

Public Law 102-220
102d Congress

An Act

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To direct acquisitions within the Eleven Point Wild and Scenic River, to establish the Greer Spring Special Management Area in Missouri, and for other purposes.

Greer Spring
Acquisition and
Protection Act of
1991.

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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. SHORT TITLE.

This Act may be cited as the "Greer Spring Acquisition and Protection Act of 1991".

SEC. 2. ACQUISITION OF THE DENNIG TRACT.

(a) The Secretary of Agriculture (hereinafter referred to as the "Secretary") is hereby authorized and directed, subject to appropriations, to acquire all of the lands, waters, and interests therein, on a willing seller basis only, within the area generally depicted on a map entitled "Dennig Tract", dated November 5, 1991 (hereinafter referred to as "the map"). The map, together with a legal description of such lands, shall be on file and available for public inspection in the offices of the Forest Service, Department of Agriculture. The boundaries of the Mark Twain National Forest are hereby modified to include the area denoted "Dennig Property Outside of National Forest Boundary" on the map. Such map and legal description shall have the same force and effect as if included in this Act, except that the correction of clerical and typographical errors in such map and legal description may be made by the Secretary.

(b) Such modified boundaries shall be considered as the boundaries in existence as of January 1, 1965, for the purposes of section 7 of the Land and Water Conservation Fund Act (16 U.S.C. 4601-9).

SEC. 3. ELEVEN POINT WILD AND SCENIC RIVER.

The Secretary shall manage the lands, waters, and interests therein within the area referred to on the map as "The Eleven Point Wild and Scenic Corridor" (hereinafter referred to as "the corridor"), pursuant to the provisions of the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act (16 U.S.C. 1271-1287). Lands acquired pursuant to section 2 of this Act within the corridor shall not be counted against the average one-hundred-acre-per-mile fee limitation of Section 6(a)(1) of the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act, nor shall such lands outside the corridor be subject to the provisions of Section 6(a)(2) of the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act.

SEC. 4. GREER SPRING SPECIAL MANAGEMENT AREA.

(a) **OBJECTIVES AND ESTABLISHMENTS.**—In order to provide for public outdoor recreation use, including fishing and hunting, in a natural setting, and the enjoyment of certain areas within the Mark Twain National Forest, to protect those areas' natural, archaeological, and scenic resources, and to provide for appropriate resource management of those areas, there is hereby established the Greer Spring Special Management Area (hereinafter referred to as "the

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special management area"). The Secretary shall manage the special management area in accordance with this Act, and with provisions of law generally applicable to units of the National Forest System to the extent consistent with this Act.

(b) **AREA INCLUDED.**—The special management area shall consist of lands, waters, and interests therein within the area referred to on the map as "The Greer Spring Special Management Area". The Secretary is authorized to make minor revisions to the boundary of the special management area.

(c) **TIMBER HARVESTING.**—The Secretary shall permit the harvesting of timber within the special management area only in those cases where, in the judgment of the Secretary, the harvesting of timber is required in order to control insects or disease, for public safety, for salvage sales, or to accomplish the objectives of the special management area as described in subsection (a). To the extent practicable, timber harvesting shall be conducted only by the individual tree selection method.

(d) **HUNTING AND FISHING.**—The Secretary shall permit hunting and fishing on lands and waters within the special management area in accordance with applicable Federal and State law.

(e) **MINING AND MINERAL LEASING.**—Subject to valid, existing rights, lands within the special management areas are withdrawn from location, entry, and patent under the mining laws of the United States, and from the operation of the mineral and geothermal leasing laws of the United States.

(f) **VEHICULAR ACCESS.**—The Secretary shall construct and maintain only those roads within the special management area and corridor which are indicated on the map: *Provided*, That the Secretary shall provide access to such roads, or to timber harvesting pursuant to subsection (c), in such a manner as to minimize environmental impact.

SEC. 5. APPROPRIATIONS.

There are hereby authorized to be appropriated such sums as may be necessary to carry out the purposes of this Act.

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