annually and at such other times as

Implementation.

P.L. 105-83 extends time for State to act; State does not act so amendments repealed

P.L. 105-277 extends time for State to act; State does not act so amendments repealed

Reimbursement to States.

Report to Congress.

Report to congressional committees.
16 USC 3116.

P.L. 103-437 corrects House Committee name to "Natural Resources"

he deems necessary of his views on the effectiveness of the implementation of this title including the State's provision of such preference, any exercise of his closure or other administrative authority to protect subsistence resources or uses, the views of the State, and any recommendations he may have.

JUDICIAL ENFORCEMENT

Civil actions.
16 USC 3117.

SEC. 807. (a) Local residents and other persons and organizations aggrieved by a failure of the State or the Federal Government to provide for the priority for subsistence uses set forth in section 804 (or with respect to the State as set forth in a State law of general applicability if the State has fulfilled the requirements of section 805(d)) may, upon exhaustion of any State or Federal (as appropriate) administrative remedies which may be available, file a civil action in the United States District Court for the District of Alaska to require such actions to be taken as are necessary to provide for the priority. In a civil action filed against the State, the Secretary may be joined as a party to such action. The court may grant preliminary injunctive relief in any civil action if the granting of such relief is appropriate under the facts upon which the action is based. No order granting preliminary relief shall be issued until after an opportunity for hearing. In a civil action filed against the State, the court shall provide relief, other than preliminary relief, by directing the State to submit regulations which satisfy the requirements of section 804; when approved by the court, such regulations shall be incorporated as part of the final judicial order, and such order shall be valid only for such period of time as normally provided by State law for the regulations at issue. Local residents and other persons and organizations who are prevailing parties in an action filed pursuant to this section shall be awarded their costs and attorney's fees.

Hearing—
P.L. 98-20 repeals

~~(b) A civil action filed pursuant to this section shall be assigned for hearing at the earliest possible date, shall take precedence over other matters pending on the docket of the United States district court at that time, and shall be expedited in every way by such court and any appellate court.~~

(c) This section is the sole Federal judicial remedy created by this title for local residents and other residents who, and organizations which, are aggrieved by a failure of the State to provide for the priority of subsistence uses set forth in section 804.

PARK AND PARK MONUMENT SUBSISTENCE RESOURCE COMMISSIONS

16 USC 3118.

Subsistence
hunting pro-
gram.

SEC. 808. (a) Within one year from the date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary and the Governor shall each appoint three members to a subsistence resources commission for each national park or park monument within which subsistence uses are permitted by this Act. The regional advisory council established pursuant to section 805 which has jurisdiction within the area in which the park or park monument is located shall appoint three members to the commission each of whom is a member of either the regional advisory council or a local advisory committee within the region and also engages in subsistence uses within the park or park monument. Within eighteen months from the date of enactment of this Act, each commission shall devise and recommend to the Secretary and the Governor a program for subsistence hunting within the park or park monument. Such program shall be prepared using technical information and other pertinent data assembled or produced by necessary field studies or

investigations conducted jointly or separately by the technical and administrative personnel of the State and the Department of the Interior, information submitted by, and after consultation with the appropriate local advisory committees and regional advisory councils, and any testimony received in a public hearing or hearings held by the commission prior to preparation of the plan at a convenient location or locations in the vicinity of the park or park monument. Each year thereafter, the commission, after consultation with the appropriate local committees and regional councils, considering all relevant data and holding one or more additional hearings in the vicinity of the park or park monument, shall make recommendations to the Secretary and the Governor for any changes in the program or its implementation which the commission deems necessary.

(b) The Secretary shall promptly implement the program and recommendations submitted to him by each commission unless he finds in writing that such program or recommendations violates recognized principles of wildlife conservation, threatens the conservation of healthy populations of wildlife in the park or park monument, is contrary to the purposes for which the park or park monument is established, or would be detrimental to the satisfaction of subsistence needs of local residents. Upon notification by the Governor, the Secretary shall take no action on a submission of a commission for sixty days during which period he shall consider any proposed changes in the program or recommendations submitted by the commission which the Governor provides him.

(c) Pending the implementation of a program under subsection (a) of this section, the Secretary shall permit subsistence uses by local residents in accordance with the provisions of this title and other applicable Federal and State law.

Program and
recommendation
implementation.

COOPERATIVE AGREEMENTS

SEC. 809. The Secretary may enter into cooperative agreements or otherwise cooperate with other Federal agencies, the State, Native Corporations, other appropriate persons and organizations, and, acting through the Secretary of State, other nations to effectuate the purposes and policies of this title.

16 USC 3119.

SUBSISTENCE AND LAND USE DECISIONS

SEC. 810. (a) In determining whether to withdraw, reserve, lease, or otherwise permit the use, occupancy, or disposition of public lands under any provision of law authorizing such actions, the head of the Federal agency having primary jurisdiction over such lands or his designee shall evaluate the effect of such use, occupancy, or disposition on subsistence uses and needs, the availability of other lands for the purposes sought to be achieved, and other alternatives which would reduce or eliminate the use, occupancy, or disposition of public lands needed for subsistence purposes. No such withdrawal, reservation, lease, permit, or other use, occupancy or disposition of such lands which would significantly restrict subsistence uses shall be effected until the head of such Federal agency—

16 USC 3120.

(1) gives notice to the appropriate State agency and the appropriate local committees and regional councils established pursuant to section 805;

(2) gives notice of, and holds, a hearing in the vicinity of the area involved; and

Hearing.

(3) determines that (A) such a significant restriction of subsistence uses is necessary, consistent with sound management principles for the utilization of the public lands, (B) the proposed activity will involve the minimal amount of public lands necessary to accomplish the purposes of such use, occupancy, or other disposition, and (C) reasonable steps will be taken to minimize adverse impacts upon subsistence uses and resources resulting from such actions.

Notice and hearings.
42 USC 4332.

(b) If the Secretary is required to prepare an environmental impact statement pursuant to section 102(2)(C) of the National Environmental Policy Act, he shall provide the notice and hearing and include the findings required by subsection (a) as part of such environmental impact statement.

48 USC note prec. 21.
43 USC 1601 note.

(c) Nothing herein shall be construed to prohibit or impair the ability of the State or any Native Corporation to make land selections and receive land conveyances pursuant to the Alaska Statehood Act or the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act.

(d) After compliance with the procedural requirements of this section and other applicable law, the head of the appropriate Federal agency may manage or dispose of public lands under his primary jurisdiction for any of those uses or purposes authorized by this Act or other law.

ACCESS

16 USC 3121.

SEC. 811. (a) The Secretary shall ensure that rural residents engaged in subsistence uses shall have reasonable access to subsistence resources on the public lands.

(b) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Act or other law, the Secretary shall permit on the public lands appropriate use for subsistence purposes of snowmobiles, motorboats, and other means of surface transportation traditionally employed for such purposes by local residents, subject to reasonable regulation.

RESEARCH

16 USC 3122.

SEC. 812. The Secretary, in cooperation with the State and other appropriate Federal agencies, shall undertake research on fish and wildlife and subsistence uses on the public lands; seek data from, consult with and make use of, the special knowledge of local residents engaged in subsistence uses; and make the results of such research available to the State, the local and regional councils established by the Secretary or State pursuant to section 805, and other appropriate persons and organizations.

PERIODIC REPORTS

Submittal to Speaker of House and President of Senate.
16 USC 3123.

SEC. 813. Within four years after the date of enactment of this Act, and within every three-year period thereafter, the Secretary, in consultation with the Secretary of Agriculture, shall prepare and submit a report to the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives on the implementation of this title. The report shall include—

- (1) an evaluation of the results of the monitoring undertaken by the Secretary as required by section 806;
- (2) the status of fish and wildlife populations on public lands that are subject to subsistence uses;
- (3) a description of the nature and extent of subsistence uses and other uses of fish and wildlife on the public lands;

(4) the role of subsistence uses in the economy and culture of rural Alaska;

(5) comments on the Secretary's report by the State, the local advisory councils and regional advisory councils established by the Secretary or the State pursuant to section 805, and other appropriate persons and organizations;

(6) a description of those actions taken, or which may need to be taken in the future, to permit the opportunity for continuation of activities relating to subsistence uses on the public lands; and

(7) such other recommendations the Secretary deems appropriate.

A notice of the report shall be published in the Federal Register and the report shall be made available to the public.

Publication in
Federal Register.

REGULATIONS

SEC. 814. The Secretary shall prescribe such regulations as are necessary and appropriate to carry out his responsibilities under this title.

16 USC 3124.

LIMITATIONS, SAVINGS CLAUSES

SEC. 815. Nothing in this title shall be construed as—

16 USC 3125.

(1) granting any property right in any fish or wildlife or other resource of the public lands or as permitting the level of subsistence uses of fish and wildlife within a conservation system unit to be inconsistent with the conservation of healthy populations, and within a national park or monument to be inconsistent with the conservation of natural and healthy populations, of fish and wildlife. No privilege which may be granted by the State to any individual with respect to subsistence uses may be assigned to any other individual;

(2) permitting any subsistence use of fish and wildlife on any portion of the public lands (whether or not within any conservation system unit) which was permanently closed to such uses on January 1, 1978, or enlarging or diminishing the Secretary's authority to manipulate habitat on any portion of the public lands;

(3) authorizing a restriction on the taking of fish and wildlife for nonsubsistence uses on the public lands (other than national parks and park monuments) unless necessary for the conservation of healthy populations of fish and wildlife, for the reasons set forth in section 816, to continue subsistence uses of such populations, or pursuant to other applicable law; or

(4) modifying or repealing the provisions of any Federal law governing the conservation or protection of fish and wildlife, including the National Wildlife Refuge System Administration Act of 1966 (80 Stat. 927; 16 U.S.C. 668dd-ij), the National Park Service Organic Act (39 Stat. 535, 16 U.S.C. 1, 2, 3, 4), the Fur Seal Act of 1966 (80 Stat. 1091; 16 U.S.C. 1187), the Endangered Species Act of 1973 (87 Stat. 884; 16 U.S.C. 1531-1543), the Marine Mammal Protection Act of 1972 (86 Stat. 1027; 16 U.S.C. 1361-1407), the Act entitled "An Act for the Protection of the Bald Eagle", approved June 8, 1940 (54 Stat. 250; 16 U.S.C. 742a-754), the Migratory Bird Treaty Act (40 Stat. 755; 16 U.S.C. 703-711), the Federal Aid in Wildlife Restoration Act (50 Stat. 917; 16 U.S.C. 669-669i), the Fishery Conservation and Management Act of 1976 (90 Stat. 331; 16 U.S.C. 1801-1882), the Federal

16 USC 1151
note.

16 USC
668-668d.

Post, p. 3300.

Aid in Fish Restoration Act (64 Stat. 430; 16 U.S.C. 777-777K), or any amendments to any one or more of such Acts.

CLOSURE TO SUBSISTENCE USES

16 USC 3126.

SEC. 816. (a) All national parks and park monuments in Alaska shall be closed to the taking of wildlife except for subsistence uses to the extent specifically permitted by this Act. Subsistence uses and sport fishing shall be authorized in such areas by the Secretary and carried out in accordance with the requirements of this title and other applicable laws of the United States and the State of Alaska.

(b) Except as specifically provided otherwise by this section, nothing in this title is intended to enlarge or diminish the authority of the Secretary to designate areas where, and establish periods when, no taking of fish and wildlife shall be permitted on the public lands for reasons of public safety, administration, or to assure the continued viability of a particular fish or wildlife population. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Act or other law, the Secretary, after consultation with the State and adequate notice and public hearing, may temporarily close any public lands (including those within any conservation system unit), or any portion thereof, to subsistence uses of a particular fish or wildlife population only if necessary for reasons of public safety, administration, or to assure the continued viability of such population. If the Secretary determines that an emergency situation exists and that extraordinary measures must be taken for public safety or to assure the continued viability of a particular fish or wildlife population, the Secretary may immediately close the public lands, or any portion thereof, to the subsistence uses of such population and shall publish the reasons justifying the closure in the Federal Register. Such emergency closure shall be effective when made, shall not extend for a period exceeding sixty days, and may not subsequently be extended unless the Secretary affirmatively establishes, after notice and public hearing, that such closure should be extended.

Publication in Federal Register.

P.L. 107-89 confirms the State's seaward boundary 3 miles from its coastline

TITLE IX—IMPLEMENTATION OF ALASKA NATIVE CLAIMS SETTLEMENT ACT AND ALASKA STATEHOOD ACT

SUBMERGED LANDS STATUTE OF LIMITATION

P.L. 100-395 deletes all of Sec. 901 and replaces it with new subsections (a) thru (d).

43 USC 1601 note.

P.L. 99-258 replaced "5 years with "6" years then P.L. 99-644 replaced "6" years with "8" years and replaced 7 years with "9" years P.L. 100-395 deletes the statute of limitation

SEC. 901. (a) ~~Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the ownership by a Native Corporation or Native Group of a parcel of submerged land conveyed to such Corporation or Group pursuant to the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act or this Act, or a decision by the Secretary of the Interior that the water covering such parcel is not navigable, shall not be subject to judicial determination unless a civil action is filed in the United States District Court within five years after the date of execution of the interim conveyance if the interim conveyance was executed after the date of enactment of this Act, or within seven years after the date of enactment of this Act if the interim conveyance was executed on or before the date of enactment of this Act. If a parcel of submerged land was conveyed by a patent rather than an interim conveyance, the civil action described in the preceding sentence shall be filed within five years after the date of execution of the patent if the patent was executed after the date of enactment of this Act, or within seven years after the date of enactment of this Act if the patent was executed on or before the date of enactment of this Act. The civil action described in this~~

P.L. 100-395 deletes and replaces

subsection shall be a de novo determination of the ownership of the parcel which is the subject of the action.

(b) No agency or board of the Department of the Interior other than the Bureau of Land Management shall have authority to determine the navigability of water covering a parcel of submerged land selected by a Native Corporation or Native Group pursuant to the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act unless a determination by the Bureau of Land Management that the water covering a parcel of submerged land is not navigable was validly appealed to such agency or board prior to the date of enactment of this Act. The execution of an interim conveyance or patent (whichever is executed first) by the Bureau of Land Management conveying a parcel of submerged land to a Native Corporation or Native Group shall be the final agency action with respect to a decision by the Secretary of the Interior that the water covering such parcel is not navigable, unless such decision was validly appealed prior to the date of enactment of this Act to an agency or board of the Department of the Interior other than the Bureau of Land Management.

43 USC 1601 note.

(c) If the court determines that a parcel of submerged land which is the subject of a civil action described in subsection (a) is owned by the Native Corporation or Native Group to which it was conveyed pursuant to the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act or this Act, each defendant Native Corporation and Native Group shall be awarded a money judgment against the plaintiffs in an amount equal to its costs and attorney's fees, including costs and attorney's fees incurred on appeal.

Costs and attorney fees.

43 USC 1601 note.

(d) No Native Corporation or Native Group shall be determined to have been conveyed its acreage entitlement under the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act until—

(1) the statutes of limitation set forth in subsection (a) have expired with respect to every parcel of submerged land conveyed to such Corporation or Group; and

(2) a final judgment or order not subject to an appeal has been obtained in every civil action filed pursuant to subsection (a).

(e)(1) Whenever a parcel of submerged land to be conveyed to a Native Corporation or Native Group is located outside the boundaries of a conservation system unit such Corporation or Group and the State of Alaska may mutually agree that such parcel may be selected by and conveyed to the State under the provisions of section 6(b) of the Alaska Statehood Act.

Agreements or reconveyances with State.

48 USC note prec. 21.

(2) In any instance in which the State could have selected a parcel of submerged land pursuant to an agreement between the State and a Native Corporation or Native Group pursuant to paragraph (1) if such parcel had not previously been conveyed to such Corporation or Group, such Corporation or Group is authorized to reconvey such parcel to the Secretary, and the Secretary shall accept such reconveyance. If the surface estate and subsurface estate of such parcel are owned by different Native Corporations or Native Groups, every Corporation and Group with an interest in such parcel shall reconvey its entire interest in such parcel to the Secretary.

(3) In any agreement made between a Native Corporation or Native Group and the State of Alaska pursuant to paragraph (1), and in any reconveyance executed by a Native Corporation or Native Group pursuant to paragraph (2), each affected Corporation or Group shall disclaim its interest in the parcel which is the subject of the agreement or reconveyance. If such parcel underlies a lake having a surface area of fifty acres or greater or a stream having a width of three chains or greater, the Secretary shall determine the acreage

P.L. 100-395 deletes all Sec. 901 and replaces with new subsection (a), (b), (c), and (d)

contained in the parcel. If such parcel underlies a lake having a surface area of less than fifty acres or a stream having a width of less than three chains, the Secretary, the State, and the affected Native Corporation or Native Group shall determine the acreage contained in the parcel by mutual agreement. The affected Native Corporation or Native Group shall receive replacement lands in an amount equal to the acreage of the parcel as determined by the processes set forth in this paragraph.

(4) Upon receipt by the Secretary of an agreement executed pursuant to paragraph (1) or a reconveyance executed pursuant to paragraph (2), the parcel which is the subject of the agreement or reconveyance shall be deemed vacant, unappropriated, and unreserved public land available for selection by the State pursuant to section 6 of the Alaska Statehood Act, and the State is authorized to file a land selection application for such parcel pursuant to section 6(b) of the Alaska Statehood Act. The acreage within such parcel shall be charged against the State's land entitlement. If the water covering a parcel of submerged land selected by or conveyed to the State pursuant to this subsection is later determined (without regard to the statutes of limitation contained in this section) by a court of competent jurisdiction to be navigable and title to such parcel to be vested in the State pursuant to section 6(m) of the Alaska Statehood Act, such selection or conveyance shall not diminish the State's land entitlement under section 6(b) of the Alaska Statehood Act, nor shall such judicial determination of navigability affect the land entitlement of any Native Corporation or Native Group pursuant to the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act. Land selections made by the State pursuant to this subsection shall not be subject to the size limitations of section 6(g) of the Alaska Statehood Act or this Act. Notwithstanding the survey requirements of section 6(g) of the Alaska Statehood Act and section 13 of the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act, no ground survey or monumentation shall be required on any parcel selected by and conveyed to the State or excluded from a conveyance to any Native Corporation or Native Group pursuant to this subsection.

(5) Any Native Corporation or Native Group which is entitled to receive conveyance of replacement acreage in lieu of acreage within a parcel of submerged land relinquished or reconveyed pursuant to this subsection shall receive conveyance of such replacement acreage from among existing selections made by such Corporation or Group pursuant to the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act or this Act. If such selections are insufficient to fulfill the acreage entitlement of such Corporation or Group pursuant to the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act, the provisions of section 1410 shall apply to such Corporation or Group pursuant to section 1410 unless such land was withdrawn under section 11(a) of the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act. Any replacement acreage conveyed to a Native Corporation or Native Group from lands withdrawn pursuant to section 1410 shall be subject to the provisions of sections 12, 14, 16, 17, and 22 of the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act.

(f) The procedures and statutes of limitation set forth in this section shall not apply to administrative or judicial determinations of the navigability of water covering a parcel of submerged land other than a parcel conveyed to a Native Corporation or Native Group pursuant to the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act or this Act.

48 USC note
prec. 21.

43 USC 1601
note.

43 USC 1612.

Replacement
acreage.

43 USC 1601
note.
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43 USC 1610.

43 USC 1611,
1613, 1615, 1616,
1621.

43 USC 1601
note.

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(g) As used in this section, the terms "navigable" and "navigability" mean navigable for the purpose of determining title to lands beneath navigable waters, as between the United States and the several States, pursuant to the Submerged Lands Act of 1953 (67 Stat. 29), and section 6(m) of the Alaska Statehood Act.

"Navigable."
"Navigability."

43 USC 1301
note.
48 USC note
prec. 21.

(h) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, any civil action contesting the legality or authority of the United States to legislate on the subject matter of this section shall be barred unless the complaint is filed within one year after the date of enactment of this Act. The purpose of this limitation on suits is to ensure that, after the expiration of a reasonable period of time, the right, title, and interest of Native Corporations and Native Groups in submerged lands conveyed to them under the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act and this Act will vest with certainty and finality and may be relied upon by such Corporations and Groups and all other persons in their relations among themselves and with the State and the United States.

43 USC 1601
note.

STATUTE OF LIMITATIONS

SEC. 902. (a) Except for administrative determinations of navigability for purposes of determining ownership of submerged lands under the Submerged Lands Act, a decision of the Secretary under this title or the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act shall not be subject to judicial review unless such action is initiated before a court of competent jurisdiction within two years after the day the Secretary's decision becomes final or the date of enactment of this Act, whichever is later: *Provided*, That the party seeking such review shall first exhaust any administrative appeal rights.

43 USC 1632.

43 USC 1301
note.

(b) Decisions made by a Village Corporation to reconvey land under section 14(c) of the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act shall not be subject to judicial review unless such action is initiated before a court of competent jurisdiction within one year after the date of the filing of the map of boundaries as provided for in regulations promulgated by the Secretary.

43 USC 1613.

ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS

SEC. 903. (a) LIMITATIONS CONCERNING EASEMENTS.—With respect to lands conveyed to Native Corporations or Native Groups the Secretary shall reserve only those easements which are described in section 17(b)(1) of the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act and shall be guided by the following principles:

43 USC 1633.

43 USC 1616.

- (1) all easements should be designed so as to minimize their impact on Native life styles, and on subsistence uses; and
- (2) each easement should be specifically located and described and should include only such areas as are necessary for the purpose or purposes for which the easement is reserved.

(b) ACQUISITION OF FUTURE EASEMENTS.—Whenever, after a conveyance has been made by this Act or under the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act, the Secretary determines that an easement not reserved at the time of conveyance or by operation of subsection (a) of this section is required for any purpose specified in section 17(b)(1) of the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act, he is authorized to acquire such easement by purchase or otherwise. The acquisition of such an easement shall be deemed a public purpose for which the Secretary may exercise his exchange authority pursuant to section 22(f) of the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act.

43 USC 1601
note.

43 USC 1621.

(c) STATUS OF CERTAIN LEASE OFFERS.—Offers for noncompetitive oil and gas leases under the Mineral Leasing Act of 1920 which were

30 USC 181 note.

P.L. 96-487-395 delete + replace Sec. 901

43 USC 1613.

filed but which did not result in the issuance of a lease on or before December 18, 1971, on lands selected by, and conveyed before, on, or after the date of enactment of this Act to, Native Corporations or to individual Natives under paragraph (5) or (6) of section 14(h) as part of the entitlement to receive land under the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act shall not constitute valid existing rights under section 14(g) of such Act or under this Act.

43 USC 1604,
note, 1605 note,
1611 note, 1613
and note, 1615,
1616, 1618 note,
1620, 1621, 1625
and note, 1626,
1627, 1628.
43 USC 1621.

(d) **LIMITATION.**—This Act is not intended to modify, repeal, or otherwise affect any provision of the Act of January 2, 1976 (89 Stat. 1145), as amended or supplemented by Public Laws 94-456 and 95-178, and shall not be construed as imposing any additional restriction on the use or management of those lands described in section 22(k) of the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act.

TAX MORATORIUM EXTENSION

SEC. 904. Subsection (d) of section 21 of the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act, as amended (43 U.S.C. 1601, 1620(d)), is amended to read:

43 USC 1613.

Ante, p. 2371.

“(d)(1) Real property interests conveyed, pursuant to this Act, to a Native individual, Native Group, Village or Regional Corporation or corporation established pursuant to section 14(h)(3) which are not developed or leased to third parties or which are used solely for the purposes of exploration shall be exempt from State and local real property taxes for a period of twenty years from the vesting of title pursuant to the Alaska National Interest Lands Conservation Act or the date of issuance of an interim conveyance or patent, whichever is earlier, for those interests to such individual, group, or corporation: *Provided*, That municipal taxes, local real property taxes, or local assessments may be imposed upon any portion of such interest within the jurisdiction of any governmental unit under the laws of the State which is leased or developed for purposes other than exploration for so long as such portion is leased or being developed: *Provided further*, That easements, rights-of-way, leaseholds, and similar interests in such real property may be taxed in accordance with State or local law. All rents, royalties, profits, and other revenues or proceeds derived from such property interests shall be taxable to the same extent as such revenues or proceeds are taxable when received by a non-Native individual or corporation.

“(2) Any real property interest, not developed or leased to third parties, acquired by a Native individual, Native Group, Village or Regional Corporation, or corporation established pursuant to section 14(h)(3) in exchange for real property interests which are exempt from taxation pursuant to paragraph (1) of this subsection shall be deemed to be a property interest conveyed pursuant to this Act and shall be exempt from taxation as if conveyed pursuant to this Act, when such an exchange is made with the Federal Government, the State government, a municipal government, or another Native Corporation, or, if neither party to the exchange receives a cash value greater than 25 per centum of the value of the land exchanged, a private party. In the event that a Native Corporation simultaneously exchanges two or more tracts of land having different periods of tax exemption pursuant to subsection (d), the periods of tax exemption for the exchanged lands received by such Native Corporation shall be determined (A) by calculating the percentage that the acreage of each tract given up bears to the total acreage given up, and (B) by applying such percentages and the related periods of tax exemption to the acreage received in exchange.”

(A) ALASKA NATIVE ALLOTMENTS

SEC. 905. (a)(1) Subject to valid existing rights, all Alaska Native allotment applications made pursuant to the Act of May 17, 1906 (34 Stat. 197, as amended) which were pending before the Department of the Interior on or before December 18, 1971, and which describe either land that was unreserved on December 13, 1968, or land within the National Petroleum Reserve—Alaska (then identified as Naval Petroleum Reserve No. 4) are hereby approved on the one hundred and eightieth day following the effective date of this Act, except where provided otherwise by paragraph (3), (4), (5), or (6) of this subsection, or where the land description of the allotment must be adjusted pursuant to subsection (b) of this section, in which cases approval pursuant to the terms of this subsection shall be effective at the time the adjustment becomes final. The Secretary shall cause allotments approved pursuant to this section to be surveyed and shall issue trust certificates therefor.

(2) All applications approved pursuant to this section shall be subject to the provisions of the Act of March 8, 1922 (43 U.S.C. 270-11).

(3) When on or before the one hundred and eightieth day following the effective date of this Act the Secretary determines by notice or decision that the land described in an allotment application may be valuable for minerals, excluding oil, gas, or coal, the allotment application shall be adjudicated pursuant to the provision of the Act of May 17, 1906, as amended, requiring that land allotted under said Act be nonmineral: *Provided*, That "nonmineral", as that term is used in such Act, is defined to include land valuable for deposits of sand or gravel.

(4) Where an allotment application describes land within the boundaries of a unit of the National Park System established on or before the effective date of this Act and the described land was not withdrawn pursuant to section 11(a)(1) of the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act, or where an allotment application describes land which has been patented or deeded to the State of Alaska or which on or before December 18, 1971, was validly selected by or tentatively approved or confirmed to the State of Alaska pursuant to the Alaska Statehood Act and was not withdrawn pursuant to section 11(a)(1)(A) of the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act from those lands made available for selection by section 11(a)(2) of the Act by any Native Village certified as eligible pursuant to section 11(b) of such Act, paragraph (1) of this subsection and subsection (d) of this section shall not apply and the application shall be adjudicated pursuant to the requirements of the Act of May 17, 1906, as amended, the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act, and other applicable law.

(5) Paragraph (1) of this subsection and subsection (d) shall not apply and the Native allotment application shall be adjudicated pursuant to the requirements of the Act of May 17, 1906, as amended, if on or before the one hundred and eightieth day following the effective date of this Act—

(A) A Native Corporation files a protest with the Secretary stating that the applicant is not entitled to the land described in the allotment application, and said land is withdrawn for selection by the Corporation pursuant to the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act; or

(B) The State of Alaska files a protest with the Secretary stating that the land described in the allotment application is necessary for access to lands owned by the United States, the

P.L. 102-415 amends:
add (A) and language:
43 USC 1634.

43 USC 270-1—
270-3.

"or within Fort Davis (except
as provided in subparagraph
(B))"

and adds (B) regarding
allotment, heirs, and ~~land~~ trail
Applications. Trail

"Nonmineral."

43 USC 1610.

43 USC 270-1—
270-3.
43 USC 1601
note.

PL. 105-333 allows legislative approval of allotments where State protests withdrawn, subject to reservation of trails that predated applicant's use

State of Alaska, or a political subdivision of the State of Alaska, to resources located thereon, or to a public body of water regularly employed for transportation purposes, and the protest states with specificity the facts upon which the conclusions concerning access are based and that no reasonable alternatives for access exist; or

(C) A person or entity files a protest with the Secretary stating that the applicant is not entitled to the land described in the allotment application and that said land is the situs of improvements claimed by the person or entity.

(6) Paragraph (1) of this subsection and subsection (d) shall not apply to any application pending before the Department of the Interior on or before December 18, 1971, which was knowingly and voluntarily relinquished by the applicant thereafter.

Conflicting allotment applications.

(b) Where a conflict between two or more allotment applications exists due to overlapping land descriptions, the Secretary shall adjust the descriptions to eliminate conflicts, and in so doing, consistent with other existing rights, if any, may expand or alter the applied-for allotment boundaries or increase or decrease acreage in one or more of the allotment applications to achieve an adjustment which, to the extent practicable, is consistent with prior use of the allotted land and is beneficial to the affected parties: *Provided*, That the Secretary shall, to the extent feasible, implement an adjustment proposed by the affected parties: *Provided further*, That the Secretary's decision concerning adjustment of conflicting land descriptions shall be final and unreviewable in all cases in which the reduction, if any, of the affected allottee's claim is less than 30 percent of the acreage contained in the parcel originally described and the adjustment does not exclude from the allotment improvements claimed by the allottee: *Provided further*, That where an allotment application describes more than one hundred and sixty acres, the Secretary shall at any time prior to or during survey reduce the acreage to one hundred and sixty acres and shall attempt to accomplish said reduction in the manner least detrimental to the applicant.

Amended land descriptions.

(c) An allotment applicant may amend the land description contained in his or her application if said description designates land other than that which the applicant intended to claim at the time of application and if the description as amended describes the land originally intended to be claimed. If the allotment application is amended, this section shall operate to approve the application or to require its adjudication, as the case may be, with reference to the amended land description only: *Provided*, That the Secretary shall notify the State of Alaska and all interested parties, as shown by the records of the Department of the Interior, of the intended correction of the allotment's location, and any such party shall have until the one hundred and eightieth day following the effective date of this Act or sixty days following mailing of the notice, whichever is later, to file with the Department of the Interior a protest as provided in subsection (a)(5) of this section, which protest, if timely, shall be deemed filed within one hundred and eighty days of the effective date of this Act notwithstanding the actual date of filing: *Provided further*, That the Secretary may require that all allotment applications designating land in a specified area be amended, if at all, prior to a date certain, which date shall be calculated to allow for orderly adoption of a plan of survey for the specified area, and the Secretary shall mail notification of the final date for amendment to each affected allotment applicant, and shall provide such other notice as the Secretary deems appropriate, at least sixty days prior to said date: *Provided further*,

That no allotment application may be amended for location following adoption of a final plan of survey which includes the location of the allotment as described in the application or its location as desired by amendment.

(d) Where the land described in an allotment application pending before the Department of the Interior on or before December 18, 1971 (or such an application as adjusted or amended pursuant to subsection (b) or (c) of this section), was on that date withdrawn, reserved, or classified for powersite or power-project purposes, notwithstanding such withdrawal, reservation, or classification the described land shall be deemed vacant, unappropriated, and unreserved within the meaning of the Act of May 17, 1906, as amended, and, as such, shall be subject to adjudication or approval pursuant to the terms of this section: *Provided, however*, That if the described land is included as part of a project licensed under part I of the Federal Power Act of June 10, 1920 (41 Stat. 24), as amended, or is presently utilized for purposes of generating or transmitting electrical power or for any other project authorized by Act of Congress, the foregoing provision shall not apply and the allotment application shall be adjudicated pursuant to the Act of May 17, 1906, as amended: *Provided further*, That where the allotment applicant commenced use of the land after its withdrawal or classification for powersite purposes, the allotment shall be made subject to the right of reentry provided the United States by section 24 of the Federal Power Act, as amended: *Provided further*, That any right of reentry reserved in a certificate of allotment pursuant to this section shall expire twenty years after the effective date of this Act if at that time the allotted land is not subject to a license or an application for a license under part I of the Federal Power Act, as amended, or actually utilized or being developed for a purpose authorized by that Act, as amended, or other Act of Congress.

43 USC 270-1-270-3.

41 Stat. 1063. 16 USC 791a.

16 USC 818.

16 USC 791a.

(e) Prior to issuing a certificate for an allotment subject to this section, the Secretary shall identify and adjudicate any record entry or application for title made under an Act other than the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act, the Alaska Statehood Act, or the Act of May 17, 1906, as amended, which entry or application claims land also described in the allotment application, and shall determine whether such entry or application represents a valid existing right to which the allotment application is subject. Nothing in this section shall be construed to affect rights, if any, acquired by actual use of the described land prior to its withdrawal or classification, or as affecting national forest lands.

43 USC 1601 note, 48 USC note prec. 21, 43 USC 270-1-270-3.

STATE SELECTIONS AND CONVEYANCES

SEC. 906. (a) EXTENSION OF SELECTION PERIOD.—(1) In furtherance and confirmation of the State of Alaska's entitlement to certain national forest and other public lands in Alaska for community development and expansion purposes, section 6(a) of the Alaska Statehood Act is amended by substituting "thirty-five years" for "twenty-five years".

← P.L. 102-415 adds new section regarding allotments and corporations.

48 USC note prec. 21.

48 USC note prec. 21.

(2) EXTENSION OF SELECTION PERIOD.—In furtherance and confirmation of the State of Alaska's entitlement to certain public lands in Alaska, section 6(b) of the Alaska Statehood Act is amended by substituting "thirty-five years" for "twenty-five years".

(b) SCHOOL LANDS SETTLEMENT.—(1) In full and final settlement of any and all claims by the State of Alaska arising under the Act of March 4, 1915 (38 Stat. 1214), as confirmed and transferred in section 6(k) of the Alaska Statehood Act, the State is hereby granted seventy-

43 USC 1635.

five thousand acres which it shall be entitled to select until January 4, 1994, from vacant, unappropriated, and unreserved public lands. In exercising the selection rights granted herein, the State shall be deemed to have relinquished all claims to any right, title, or interest to any school lands which failed to vest under the above statutes at the time Alaska became a State (January 3, 1959), including lands unsurveyed on that date or surveyed lands which were within Federal reservations or withdrawals on that date.

48 USC note
prec. 21.

(2) Except as provided herein, such selections shall be made in conformance with the provisions for selections under section 6(b) of the Alaska Statehood Act. Selections made under this subsection shall be in units of whole sections as shown on the official survey plats of the Bureau of Land Management, including protraction diagrams, unless part of the section is unavailable or the land is otherwise surveyed, or unless the Secretary waives the whole section requirement.

(3) Lands selected and conveyed to the State under this subsection shall be subject to the provisions of subsections (j) and (k) of section 6 of the Alaska Statehood Act.

43 USC 1601
note.

(c) **PRIOR TENTATIVE APPROVALS.**—(1) All tentative approvals of State of Alaska land selections pursuant to the Alaska Statehood Act are hereby confirmed, subject only to valid existing rights and Native selection rights under the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act, and the United States hereby confirms that all right, title, and interest of the United States in and to such lands is deemed to have vested in the State of Alaska as of the date of tentative approval; except that this subsection shall not apply to tentative approvals which, prior to the date of enactment of this Act, have been relinquished by the State, or have been finally revoked by the United States under authority other than authority under section 11(a)(2), 12(a), or 12(b) of the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act.

43 USC 1610,
1611.

(2) Upon approval of a land survey by the Secretary, such lands shall be patented to the State of Alaska.

Land patents.

(3) If the State elects to receive patent to any of the lands which are the subject of this subsection on the basis of protraction surveys in lieu of field surveys, the Secretary shall issue patent to the State on that basis within six months after notice of such election. For townships having such adverse claims of record, patent on the basis of protraction surveys shall be issued as soon as practicable after such election.

(4) Future tentative approvals of State land selections, when issued, shall have the same force and effect as those existing tentative approvals which are confirmed by this subsection and shall be processed for patent by the same administrative procedures as specified in paragraphs (2) and (3) of this subsection.

48 USC note
prec. 21.

43 USC 1601
note.

(d) **PRIOR STATE SELECTIONS.**—(1) In furtherance of the State's entitlement to lands under section 6(b) of the Alaska Statehood Act, the United States hereby conveys to the State of Alaska, subject only to valid existing rights and Native selection rights under the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act, all right, title and interest of the United States in and to all vacant, unappropriated, and unreserved lands, including lands subject to subsection (l) of this section, which are specified in the list entitled "Prior State of Alaska Selections to be Conveyed by Congress", dated July 24, 1978, submitted by the State of Alaska and on file in the Office of the Secretary except those Federal lands which are specified in a list dated October 19, 1979, submitted by the State of Alaska and on file with the Office of the Secretary. If any of those townships listed above contain lands within the bound-

aries of any conservation system unit, national conservation area, national recreation area, new national forest or forest addition, established, designated, or expanded by this Act, then only those lands within such townships which have been previously selected by the State of Alaska shall be conveyed pursuant to this subsection.

(2) In furtherance of the State's entitlement to lands under section 6(a) of the Alaska Statehood Act, the United States hereby conveys to the State of Alaska, subject only to valid existing rights and Native selection rights under the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act, all right, title and interest of the United States in and to all valid land selections made from the national forests under authority of said section 6(a) which have been approved by the Secretary of Agriculture prior to July 1, 1979.

(3) As soon as practicable after the date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary shall issue tentative approvals to such State selections as required by the Alaska Statehood Act and pursuant to subsection (i) of this section. The sequence of issuance of such tentative approvals shall be on the basis of priorities determined by the State.

(4) Upon approval of a land survey by the Secretary, such lands shall be patented to the State of Alaska.

(5) If the State elects to receive patent to any of the lands which are the subject of this subsection on the basis of protraction surveys in lieu of field surveys, the Secretary shall issue patent to the State on that basis within six months after notice of such election for townships having no adverse claims on the public land records. For townships having such adverse claims of record, patent on the basis of protraction surveys shall be issued as soon as practicable after such election.

(6) Future valid State land selections shall be subject only to valid existing rights and Native selection rights under the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act.

(e) **FUTURE "TOP FILINGS"**.—Subject to valid existing rights and Native selection rights under the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act, the State, at its option, may file future selection applications and amendments thereto, pursuant to section 6 (a) or (b) of the Alaska Statehood Act or subsection (b) of this section, for lands which are not, on the date of filing of such applications, available within the meaning of section 6 (a) or (b) of the Alaska Statehood Act, other than lands within any conservation system unit or the National Petroleum Reserve—Alaska. Each such selection application, if otherwise valid, shall become an effective selection without further action by the State upon the date the lands included in such application become available within the meaning of subsection (a) or (b) of section 6 regardless of whether such date occurs before or after expiration of the State's land selection rights. Selection applications heretofore filed by the State may be refiled so as to become subject to the provisions of this subsection; except that no such refiling shall prejudice any claim of validity which may be asserted regarding the original filing of such application. Nothing contained in this subsection shall be construed to prevent the United States from transferring a Federal reservation or appropriation from one Federal agency to another Federal agency for the use and benefit of the Federal Government.

(f) **RIGHT TO OVERSELECT**.—(1) The State of Alaska may select lands exceeding by not more than 25 per centum in total area the amount of State entitlement which has not been patented or tentatively approved under each grant or confirmation of lands to the State contained in the Alaska Statehood Act or other law. If its selections

48 USC note
prec. 21.

43 USC 1601
note.

Tentative
approvals.

48 USC note
prec. 21.

Land patents.

43 USC 1601
note.

48 USC note
prec. 21.

under a particular grant exceed such remaining entitlement, the State shall thereupon list all selections for that grant which have not been tentatively approved in desired priority order of conveyance, in blocks no larger than one township in size; except that the State may alter such priorities prior to receipt of tentative approval. Upon receipt by the State of subsequent tentative approvals, such excess selections shall be reduced by the Secretary pro rata by rejecting the lowest prioritized selection blocks necessary to maintain a maximum excess selection of 25 per centum of the entitlement which has not yet been tentatively approved or patented to the State under each grant.

Relinquishments.

48 USC note
prec. 21.

(2) The State of Alaska may, by written notification to the Secretary, relinquish any selections of land filed under the Alaska Statehood Act or subsection (b) of this section prior to receipt by the State of tentative approval, except that lands conveyed pursuant to subsection (g) of this section may not be relinquished pursuant to this paragraph.

48 USC note
prec. 21.

(3) Section 6(g) of the Alaska Statehood Act is amended by adding at the end thereof the following new sentence: "As to all selections made by the State after January 1, 1979, pursuant to section 6(b) of this Act, the Secretary of the Interior, in his discretion, may waive the minimum tract selection size where he determines that such a reduced selection size would be in the national interest and would result in a better land ownership pattern."

(g) CONVEYANCE OF SPECIFIED LANDS.—In furtherance of the State's entitlement to lands under section 6(b) of the Alaska Statehood Act, the United States hereby conveys to the State of Alaska all right, title, and interest of the United States in and to all vacant, unappropriated, and unreserved lands, including lands subject to subsection (e) of this section but which lie within those townships outside the boundaries of conservation system units, National Conservation Areas, National Recreation Areas, new national forests and forest additions, established, designated, or expanded by this Act, which are specified in the list entitled "State Selection Lands May 15, 1978", dated July 24, 1978, submitted by the State of Alaska and on file in the office of the Secretary of the Interior. The denomination of lands in such list which are not, on the date of enactment of this Act, available lands within the meaning of section 6(b) of the Alaska Statehood Act and this Act shall be treated as a future selection application pursuant to subsection (e) of this section, to the extent such an application could have been filed under such subsection (e).

43 USC 1601
note.

(h) LIMITATION OF CONVEYANCES OF SPECIFIED LANDS TENTATIVE APPROVALS; SURVEYS.—(1) Lands identified in subsection (g) are conveyed to the State subject to valid existing rights and Native selection rights under the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act. All right, title, and interest of the United States in and to such lands shall vest in the State of Alaska as of the date of enactment of this Act, subject to those reservations specified in subsection (l) of this section.

(2) As soon as practicable after the date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary shall issue to the State tentative approvals to such lands as required by the Alaska Statehood Act and pursuant to subsection (i) of this section. The sequence of issuance of such tentative approvals shall be on the basis of priorities determined by the State.

(3) Upon approval of a land survey by the Secretary, those lands identified in subsection (g) shall be patented to the State of Alaska.

(4) If the State elects to receive patent to any of the lands which are identified in subsection (g) on the basis of protraction surveys in lieu

of field surveys, the Secretary shall issue patent to the State on that basis within six months after notice of such election for townships having no adverse claims on the public land records. For townships having such adverse claims of record, patent on the basis of protraction surveys shall be issued as soon as practicable after such election.

(i) **ADJUDICATION.**—Nothing contained in this section shall relieve the Secretary of the duty to adjudicate conflicting claims regarding the lands specified in subsection (g) of this section, or otherwise selected under authority of the Alaska Statehood Act, subsection (b) of this section, or other law, prior to the issuance of tentative approval.

48 USC note
prec. 21.

(j) **CLARIFICATION OF LAND STATUS OUTSIDE UNITS.**—As to lands outside the boundaries of a conservation system unit, National Recreation Areas, National Conservation Areas, new national forests and forest additions, the following withdrawals, classifications, or designations shall not, of themselves, remove the lands involved from the status of vacant, unappropriated, and unreserved lands for the purposes of subsection (d) or (g) of this section and future State selections pursuant to the Alaska Statehood Act or subsection (b) of this section:

(1) withdrawals for classification pursuant to section 17(d)(1) of the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act; except that, in accordance with the Memorandum of Understanding between the United States and the State of Alaska dated September 2, 1972, to the extent that Public Land Orders Numbered 5150, 5151, 5181, 5182, 5184, 5187, 5190, 5194, and 5388 by their terms continue to prohibit State selections of certain lands, such lands shall remain unavailable for future State selection except as provided by subsection (e) of this Act;

43 USC 1616.

(2) withdrawals pursuant to section 11 of the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act, which are not finally conveyed pursuant to section 12, 14, or 19 of such Act;

43 USC 1610.
43 USC 1611,
1613, 1618.

(3) classifications pursuant to the Classification and Multiple Use Act (78 Stat. 987);

(4) classifications or designations pursuant to the National Forest Management Act (90 Stat. 2949) as amended; and

16 USC 1600
note.

(5) classifications, withdrawals exceeding 5,000 acres (except withdrawals exceeding 5,000 acres which the Congress, by concurrent resolution, approves within 180 days of the withdrawal or the effective date of this Act, whichever occurs later), or designations pursuant to the Federal Land Policy and Management Act (90 Stat. 2743).

(k) **INTERIM PROVISIONS.**—Notwithstanding any other provision of law, on lands selected by, or granted or conveyed to, the State of Alaska under section 6 of the Alaska Statehood Act or this Act, but not yet tentatively approved to the State:

43 USC 1701
note.

(1) The Secretary is authorized to make contracts and grant leases, licenses, permits, rights-of-way, or easements, and any tentative approval or patent shall be subject to such contract, lease, license, permit, right-of-way, or easement; except that (A) the authority granted the Secretary by this subsection is that authority the Secretary otherwise would have had under existing laws and regulations had the lands not been selected by the State, and (B) the State has concurred prior to such action by the Secretary.

48 USC note
prec. 21.
Contracts.

(2) On and after the date of enactment of this Act, 90 per centum of any and all proceeds derived from contracts, leases, licenses, permits, rights-of-way, or easements or from trespasses

originating after the date of selection by the State shall be held by the Secretary until such lands have been tentatively approved to the State. As such lands are tentatively approved, the Secretary shall pay to the State from such account the proceeds allocable to such lands which are derived from contracts, leases, licenses, permits, rights-of-way, easements, or trespasses. The proceeds derived from contracts, leases, licenses, permits, rights-of-way, easements or trespasses and deposited to the account pertaining to lands selected by the State but not tentatively approved due to rejection or relinquishment shall be paid as would have been required by law were it not for the provisions of this Act. In the event that the tentative approval does not cover all of the land embraced within any contract, lease, license, permit, right-of-way, easement, or trespass, the State shall only be entitled to the proportionate amount of the proceeds derived from such contract, lease, license, permit, right-of-way, or easement, which results from multiplying the total of such proceeds by a fraction in which the numerator is the acreage of such contract, lease, license, permit, right-of-way, or easement which is included in the tentative approval and the denominator is the total acreage contained in such contract, lease, license, permit, right-of-way, or easement; in the case of trespass, the State shall be entitled to the proportionate share of the proceeds in relation to the damages occurring on the respective lands.

(3) Nothing in this subsection shall relieve the State or the United States of any obligations under section 9 of the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act or the fourth sentence of section 6(h) of the Alaska Statehood Act.

(1) **EXISTING RIGHTS.**—(1) All conveyances to the State under section 6 of the Alaska Statehood Act, this Act, or any other law, shall be subject to valid existing rights, to Native selection rights under the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act, and to any right-of-way or easement reserved for or appropriated by the United States prior to selection of the underlying lands by the State of Alaska.

(2) Where, prior to a conveyance to the State, a right-of-way or easement has been reserved for or appropriated by the United States or a contract, lease, permit, right-of-way, or easement has been issued for the lands, the conveyance shall contain provisions making it subject to the right-of-way or easement reserved or appropriated and to the contract, lease, license, permit, right-of-way, or easement issued or granted, and also subject to the right of the United States, contractee, lessee, licensee, permittee, or grantee to the complete enjoyment of all rights, privileges, and benefits previously granted, issued, reserved, or appropriated. Upon issuance of tentative approval, the State shall succeed and become entitled to any and all interests of the United States as contractor, lessor, licensor, permittor, or grantor, in any such contracts, leases, licenses, permits, rights-of-way, or easements, except those reserved to the United States in the tentative approval.

(3) The administration of rights-of-way or easements reserved to the United States in the tentative approval shall be in the United States, including the right to grant an interest in such right-of-way or easement in whole or in part.

(4) Where the lands tentatively approved do not include all of the land involved with any contract, lease, license, permit, right-of-way, or easement issued or granted, the administration of such contract, lease, license, permit, right-of-way, or easement shall remain in the

43 USC 1608.
48 USC note
prec. 21.

43 USC 1601
note.

Administration.

United States unless the agency responsible for administration waives such administration.

(5) Nothing in this subsection shall relieve the State or the United States of any obligations under section 9 of the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act or the fourth sentence of section 6(h) of the Alaska Statehood Act.

43 USC 1608.
48 USC note
prec. 21.

(m) **EXTINGUISHMENT OF CERTAIN TIME EXTENSIONS.**—Any extensions of time periods granted to the State pursuant to section 17(d)(2)(E) of the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act are hereby extinguished, and the time periods specified in subsections (a) and (b) of this section shall hereafter be applicable to State selections.

43 USC 1616.

(n) **EFFECT ON THIRD-PARTY RIGHTS.**—(1) Nothing in this section shall alter the rights or obligations of any party with regard to section 12 of the Act of January 2, 1976 (Public Law 94-204), sections 4 and 5 of the Act of October 4, 1976 (Public Law 94-456), or section 3 of the Act of November 15, 1977 (Public Law 94-178).

43 USC 1611
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43 USC 1611
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43 USC 1611
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(2) Any conveyance of land to or confirmation of prior selections of the State made by this Act or selections allowed under this Act shall be subject to the rights of Cook Inlet Region, Incorporated, to nominate lands outside of its region with such nominations to be superior to any selection made by the State after July 18, 1975, including any lands conveyed to the State pursuant to subsection (g) of this section, and to the duty of the Secretary, with consent of the State, to make certain lands within the Cook Inlet Region available to the Corporation, both in accordance with the provisions of section 12(b) of the Act of January 2, 1976 (Public Law 94-204), as amended.

(3) Nothing in this title shall prejudice a claim of validity or invalidity regarding any third-party interest created by the State of Alaska prior to December 18, 1971, under authority of section 6(g) of the Alaska Statehood Act or otherwise.

48 USC note
prec. 21.

(4) Nothing in this Act shall affect any right of the United States or Alaska Natives to seek and receive damages against any party for trespass against, or other interference with, aboriginal interests if any, occurring prior to December 18, 1971.

(o) **STATUS OF LANDS WITHIN UNITS.**—(1) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, subject to valid existing rights any land withdrawn pursuant to section 17(d)(1) of the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act and within the boundaries of any conservation system unit, National Recreation Area, National Conservation Area, new national forest or forest addition, shall be added to such unit and administered accordingly unless, before, on, or after the date of the enactment of this Act, such land has been validly selected by and conveyed to a Native Corporation, or unless before the date of the enactment of this Act, such land has been validly selected by, and after the date of enactment of this Act is conveyed to the State. At such time as the entitlement of any Native Corporation to land under the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act is satisfied, any land within a conservation system unit selected by such Native Corporation shall, to the extent that such land is in excess of its entitlement, become part of such unit and administered accordingly: *Provided*, That nothing in this subsection shall necessarily preclude the future conveyance to the State of those Federal lands which are specified in a list dated October 19, 1979, submitted by the State of Alaska and on file with the Office of the Secretary: *Provided further*, That nothing in this subsection shall affect any conveyance to the State pursuant to subsections (b), (c), (d), or (g) of this section.

43 USC 1616.

43 USC 1601
note.

(2) Until conveyed, all Federal lands within the boundaries of a conservation system unit, National Recreation Area, National Con-

ervation Area, new national forest or forest addition, shall be administered in accordance with the laws applicable to such unit.

48 USC note
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48 USC note
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(p) **PYK LINE.**—The second proviso of section 6(b) of the Alaska Statehood Act regarding Presidential approval of land selection north and west of the line described in section 10 of such Act shall not apply to any conveyance of land to the State pursuant to subsections (c), (d), and (g) of this section but shall apply to future State selections.

ALASKA LAND BANK

43 USC 1636.

SEC. 907. (a) ESTABLISHMENT: AGREEMENTS.—(1) In order to enhance the quantity and quality of Alaska's renewable resources and to facilitate the coordinated management and protection of Federal, State, and Native and other private lands, there is hereby established the Alaska Land Bank Program. Any private landowner is authorized as provided in this section to enter into a written agreement with the Secretary if his lands adjoin, or his use of such lands would directly affect, Federal land, Federal and State land, or State land if the State is not participating in the program. Any private landowner described in subsection (c)(2) whose lands do not adjoin, or whose use of such lands would not directly affect either Federal or State lands also is entitled to enter into an agreement with the Secretary. Any private landowner whose lands adjoin, or whose use of such lands would directly affect, only State, or State and private lands, is authorized as provided in this section to enter into an agreement with the State of Alaska if the State is participating in the program. If the Secretary is the contracting party with the private landowner, he shall afford the State an opportunity to participate in negotiations and become a party to the agreement. An agreement may include all or part of the lands of any private landowner: *Provided*, That ~~lands not owned by landowners described in subsection (c)(2) shall not be~~ included in the agreement unless the Secretary, or the State, determines that the purposes of the program will be promoted by their inclusion.

P.L. 100-241 replaces
this language with
"no lands shall"

(2) If a private landowner consents to the inclusion in an agreement of the stipulations provided in subsections (b)(1), (b)(2), (b)(4), (b)(5), and (b)(7), and if such owner does not insist on any additional terms which are unacceptable to the Secretary or the State, as appropriate, the owner shall be entitled to enter into an agreement pursuant to this section. If an agreement is not executed within one hundred and twenty days of the date on which a private landowner communicates in writing his consent to the stipulations referred to in the preceding sentence, the appropriate Secretary or State agency head shall execute an agreement. Upon such execution, the private owner shall receive the benefits provided in subsection (c) hereof.

(3) No agreement under this section shall be construed as affecting any land, or any right or interest in land, of any owner not a party to such agreement.

(b) **TERMS OF AGREEMENT.**—Each agreement referred to in subsection (a) shall have an initial term of ten years, with provisions, if any, for renewal for additional periods of five years. Such agreement shall contain the following terms:

43 USC 1613.

(1) The landowner shall not alienate, transfer, assign, mortgage, or pledge the lands subject to the agreement except as provided in section 14(c) of the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act, or permit development or improvement on such lands except as provided in the agreement. For the purposes of this section only, each agreement entered into with a landowner described in

subsection (c)(2) shall constitute a restriction against alienation imposed by the United States upon the lands subject to the agreement.

(2) Lands subject to the agreement shall be managed by the owner in a manner compatible with the management plan, if any, for the adjoining Federal or State lands, and with the requirements of this subsection. If lands subject to the agreement do not adjoin either Federal or State lands, they shall be managed in a manner compatible with the management plan, if any, of Federal or State lands which would be directly affected by the use of such private lands. If no such plan has been adopted, or if the use of such private lands would not directly affect either Federal or State lands, the owner shall manage such lands in accordance with the provisions in paragraph (1) of this subsection. Except as provided in (3) of this subsection, nothing in this section or the management plan of any Federal or State agency shall be construed to require a private landowner to grant public access on or across his lands.

Land
management.

(3) If the surface landowner so consents, such lands may be made available for local or other recreational use: *Provided*, That the refusal of a private landowner to permit the uses referred to in this subsection shall not be grounds for the refusal of the Secretary or the State to enter into an agreement with the landowner under this section.

(4) Appropriate Federal and/or State agency heads shall have reasonable access to such privately owned land for purposes relating to the administration of the adjoining Federal or State lands, and to carry out their obligations under the agreement.

(5) Reasonable access to such land by officers of the State shall be permitted for purposes of conserving fish and wildlife.

(6) Those services or other consideration which the appropriate Secretary or the State shall provide to the owner pursuant to subsection (c)(1) shall be set forth.

(7) All or part of the lands subject to the agreement may be withdrawn from the Alaska land bank program not earlier than ninety days after the landowner—

Program
withdrawal.

(A) submits written notice thereof to the other parties which are signatory to the agreement; and

(B) pays all Federal, State and local property taxes and assessments which, during the particular term then in effect, would have been incurred except for the agreement, together with interest on such taxes and assessments in an amount to be determined at the highest rate of interest charged with respect to delinquent property taxes by the Federal, State or local taxing authority, if any.

(8) The agreement may contain such additional terms, which are consistent with the provisions of this section, as seem desirable to the parties entering into the agreement: *Provided*, That the refusal of the landowner to agree to any additional terms shall not be grounds for the refusal of the Secretary or the State to enter into an agreement with the landowner under this section.

P. L. 100-241 deletes
(c), (d), and (e) and
replaces with new
language

~~(c) BENEFITS TO PRIVATE LANDOWNERS.—So long as the landowner is in compliance with the agreement, he shall, as to lands encompassed by the agreement, be entitled to the benefits set forth below:~~

~~(1) In addition to any requirement of applicable law, the appropriate Secretary is authorized to provide technical and other assistance with respect to fire control, trespass control,~~

resource and land use planning, the management of fish and wildlife, and the protection, maintenance, and enhancement of any special values of the land subject to the agreement, all with or without reimbursement as agreed upon by the parties.

43 USC 1601
note.

(2) As to Native Corporations and all other persons or groups that have received or will receive lands or interests therein pursuant to the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act or sections 901 and 902 of this title, immunity from—

(A) adverse possession;

Ante, p. 2434.

(B) real property taxes and assessments by the United States, the State, or any political subdivision of the State: *Provided*, That such immunity shall cease if the lands involved are leased or developed, as such terms are used in section 21(d) of the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act;

Publication in
Federal
Register.

(C) judgment in any action at law or equity to recover sums owed or penalties incurred by any Native Corporation or Native Group or any officer, director, or stockholder of any such Corporation or Group. On or before January 31 of each year beginning the fourth year after the date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary shall publish in the Federal Register and in at least three newspapers of general circulation in the State the percentage of conveyed land entitlement which each Native Corporation or Group has elected to include in the Alaska Land Bank Program as of the end of the preceding year.

P.L. 105-333 amends
ANILCA Sec 907(d)
that was adopted in
P.L. 100-241 (which
replaced the original 907(d))

(3) If the State enacts laws of general applicability which are consistent with this section and which offer any or all of the benefits provided in subsection (c)(2) hereof, as to private landowners who enter into an agreement referred to in subsection (a) to which agreement the State is a party, such laws, unless and until repealed, shall supersede the relevant subparagraph of subsection (c)(2) and shall govern the grant of the benefit so provided: *Provided*, That the enactment of such State laws shall not be construed as repealing, modifying, or otherwise affecting the applicability of the immunity from Federal real property taxes and assessments provided in subsection (c)(2)(B) or the immunity from judgments in any Federal action at law or equity provided in subsections (c)(2)(C).

(4)(A) Except as provided in subsection (c)(2), nothing in this section shall be construed as affecting the civil or criminal jurisdiction of the State of Alaska.

(B) Privately owned lands included in the Alaska Land Bank Program shall be subject to condemnation for public purposes in accordance with the provisions of this Act and other applicable law.

43 USC 1601
note.

(d) INTERIM GRANT OF BENEFITS.—Notwithstanding any other provision of this section, unless the landowner decides otherwise, the benefits specified in subsection (c)(2) shall apply to lands conveyed pursuant to the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act, or sections 901 and 902 of this title for a period of three years from the date of conveyance or the date of enactment of this Act, whichever is later: *Provided*, That this subsection shall not apply to any lands which on the date of enactment of this Act are the subject of a mortgage, pledge or other encumbrance.

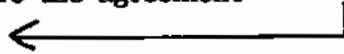
43 USC 1620.

(e) REVENUE-SHARING, FIRE PROTECTION, ETC.—The provisions of section 21(e) of the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act shall apply to all lands which are subject to an agreement under this section so long as the parties to the agreement are in compliance therewith.

Deleted by P.L. 100-241 and replaced with new (c), (d), and (e)

(f) ~~EXISTING CONTRACTS.—Nothing in this section shall be construed as impairing, or otherwise affecting in any manner, any contract or other obligation which was entered into prior to the enactment of this Act or which (1) applies to any land which is subject to an agreement, and (2) was entered into before the agreement becomes effective.~~

P.L. 100-241 adds a new subsection (g) and retains (f).



PROTECTION OF NATIVE LANDS IN CONTINGENCY AREAS UNDER TIMBER SALES

SEC. 908. Section 15 of the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act is amended by inserting "(a)" after "Sec. 15." and by adding at the end of such section the following new subsection:

43 USC 1614.

"(b) No land conveyed to a Native Corporation pursuant to this Act or by operation of the Alaska National Interest Lands Conservation Act which is within a contingency area designated in a timber sale contract let by the United States shall thereafter be subject to such contract or to entry or timbering by the contractor. Until a Native Corporation has received conveyances to all of the land to which it is entitled to receive under the appropriate section or subsection of this Act, for which the land was withdrawn or selected, no land in such a contingency area that has been withdrawn and selected, or selected, by such Corporation under this Act shall be entered by the timber contractor and no timber shall be cut thereon, except by agreement with such Corporation. For purposes of this subsection, the term 'contingency area' means any area specified in a timber sale contract as an area from which the timber contractor may harvest timber if the volume of timber specified in the contract cannot be obtained from one or more areas definitely designated for timbering in the contract."

Ante, p. 2371.

"Contingency area."

USE OF PROTRACTION DIAGRAMS

Sec. 909. With the agreement of the party to whom a patent is to be issued under this title, or the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act, the Secretary, in his discretion, may base such patent on protraction diagrams in lieu of field surveys. Any person or corporation receiving a patent under this title or the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act on the basis of a protraction diagram shall receive any gain or bear any loss of acreage due to errors, if any, in such protraction diagram.

43 USC 1637.
43 USC 1601
note.

NATIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY ACT

Sec. 910. The National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (83 Stat. 852) shall not be construed, in whole or in part, as requiring the preparation or submission of an environmental impact statement for withdrawals, conveyances, regulations, orders, easement determinations, or other actions which lead to the issuance of conveyances to Natives or Native Corporations, pursuant to the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act, or this Act. Nothing in this section shall be construed as affirming or denying the validity of any withdrawals by the Secretary under section 14(h)(3) of the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act.

43 USC 1638.
42 USC 4321
note.

43 USC 1613.

TECHNICAL AMENDMENT TO PUBLIC LAW 94-204

Sec. 911. Section 15(a) of the Act of January 2, 1976 (Public Law 94-204, 89 Stat. 1154-1155), is amended—

43 USC 1611
note.

(1) by striking out the description beginning with "Township 36 south, range 52 west;" and all that follows through "Township

41 south, range 53 west, sections 1, 2, 11, 12, 13 S. M., Alaska, notwithstanding;" and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

"Township 36 south, range 52 west, all;

"Township 37 south, range 51 west, all;

"Township 37 south, range 52 west, all;

"Township 37 south, range 53 west, sections 1 through 4, 9 through 16, 21 through 24, and the north half of sections 25 through 28;

"Township 38 south, range 51 west, sections 1 through 5, 9, 10, 12, 13, 18, 24, and 25;

"Township 38 south, range 52 west, sections 1 through 35;

"Township 38 south, range 53 west, sections 1, 12, 18, 24, 25, and 26;

"Township 39 south, range 51 west, sections 1, 6, 7, 16 through 21, 28 through 33, and 36;

"Township 39 south, range 52 west, sections 1, 2, 11 through 15, and 22 through 24;

"Township 39 south, range 53 west, sections 33 through 36, and the south half of section 26;

"Township 40 south, range 51 west, sections 2 and 6;

"Township 40 south, range 52 west, sections 6 through 10, 15 through 21, and 27 through 36;

"Township 40 south, range 53 west, sections 1 through 19, 21 through 28, and 34 through 36;

"Township 40 south, range 54 west, sections 1 through 34;

"Township 41 south, range 52 west, sections 7, 8, 9, 16, 17, and 18;

"Township 41 south, range 53 west, sections 1, 4, 5, 8, 9, 11, 12, and 16;

"Township 41 south, range 54 west, section 6, S. M., Alaska;"; and

(2) by striking out "The" in the undesignated paragraph immediately following such description and inserting in lieu thereof "Notwithstanding the".

TITLE X—FEDERAL NORTH SLOPE LANDS STUDIES, OIL AND GAS LEASING PROGRAM AND MINERAL ASSESSMENTS

OVERALL STUDY PROGRAM

16 USC 3141.

SEC. 1001. (a) The Secretary shall initiate and carry out a study of all Federal lands (other than submerged lands on the Outer Continental Shelf) in Alaska north of 68 degrees north latitude and east of the western boundary of the National Petroleum Reserve—Alaska, other than lands included in the National Petroleum Reserve—Alaska and in conservation system units established by this Act.

(b) The study shall utilize a systematic interdisciplinary approach to—

(1) assess the potential oil and gas resources of these lands and make recommendations concerning future use and management of those resources including an evaluation of alternative transportation routes needed for oil and gas development;

(2) review the wilderness characteristics, and make recommendations for wilderness designation, of these lands; and

(3) study, and make recommendations for protection of, the wildlife resources of these lands.

(c) After completion of the study, the Secretary shall make findings on—

- (1) the potential oil and gas resources of these lands;
- (2) the impact of oil and gas development on the wildlife resources on these lands, particularly the Arctic and Porcupine caribou herds and the polar bear;
- (3) the national need for development of the oil and gas resources of all or any portion of these lands;
- (4) the national interest in preservation of the wilderness characteristics of these lands; and
- (5) the national interest in protection of the wildlife resources of these lands.

(d) In the course of the study, the Secretary shall consult with the Secretary of Energy and other Federal agencies, the State of Alaska, Native Village and Regional Corporations, the North Slope Borough, the Alaska Land Use Council and the Government of Canada. The Secretary shall provide an opportunity for public review and comment on a draft study and proposed findings prior to their final approval.

Public review and comment.

(e) The Secretary shall submit the study and his findings to the President and the Congress no later than eight years after the date of enactment of this Act. The Secretary shall submit annual reports to Congress on the progress in carrying out this title.

Report to President and Congress.

(f) Nothing in this title shall be construed as impeding, delaying, or otherwise affecting the selection and conveyance of land to the State pursuant to the Alaska Statehood Act, or any other Federal law referred to in section 102(3)(A) of this Act, and to the Natives pursuant to the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act and this Act.

48 USC note prec. 21.

43 USC 1601 note.

ARCTIC NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE COASTAL PLAIN RESOURCE ASSESSMENT

SEC. 1002. (a) PURPOSE.—The purpose of this section is to provide for a comprehensive and continuing inventory and assessment of the fish and wildlife resources of the coastal plain of the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge; an analysis of the impacts of oil and gas exploration, development, and production, and to authorize exploratory activity within the coastal plain in a manner that avoids significant adverse effects on the fish and wildlife and other resources.

16 USC 3142.

(b) DEFINITIONS.—As used in this section—

(1) The term “coastal plain” means that area identified as such in the map entitled “Arctic National Wildlife Refuge”, dated August 1980.

(2) The term “exploratory activity” means surface geological exploration or seismic exploration, or both, for oil and gas within the coastal plain.

(c) BASELINE STUDY.—The Secretary, in consultation with the Governor of the State, Native Village and Regional Corporations, and the North Slope Borough within the study area and interested persons, shall conduct a continuing study of the fish and wildlife (with special emphasis on caribou, wolves, wolverines, grizzly bears, migratory waterfowl, musk oxen, and polar bears) of the coastal plain and their habitat. In conducting the study, the Secretary shall—

(A) assess the size, range, and distribution of the populations of the fish and wildlife;

(B) determine the extent, location and carrying capacity of the habitats of the fish and wildlife;

(C) assess the impacts of human activities and natural processes on the fish and wildlife and their habitats;

(D) analyze the potential impacts of oil and gas exploration, development, and production on such wildlife and habitats; and

(E) analyze the potential effects of such activities on the culture and lifestyle (including subsistence) of affected Native and other people.

Results and
revisions,
publication.

Within eighteen months after the enactment date of this Act, the Secretary shall publish the results of the study as of that date and shall thereafter publish such revisions thereto as are appropriate as new information is obtained.

(d) **GUIDELINES.**—(1) Within two years after the enactment date of this Act, the Secretary shall by regulation establish initial guidelines governing the carrying out of exploratory activities. The guidelines shall be based upon the results of the study required under subsection (c) and such other information as may be available to the Secretary. The guidelines shall include such prohibitions, restrictions, and conditions on the carrying out of exploratory activities as the Secretary deems necessary or appropriate to ensure that exploratory activities do not significantly adversely affect the fish and wildlife, their habitats, or the environment, including, but not limited to—

(A) a prohibition on the carrying out of exploratory activity during caribou calving and immediate post-calving seasons or during any other period in which human activity may have adverse effects;

(B) temporary or permanent closing of appropriate areas to such activity;

(C) specification of the support facilities, equipment and related manpower that is appropriate in connection with exploratory activity; and

(D) requirements that exploratory activities be coordinated in such a manner as to avoid unnecessary duplication.

(2) The initial guidelines prescribed by the Secretary to implement this subsection shall be accompanied by an environmental impact statement on exploratory activities. The initial guidelines shall thereafter be revised to reflect changes made in the baseline study and other appropriate information made available to the Secretary.

(e) **EXPLORATION PLANS.**—(1) After the initial guidelines are prescribed under subsection (d), any person including the United States Geological Survey may submit one or more plans for exploratory activity (hereinafter in this section referred to as "exploration plans") to the Secretary for approval. An exploration plan must set forth such information as the Secretary may require in order to determine whether the plan is consistent with the guidelines, including, but not limited to—

(A) a description and schedule of the exploratory activity proposed to be undertaken;

(B) a description of the equipment, facilities, and related manpower that would be used in carrying out the activity;

(C) the area in which the activity would be undertaken; and

(D) a statement of the anticipated effects that the activity may have on fish and wildlife, their habitats and the environment.

(2) Upon receiving any exploration plan for approval, the Secretary shall promptly publish notice of the application and the text of the plan in the Federal Register and newspapers of general circulation in the State. The Secretary shall determine, within one hundred and twenty days after any plan is submitted for approval, if the plan is consistent with the guidelines established under subsection (d). If the

Publication in
Federal
Register.

Secretary determines that the plan is so consistent, he shall approve the plan: except that no plan shall be approved during the two-year period following the date of enactment of this Act. Before making the determination, the Secretary shall hold at least one public hearing in the State for purposes of receiving the comments and views of the public on the plan. The Secretary shall not approve of any plan submitted by the United States Geological Survey unless he determines that (1) no other person has submitted a plan for the area involved which meets established guidelines and (2) the information which would be obtained is needed to make an adequate report under subsection (h). The Secretary, as a condition of approval of any plan under this section—

Public hearing.

(A) may require that such modifications be made to the plan as he considers necessary and appropriate to make it consistent with the guidelines;

(B) shall require that all data and information (including processed, analyzed and interpreted information) obtained as a result of carrying out the plan shall be submitted to the Secretary; and

(C) shall make such data and information available to the public except that any processed, analyzed and interpreted data or information shall be held confidential by the Secretary for a period of not less than two years following any lease sale including the area from which the information was obtained.

Approval condition.

(f) MODIFICATION TO EXPLORATION PLANS.—If at any time while exploratory activity is being carried out under an exploration plan approved under subsection (e), the Secretary, on the basis of information available to him, determines that continuation of further activities under the plan or permit will significantly adversely affect fish or wildlife, their habitat, or the environment, the Secretary may suspend the carrying out of activities under the plan or permit for such time, make such modifications to the plan or to the terms and conditions of the permit (or both suspend and so modify) as he determines necessary and appropriate.

P.L. 97-394 inserted
Language before period

(g) CIVIL PENALTIES.—(1) Any person who is found by the Secretary, after notice and an opportunity for a hearing in accordance with section 554 of title 5, United States Code, to have violated any provision of a plan approved under subsection (e) or any term or condition of a permit issued under subsection (f), or to have committed any act prohibited under subsection (d) shall be liable to the United States for a civil penalty. The amount of the civil penalty shall not exceed \$10,000 for each violation. Each day of a continuing violation shall constitute a separate offense. The amount of such civil penalty shall be assessed by the Secretary by written notice. In determining the amount of such penalty, the Secretary shall take into account the nature, circumstances, extent, and gravity of the prohibited act committed, and, with respect to the violator, the history of any prior offenses, his demonstrated good faith in attempting to achieve timely compliance after being cited for the violation, and such other matters as justice may require.

(2) Any person against whom a civil penalty is assessed under paragraph (1) may obtain review thereof in the appropriate district court of the United States by filing a notice of appeal in such court within thirty days from the date of such order and by simultaneously sending a copy of such notice by certified mail to the Secretary. The Secretary shall promptly file in such court a certified copy of the record upon which such violation was found or such penalty imposed, as provided in section 2112 of title 28, United States Code. The

Review.

findings and order of the Secretary shall be set aside by such court if they are not found to be supported by substantial evidence, as provided in section 706(2)(E) of title 5, United States Code.

(3) If any person fails to pay an assessment of a civil penalty against him under paragraph (1) after it has become final, or after the appropriate court has entered final judgment in favor of the Secretary, the Secretary shall refer the matter to the Attorney General of the United States, who shall recover the amount assessed in any appropriate district court of the United States. In such action, the validity and appropriateness of the final order imposing the civil penalty shall not be subject to review.

(4) The Secretary may compromise, modify, or remit, with or without conditions, any civil penalty which is subject to imposition or which has been imposed under this subsection unless the matter is pending in court for judicial review or recovery of assessment.

(h) **REPORT TO CONGRESS.**—Not earlier than five years after the enactment date of this Act and not later than five years and nine months after such date, the Secretary shall prepare and submit to Congress a report containing—

(1) the identification by means other than drilling of exploratory wells of those areas within the coastal plain that have oil and gas production potential and estimate of the volume of the oil and gas concerned;

(2) the description of the fish and wildlife, their habitats, and other resources that are within the areas identified under paragraph (1);

(3) an evaluation of the adverse effects that the carrying out of further exploration for, and the development and production of, oil and gas within such areas will have on the resources referred to in paragraph (2);

(4) a description of how such oil and gas, if produced within such area, may be transported to processing facilities;

(5) an evaluation of how such oil and gas relates to the national need for additional domestic sources of oil and gas; and

(6) the recommendations of the Secretary with respect to whether further exploration for, and the development and production of, oil and gas within the coastal plain should be permitted and, if so, what additional legal authority is necessary to ensure that the adverse effects of such activities on fish and wildlife, their habitats, and other resources are avoided or minimized.

(i) **EFFECT OF OTHER LAWS.**—Until otherwise provided for in law enacted after the enactment date of this Act, all public lands within the coastal plain are withdrawn from all forms of entry or appropriation under the mining laws, and from operation of the mineral leasing laws, of the United States.

PROHIBITION ON DEVELOPMENT

16 USC 3143.

SEC. 1003. Production of oil and gas from the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge is prohibited and no leasing or other development leading to production of oil and gas from the range shall be undertaken until authorized by an Act of Congress.

WILDERNESS PORTION OF STUDY

P.L. 104-333 fulfills
the requirements for this study
Report to
President.
16 USC 3144.

SEC. 1004. (a) As part of the study, the Secretary shall review the suitability or nonsuitability for preservation as wilderness of the

P.L. 111-11 designates the study area as part of BLM Nat'l Conservation System but retains ANILCA management provisions.

Federal lands described in section 1001 and report his findings to the President.

(b) The President shall advise the Senate and the House of Representatives of his recommendations with respect to the designation of the area or any part thereof as wilderness together with a map thereof and a definition of its boundaries.

Presidential recommendations to Congress.

(c) Subject to valid existing rights and the provisions of section 1002 of this Act, the wilderness study area designated by this section shall, until Congress determines otherwise, be administered by the Secretary so as to maintain presently existing wilderness character and potential for inclusion in the National Wilderness Preservation System. Already established uses may be permitted to continue, subject to such restrictions as the Secretary deems desirable, in the manner and degree in which the same were being conducted on the date of enactment of this Act.

← P.L. 104-333 completes this study by adding land to Nastak Preserve, revising the Gates of the Arctic Wilderness, and adding to Nastak Wilderness

P.L. 101-380 renames Sec. 1005 as follows:

WILDLIFE RESOURCES PORTION OF STUDY AND IMPACT OF POTENTIAL OIL

(a) SPILLS IN THE ARCTIC OCEAN

SEC. 1005. The Secretary shall work closely with the State of Alaska and Native Village and Regional Corporations in evaluating the impact of oil and gas exploration, development, production, and transportation and other human activities on the wildlife resources of these lands, including impacts on the Arctic and Porcupine caribou herds, polar bear, muskox, grizzly bear, wolf, wolverine, seabirds, shore birds, and migratory waterfowl. In addition the Secretary shall consult with the appropriate agencies of the Government of Canada in evaluating such impacts particularly with respect to the Porcupine caribou herd.

16 USC 3145.

P.L. 101-380 inserts (a) and adds (b)(1) and (b)(2), which call for studies, contingency plans, and treaty negotiations with Canadian Government, among other provisions here:

SEC. 1005 (b).

TRANSPORTATION ALTERNATIVES PORTION OF STUDY

SEC. 1006. In studying oil and gas alternative transportation systems, the Secretary shall consult with the Secretary of Transportation and shall consider—

16 USC 3146.

- (1) the extent to which environmentally and economically feasible alternative routes could be established;
- (2) the prospective oil and gas production potential of this area of Alaska for each alternative transportation route; and
- (3) the environmental and economic costs and other values associated with such alternative routes.

ARCTIC RESEARCH STUDY

SEC. 1007. (a) The Secretary, the Secretary of Defense, and the Secretary of Energy shall initiate and carry out a study of the mission, facilities and administration of the Naval Arctic Research Laboratory (NARL), at Point Barrow, Alaska. The study shall review the historical responsibilities carried out at NARL and their contribution to applied and basic Arctic research. The study shall specifically address and the Secretary shall make recommendations on the need for redirecting the United States Arctic research policy and the role of the NARL facilities in developing and implementing that policy.

16 USC 3147.

- (b) The Secretaries shall assess the future use of NARL in—
- (1) developing relevant scientific information on the Arctic environment and utilizing applied research to (A) deal with the unique problems the Arctic presents in providing public services; (B) minimize the impact of resource development on the environ-

Naval Arctic Research Laboratory, assessment.

ment and the culture of the Native people; and (C) promote international cooperation among the Nations which share responsibility for the Arctic environment;

(2) assessing the impact of oil and gas exploration, development, and transportation on the Arctic environment, including impact on fish, marine and land mammals, and migratory waterfowl;

(3) developing advanced design technologies, operational practices, and transportation systems to improve the environmental safety and efficiency of oil and gas exploration and production in the Arctic, including offshore activities;

(4) enlarging the body of knowledge on Arctic ice conditions and developing practical and efficient means of dealing with potential oil spills and other hazards associated with resource development in Alaska's Arctic; and

(5) developing a comprehensive Arctic policy for the Federal Government that will accommodate the need for development and use of Arctic resources with appropriate recognition and consideration given to the unique nature of the Arctic environment and the needs of its Native residents.

(c) After completion of the study, the Secretaries shall make recommendations on—

(1) changes in the mission and management of NARL necessary to accomplish the research and policy goals addressed in the study;

(2) the appropriate Federal agency or agencies that should have primary responsibility for management of NARL;

(3) changes in the organizational structure of NARL that would allow greater involvement by State and private organizations in the use, management and/or funding of NARL; and

(4) the appropriate level of Federal funding for scientific and technological research on the Arctic environment and its uses.

Consultation.

(d) In the course of the study, the Secretaries shall consult with representatives of the Department of Navy, the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, the National Science Foundation, the Smithsonian Institution, the State of Alaska, local governments, representatives of public and private institutions conducting Arctic research, and Native Village and Regional Corporations in the areas now affected by the activities of NARL. The Secretaries shall provide an opportunity for public review and comment on the draft report and proposed recommendations prior to final approval, and shall include any recommendations of the local community in the final study.

Public review and comment.

Study submittal to Congress.

(e) The Secretaries shall submit the study and their recommendations to the Congress no later than one year after the date of enactment of this Act.

(f) Pending submission of the study to the Congress, the President is directed to continue the operation of NARL at the level of funding provided for in fiscal year 1979.

OIL AND GAS LEASING PROGRAM FOR NON-NORTH SLOPE FEDERAL LANDS

16 USC 3148.

30 USC 181 note.

SEC. 1008. (a) The Secretary shall establish, pursuant to the Mineral Leasing Act of 1920, as amended, an oil and gas leasing program on the Federal lands of Alaska not subject to the study required by section 1001 of this Act, other than lands included in the National Petroleum Reserve—Alaska. Such program shall not be

undertaken by the Secretary on those lands where applicable law prohibits such leasing or on those units of the National Wildlife Refuge System where the Secretary determines, after having considered the national interest in producing oil and gas from such lands, that the exploration for and development of oil or gas would be incompatible with the purpose for which such unit was established.

Study.

(b)(1)(A) In such areas as the Secretary deems favorable for the discovery of oil or gas, he shall conduct a study, or studies, or collect and analyze information obtained by permittees authorized to conduct studies under this section, of the oil and gas potential of such lands and those environmental characteristics and wildlife resources which would be affected by the exploration for and development of such oil and gas.

(B) The Secretary is authorized to issue permits for study, including geological, geophysical, and other assessment activities, if such activities can be conducted in a manner which is consistent with the purposes for which each affected area is managed under applicable law.

Permits.

(2) The Secretary shall consult with the Secretary of Energy regarding the national interest involved in exploring for and developing oil and gas from such lands and shall seek the views of the Governor of the State of Alaska, Alaskan local governments, Native Regional and Village Corporations, the Alaska Land Use Council, representatives of the oil and gas industry, conservation groups, and other interested groups and individuals in determining which land should be studied and/or leased for the exploration and development of oil and gas.

Consultation.

(3) The Secretary shall encourage the State to undertake similar studies on lands associated, either through geological or other land values or because of possible transportation needs, with Federal lands. The Secretary shall integrate these studies, to the maximum extent practicable, with studies on Federal lands so that needs for cooperation between the Federal Government and the State of Alaska in managing energy and other natural resources, including fish and wildlife, can be established early in the program.

(4) The Secretary shall report to the Congress by October 1, 1981, and yearly thereafter, on his efforts pursuant to this Act regarding the leasing of, and exploration and development activities on, such lands.

Report to Congress.

~~(c) At such time as the studies requested in subsection (b)(4) are completed by the Secretary, or at such time as the Secretary determines that sufficient interest has been indicated in exploring an area for oil or gas, and leasing should be commenced, he shall identify those areas which he determines to be favorable for the discovery of oil or gas (hereinafter referred to as "favorable petroleum geological provinces"). In making such determination, the Secretary shall utilize all information obtained in studies conducted under subsection (b) of this section as well as any other information he may develop or require by regulation to be transmitted.~~

P.L. 100-203 deletes subsections (c) and (e) and 2nd sentence of (d)

(d) Pursuant to the Mineral Leasing Act of 1920, as amended, the Secretary is authorized to issue leases, on the Federal lands described in this section, under such terms and conditions as he may, by regulation, prescribe. ~~Areas which are determined by the Secretary to be within favorable petroleum geological provinces shall be leased only by competitive bidding.~~

30 USC 181 note.

~~(e) At such time as paying quantities of oil or gas are discovered under a noncompetitive lease issued pursuant to the Mineral Leasing Act of 1920, the Secretary shall suspend all further noncompetitive~~

~~leasing in the area and shall determine the favorable petroleum geological province in proximity to such discovery. All further leasing in such area shall be in accordance with the requirements of subsection (d) of this section.~~

Exploration
plan.

(f) Prior to any exploration activities on a lease issued pursuant to this section, the Secretary shall require the lessee to describe exploration activities in an exploration plan. He shall approve such plan if such activities can be conducted in conformity with such requirements as may be made by the Secretary for the protection and use of the land for the purpose for which it is managed under applicable law.

(g) Subsequent to a discovery of oil or gas in paying quantities, and prior to developing and producing such oil and gas, the Secretary shall require the lessee to describe development and production activities in a development and production plan. He shall approve such plan if such activities may be conducted in conformity with such requirements as may be made by the Secretary for the protection and use of the land for the purpose for which it is managed under applicable law.

(h) The Secretary shall monitor the performance of the lessee and, if he determines that due to significant changes in circumstances regarding that operation, including environmental or economic changes, new requirements are needed, he may require a revised development and production plan.

Operation
suspension and
cancellation.

(i) If the Secretary determines that immediate and irreparable damage will result from continuation in force of a lease, that the threat will not disappear and that the advantages of cancellation outweigh the advantages of continuation in force of a lease, he shall suspend operations for up to five years. If such a threat persists beyond such five-year suspension period, he shall cancel a lease and provide compensation to the lease under such terms as the Secretary establishes, by regulation, to be appropriate.

OIL AND GAS LEASE APPLICATIONS

16 USC 3149.

SEC. 1009. (a) Notwithstanding any other provision of law or regulation, whenever the Secretary receives an application for an oil and gas lease pursuant to the Mineral Leasing Act of 1920 for lands in Alaska within a unit of the National Wildlife Refuge System which are not also part of the National Wilderness Preservation System he shall, in addition to any other requirements of applicable law, follow the procedures set forth in this section.

30 USC 181 note.

(b) Any decision to issue or not to issue a lease shall be accompanied by a statement setting forth the reasons for the decision, including the reasons why oil and gas leasing would be compatible or incompatible with the purposes of the refuge.

42 USC 4332.

(c) If the Secretary determines that the requirements of section 102(2)(C) of the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 do not apply to his decision, the Secretary shall render his decision within six months after receipt of a lease application. If such requirements are applicable to the Secretary's decision, he shall render his decision within three months after publication of the final environmental impact statement.

ALASKA MINERAL RESOURCE ASSESSMENT PROGRAM

16 USC 3150.

SEC. 1010. (a) MINERAL ASSESSMENTS.—The Secretary shall, to the full extent of his authority, assess the oil, gas, and other mineral

potential on all public lands in the State of Alaska in order to expand the data base with respect to the mineral potential of such lands. The mineral assessment program may include, but shall not be limited to, techniques such as side-looking radar imagery and, on public lands other than such lands within the national park system, core and test drilling for geologic information, notwithstanding any restriction on such drilling under the Wilderness Act. For purposes of this Act, core and test drilling means the extraction by drilling of subsurface geologic samples in order to assess the metalliferous or other mineral values of geologic terrain, but shall not be construed as including exploratory drilling of oil and gas test wells. To the maximum extent practicable, the Secretary shall consult and exchange information with the State of Alaska regarding the responsibilities of the Secretary under this section and similar programs undertaken by the State. In order to carry out mineral assessments authorized under this or any other law, including but not limited to the National Uranium Resource Evaluation program, the Secretary shall allow for access by air for assessment activities permitted in this subsection to all public lands involved in such study. He shall consult with the Secretary of Energy and heads of other Federal agencies carrying out such programs, to determine such reasonable requirements as may be necessary to protect the resources of such area, including fish and wildlife. Such requirements may provide that access will not occur during nesting, calving, spawning or such other times as fish and wildlife in the specific area may be especially vulnerable to such activities. The Secretary is authorized to enter into contracts with public or private entities to carry out all or any portion of the mineral assessment program. This section shall not apply to the lands described in section 1001 of this Act.

16 USC 1131
note.

Consultation.

Contracts.

(b) REGULATIONS.—Activities carried out in conservation system units under subsection (a) shall be subject to regulations promulgated by the Secretary. Such regulations shall ensure that such activities are carried out in an environmentally sound manner—

(1) which does not result in lasting environmental impacts which appreciably alter the natural character of the units or biological or ecological systems in the units; and

(2) which is compatible with the purposes for which such units are established.

PRESIDENTIAL TRANSMITTAL

SEC. 1011. On or before October 1, 1982, and annually thereafter, the President shall transmit to the Congress all pertinent public information relating to minerals in Alaska gathered by the United States Geological Surveys, Bureau of Mines, and any other Federal agency.

Mineral
information,
transmittal to
Congress.
16 USC 3151.

TITLE XI—TRANSPORTATION AND UTILITY SYSTEMS IN AND ACROSS, AND ACCESS INTO, CONSERVATION SYSTEM UNITS

FINDINGS

SEC. 1101. Congress finds that—

16 USC 3161.

(a) Alaska's transportation and utility network is largely undeveloped and the future needs for transportation and utility systems in Alaska would best be identified and provided for through an orderly,

continuous decisionmaking process involving the State and Federal Governments and the public;

(b) the existing authorities to approve or disapprove applications for transportation and utility systems through public lands in Alaska are diverse, dissimilar, and, in some cases, absent; and

(c) to minimize the adverse impacts of siting transportation and utility systems within units established or expanded by this Act and to insure the effectiveness of the decisionmaking process, a single comprehensive statutory authority for the approval or disapproval of applications for such systems must be provided in this Act.

DEFINITIONS

16 USC 3162.

SEC. 1102. For purposes of this title—

(1) The term “applicable law” means any law of general applicability (other than this title) under which any Federal department or agency has jurisdiction to grant any authorization (including but not limited to, any right-of-way, permit, license, lease, or certificate) without which a transportation or utility system cannot, in whole or in part, be established or operated.

(2) The term “applicant” means any public or private person, including, but not limited to, any Federal department or agency.

(3) The term “Federal agency” means any Federal department or agency that has any function or duty under applicable law.

(4)(A) The term “transportation or utility system” means any type of system described in subparagraph (B) if any portion of the route of the system will be within any conservation system unit, national recreation area, or national conservation area in the State (and the system is not one that the department or agency having jurisdiction over the unit or area is establishing incident to its management of the unit or area).

(B) The types of systems to which subparagraph (A) applies are as follows:

(i) Canals, ditches, flumes, laterals, pipes, pipelines, tunnels, and other systems for the transportation of water.

(ii) Pipelines and other systems for the transportation of liquids other than water, including oil, natural gas, synthetic liquid and gaseous fuels, and any refined product produced therefrom.

(iii) Pipelines, slurry and emulsion systems and conveyor belts for the transportation of solid materials.

(iv) Systems for the transmission and distribution of electric energy.

(v) Systems for transmission or reception of radio, television, telephone, telegraph, and other electronic signals, and other means of communication.

(vi) Improved rights-of-way for snow machines, air cushion vehicles, and other all-terrain vehicles.

(vii) Roads, highways, railroads, tunnels, tramways, airports, landing strips, docks, and other systems of general transportation.

Any system described in this subparagraph includes such related structures and facilities (both temporary and permanent) along the route of the system as may be minimally necessary for the construction, operation, and maintenance of the system. Such related structures and facilities shall be described in the application required by section 1104, and shall be approved or disapproved in accordance with the procedures set forth in this title.

EFFECT OF TITLE

SEC. 1103. Except as specifically provided for in this title, applicable law shall apply with respect to the authorization and administration of transportation or utility systems. 16 USC 8163.

PROCEDURAL REQUIREMENTS

SEC. 1104. (a) IN GENERAL.—Notwithstanding any provision of applicable law, no action by any Federal agency under applicable law with respect to the approval or disapproval of the authorization, in whole or in part, of any transportation or utility system shall have any force or effect unless the provisions of this section are complied with. 16 USC 3164.

(b)(1) CONSOLIDATED APPLICATIONS.—Within one hundred and eighty days after the date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary, the Secretary of Agriculture, and the Secretary of Transportation, in consultation with the heads of other appropriate Federal agencies, shall jointly prescribe and publish a consolidated application form to be used for applying for the approval of each type of transportation or utility system. Each such application form shall be designed to elicit such information as may be necessary to meet the requirements of this title and the applicable law with respect to the type of system concerned.

(2) For purposes of this section, the heads of all appropriate Federal agencies, including the Secretary of Transportation, shall share decisionmaking responsibility in the case of any transportation or utility system described in section 1102(4)(B) (ii), (iii), or (vii); but with respect to any such system for which he does not have programmatic responsibility, the Secretary of Transportation shall provide to the other Federal agencies concerned such planning and other assistance as may be appropriate.

(c) FILING.—Each applicant for the approval of any transportation or utility system shall file on the same day an application with each appropriate Federal agency. The applicant shall utilize the consolidated form prescribed under subsection (b) for the type of transportation or utility system concerned.

(d) AGENCY NOTICE.—(1) Within sixty days after the receipt of an application filed pursuant to subsection (c), the head of each Federal agency with whom the application was filed shall inform the applicant in writing that, on its face—

(A) the application appears to contain the information required by this title and applicable law insofar as that agency is concerned; or

(B) the application does not contain such information.

(2) Any notice provided under paragraph (1)(B) shall specify what additional information the applicant must provide. If the applicant provides additional information, the head of the Federal agency must inform the applicant in writing, within thirty days after receipt of such information, whether the information is sufficient.

(e) ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT.—The draft of any environmental impact statement required under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 in connection with any application filed under this section shall be completed, within nine months from the date of filing, by the head of the Federal agency assigned lead responsibility for the statement. Any such statement shall be jointly prepared by all Federal agencies with which the application was filed under subsection (c). The final environmental impact statement shall be com-

42 USC 4321
note.

Publication in
Federal
Register.

48 USC 1734.

pleted within one year from the date of such filing. Such nine-month and one-year periods may be extended for good cause by the Federal agency head assigned lead responsibility for the preparation of such statement if he determines that additional time is necessary for such preparation, notifies the applicant in writing of such determination, and publishes notice of such determination, together with the reasons therefor, in the Federal Register. The provisions of section 304 of the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976 shall apply to each environmental impact statement under this subsection in the same manner as such provisions apply to applications relating to the public lands referred to in such section 304. The Federal agency assigned lead responsibility shall, in conjunction with such other Federal agencies before which the application is pending, hold public hearings in the District of Columbia and an appropriate location in the State on each draft joint environmental impact statement and the views expressed therein shall be considered by all Federal agencies concerned before publication of the final joint environmental impact statement.

(f) **OTHER VIEWS.**—During both the nine-month period, and the succeeding three-month period plus any extension thereof provided for in subsection (e), the heads of the Federal agencies concerned shall solicit and consider the views of other Federal departments and agencies, the Alaska Land Use Council, the State, affected units of local government in the State, and affected corporations formed pursuant to the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act, and, after public notice, shall receive and consider statements and recommendations regarding the application submitted by interested individuals and organizations.

(g) **AGENCY DECISION.**—(1) Within four months after the final environmental impact statement is published in accordance with subsection (e) with respect to any transportation or utility system, each Federal agency shall make a decision to approve or disapprove, in accordance with applicable law, each authorization that applies with respect to the system and that is within the jurisdiction of that agency.

(2) The head of each Federal agency, in making a decision referred to in paragraph (1), shall consider, and make detailed findings supported by substantial evidence, with respect to—

(A) the need for, and economic feasibility of, the transportation or utility system;

(B) alternative routes and modes of access, including a determination with respect to whether there is any economically feasible and prudent alternative to the routing of the system through or within a conservation system unit, national recreation area, or national conservation area and, if not, whether there are alternative routes or modes which would result in fewer or less severe adverse impacts upon the conservation system unit;

(C) the feasibility and impacts of including different transportation or utility systems in the same area;

(D) short- and long-term social, economic, and environmental impacts of national, State, or local significance, including impacts on fish and wildlife and their habitat, and on rural, traditional lifestyles;

(E) the impacts, if any, on the national security interests of the United States, that may result from approval or denial of the application for a transportation or utility system;

(F) any impacts that would affect the purposes for which the Federal unit or area concerned was established;

(G) measures which should be instituted to avoid or minimize negative impacts; and

(H) the short- and long-term public values which may be adversely affected by approval of the transportation or utility system versus the short- and long-term public benefits which may accrue from such approval.

STANDARDS FOR GRANTING CERTAIN AUTHORIZATIONS

SEC. 1105. In any case in which there is no applicable law with respect to a transportation or utility system, the head of the Federal agency concerned shall, within four months after the date of filing of any final Environmental Impact Statement, make recommendations, for purposes of section 1106(b), to grant such authorizations as may be necessary to establish such system, in whole or in part, within the conservation system unit concerned if he determines that—

(1) such system would be compatible with the purposes for which the unit was established; and

(2) there is no economically feasible and prudent alternative route for the system.

AGENCY, PRESIDENTIAL, AND CONGRESSIONAL ACTIONS

SEC. 1106. (a)(1) **AGENCY ACTION IN CASES OTHER THAN THOSE INVOLVING SECTION 1105 OR WILDERNESS AREAS.**—In the case of any application for the approval of any transportation or utility system to which section 1105 does not apply or that does not occupy, use, or traverse any area within the National Wilderness Preservation System, if, in compliance with section 1104—

(A) each Federal agency concerned decides to approve each authorization within its jurisdiction with respect to that system, then the system shall be deemed to be approved and each such agency shall promptly issue, in accordance with applicable law, such rights-of-way, permits, licenses, leases, certificates, or other authorizations as are necessary with respect to the establishment of the system; or

(B) one or more Federal agencies decide to disapprove any authorization within its jurisdiction with respect to that system, then the system shall be deemed to be disapproved and the applicant for the system may appeal the disapproval to the President.

(2) If an applicant appeals under paragraph (1)(B), the President, within four months after receiving the appeal, shall decide whether to approve or deny the application. The President shall approve the application if he finds, after consideration of the factors set forth in section 1104(g)(2), that such approval would be in the public interest and that (1) such system would be compatible with the purposes for which the unit was established; and (2) there is no economically feasible and prudent alternative route for the system. In making a decision, the President shall consider any environmental impact statement prepared pursuant to section 1104(e), comments of the public and Federal agencies received during the preparation of such statement, and the findings and recommendations, if any, of each Federal agency that rendered a decision with respect to the application. The President's decision to approve or deny the application shall be published in the Federal Register, together with a statement of the reasons for his determination.

16 USC 3165.

16 USC 3166.

Appeals,
Presidential
review.

Publication in
Federal
Register:

- (3) If the President approves an application under paragraph (2), each Federal agency concerned shall promptly issue, in accordance with applicable law, such rights-of-way, permits, licenses, leases, certificates, or other authorizations as are necessary with respect to the establishment of the system.
- Judicial review.** (4) If the President denies an application under paragraph (2), the applicant shall be deemed to have exhausted his administrative remedies and may file suit in any appropriate Federal court to challenge such decision.
- Presidential notification.** (b) **AGENCY ACTION IN CASES INVOLVING SECTION 1105 OR WILDERNESS AREAS.**—(1) In the case of any application for the approval of a transportation or utility system to which section 1105 applies or that proposes to occupy, use, or traverse any area within the National Wilderness Preservation System, each Federal agency concerned shall promptly submit to the President notification whether the agency tentatively approved or disapproved each authorization within its jurisdiction that applies with respect to the system. Such notification shall be accompanied by a statement of the reasons and findings supporting the agency position.
- Presidential determination and recommendation to Congress.** (2) Within four months after receiving all notification referred to in paragraph (1) and after considering such notifications, any environmental impact statement prepared pursuant to section 1104(e), and the comments of the public and Federal agencies received during the preparation of such statement, the President shall decide whether or not the application for the system concerned should be approved. If the President denies an application the applicant shall be deemed to have exhausted his administrative remedies, and may file suit in any appropriate Federal court to challenge such decision. If the President approves the application, he shall submit to Congress his recommendation for approval of the transportation or utility system covered, whereupon the Congress shall consider the application as provided in subsection (c). The President shall include with his recommendation to Congress—
- (A) the application which is the subject of his recommendation;
 - (B) a report setting forth in detail the relevant factual background and the reasons for his findings and recommendation;
 - (C) the joint environmental impact statement;
 - (D) a statement of the conditions and stipulations which would govern the use of the system if approved by the Congress.
- (c) **CONGRESSIONAL APPROVAL.**—(1) No application for any transportation or utility system with respect to which the President makes a recommendation for approval under subsection (b) shall be approved unless the Senate and House of Representatives approve a resolution described in paragraph (4) within the first period of one hundred and twenty calendar days of continuous session of the Congress beginning on the date after the date of receipt by the Senate and House of Representatives of such recommendation.
- (2) For purposes of this subsection—
- (A) continuity of session of the Congress is broken only by an adjournment sine die; and
 - (B) the days on which either House is not in session because of an adjournment of more than three days to a day certain are excluded in the computation of the one-hundred-and-twenty-day calendar period.
- (3) This subsection is enacted by the Congress—
- (A) as an exercise of the rulemaking power of each House of the Congress respectively, but applicable only with respect to the procedure to be followed in the House in the case of resolutions

described by paragraph (6) of this subsection; and it supersedes other rules only to the extent that it is inconsistent therewith; and

(B) with full recognition of the constitutional right of either House to change the rules (so far as those relate to the procedure of that House) at any time, in the same manner and to the same extent as in the case of any other rule of such House.

(4) For the purposes of this subsection, the term "resolution" means a joint resolution, the resolving clause of which is as follows: "That the House of Representatives and Senate approve the application for under title XI of the Alaska National Interest Lands Conservation Act submitted by the President to the Congress on 19."; the first blank space therein to be filled in with the appropriate transportation or utility system and the second blank therein to be filled with the date on which the President submits the application to the House of Representatives and the Senate.

"Resolution."

(5) Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, the provisions of section 8(d) of the Alaska Natural Gas Transportation Act shall apply to the consideration of the resolution.

15 USC 719f.

(6) After an application for a transportation or utility system has been approved under subsection 1106(a), the appropriate Federal agencies shall issue appropriate authorizations in accordance with applicable law. In any case in which an application for a transportation or utility system has been approved pursuant to section 1106(b), the appropriate Federal agencies shall issue appropriate authorizations in accordance with title V of the Federal Lands Policy Management Act or other applicable law. After issuance pursuant to this subsection, the appropriate land managing agency shall administer the right-of-way in accordance with relevant management authorities of the land managing agency and title V of the Federal Lands Policy Management Act.

43 USC 1761.

RIGHTS-OF-WAY TERMS AND CONDITIONS

SEC. 1107. (a) TERMS AND CONDITIONS.—The Secretary, or the Secretary of Agriculture where national forest wilderness is involved, shall include in any right-of-way issued pursuant to an application under this title, terms and conditions which shall include, but not be limited to—

16 USC 3167.

(1) requirements to insure that, to the maximum extent feasible, the right-of-way is used in a manner compatible with the purposes for which the affected conservation system unit, national recreation area, or national conservation area was established or is managed;

(2) requirements for restoration, revegetation, and curtailment of erosion of the surface of the land;

(3) requirements to insure that activities in connection with the right-of-way will not violate applicable air and water quality standards and related facility siting standards established pursuant to law;

(4) requirements, including the minimum necessary width, designed to control or prevent—

(A) damage to the environment (including damage to fish and wildlife habitat),

(B) damage to public or private property, and

(C) hazards to public health and safety;

(5) requirements to protect the interests of individuals living in the general area of the right-of-way who rely on the fish, wildlife, and biotic resources of the area for subsistence purposes; and
 (6) requirements to employ measures to avoid or minimize adverse environmental, social or economic impacts.

(b) **WILD AND SCENIC RIVERS SYSTEM.**—Any transportation or utility system approved pursuant to this title which occupies, uses, or traverses any area within the boundaries of a unit of the National Wild and Scenic Rivers System shall be subject to such conditions as may be necessary to assure that the stream flow of, and transportation on, such river are not interfered with or impeded, and that the transportation or utility system is located and constructed in an environmentally sound manner.

30 USC 185.

(c) **PIPELINE RIGHTS-OF-WAYS.**—In the case of a pipeline described in section 28(a) of the Mineral Leasing Act of 1920, a right-of-way issued pursuant to this title shall be issued in the same manner as a right-of-way is granted under section 28, and the provisions of subsections (c) through (j), (l) through (q), and (u) through (y) of such section 28 shall apply to rights-of-way issued pursuant to this title.

P.L. 98-620 Retitles and replaces:

16 USC 3168.

42 USC 4321 note.

~~EXPEDITED JUDICIAL REVIEW—
 INJUNCTIVE RELIEF~~

~~Sec. 1108. (a) It is the intent of Congress that any judicial review of any administrative actions, including compliance with the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, pursuant to this title shall be expedited to the maximum extent possible.~~

~~(b) Any proceeding before a Federal court in which an administrative action, including compliance with the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, pursuant to this title is challenged shall be assigned for hearing and completed at the earliest possible date, and shall be expedited in every way by such court, and such court shall render its final decision relative to any challenge within one hundred and twenty days from the date such challenge is brought unless such court determines that a longer period of time is required to satisfy the requirements of the United States Constitution.~~

Sec. 1108. (a) No court shall have jurisdiction to grant any injunctive relief lasting longer than ninety days against any action pursuant to this title except in conjunction with a final judgment entered in a case involving an action pursuant to this title.

VALID EXISTING RIGHTS

16 USC 3169.

SEC. 1109. Nothing in this title shall be construed to adversely affect any valid existing right of access.

SPECIAL ACCESS AND ACCESS TO INHOLDINGS

16 USC 3170.

P.L. 104-333 extends application of Sec. 1110 (a) and (b) to 37,000 acre special management area adjacent to Kauihi refuge

Sec. 1110. (a) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Act or other law, the Secretary shall permit, on conservation system units, national recreation areas, and national conservation areas, and those public lands designated as wilderness study, the use of snowmachines (during periods of adequate snow cover, or frozen river conditions in the case of wild and scenic rivers), motorboats, airplanes, and nonmotorized surface transportation methods for traditional activities (where such activities are permitted by this Act or other law) and for travel to and from villages and homesites. Such use shall be subject to reasonable regulations by the Secretary to protect the natural and other values of the conservation system units, national recreation