Public Law 88-523

AN ACT

August 30, 1964
[S. 1363]

To increase the participation by counties in revenues from the National Wildlife Refuge System by amending the Act of June 15, 1935, relating to such participation, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 401 of the Act of June 15, 1935, as amended (49 Stat. 378, 383; 16 U.S.C. 715s), relating to the participation by the counties in revenues from wildlife refuges, is amended to read as follows:

National Wildlife Refuge System. Revenues.

"SEC. 401. (a) Beginning with the next full fiscal year and for each fiscal year thereafter, all revenues received by the Secretary of the Interior from the sale or other disposition of animals, timber, hay, grass, or other products of the soil, minerals, shells, sand, or gravel, from other privileges, or from leases for public accommodations or facilities incidental to but not in conflict with the basic purposes for which those areas of the National Wildlife Refuge System were established, during each fiscal year in connection with the operation and management of those areas of the National Wildlife Refuge System that are solely or primarily administered by him, through the United States Fish and Wildlife Service, shall be covered into the United States Treasury and be reserved in a separate fund for disposition as hereafter prescribed. Amounts in the fund shall remain available until expended, and may be expended by the Secretary without further appropriation in the manner hereafter prescribed. The National Wildlife Refuge System (hereafter referred to as the "System") includes those lands and waters administered by the Secretary as wildlife refuges, wildlife ranges, game ranges, wildlife management areas, and waterfowl production areas established under any law, proclamation, Executive, or public land order.

"(b) The Secretary may pay from the fund any necessary expenses incurred by him in connection with the revenue-producing measures set forth in subsection (a).

Payments to counties.

"(c) The Secretary, at the end of each fiscal year, shall pay, out of the net receipts in the fund (after payment of necessary expenses) for such fiscal year, which funds shall be expended solely for the benefit of public schools and roads as follows:

"(1) to each county in which reserved public lands in an area of the System are situated, an amount equal to 25 per centum of the net receipts collected by the Secretary from such reserved public lands in that particular area of the System: *Provided*, That when any such area is situated in more than one county the distributive share to each county from the aforesaid receipts shall be proportional to its acreage of such public lands therein; and

"(2) to each county in which areas in the System are situated that have been acquired in fee by the United States, either (A) three-fourths of 1 per centum of the cost of the areas, exclusive of any improvements to such areas made subsequent to Federal acquisition, such cost to be adjusted to represent current values as determined by the Secretary for the first full fiscal year after enactment of this Act and as redetermined by him at five-year intervals thereafter, or (B) 25 per centum of the net receipts collected by the Secretary from such acquired lands in that particular area of the System within such counties, whichever is greater. The determinations by the Secretary under this subsection shall be accomplished in such manner as he shall consider to be equitable and in the public interest, and his determinations hereunder shall be final and conclusive.

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"(d) The payments under subsection (c) of this section to the counties in the United States for any one fiscal year shall not exceed the amount of net receipts in the fund for that fiscal year and, in case the net receipts are insufficient for a particular fiscal year to pay the aggregate amount of the payments for that fiscal year to the counties, the payment to each county shall be reduced proportionately.

"(e) Any moneys remaining in the fund after all payments are made for any fiscal year may be used by the Secretary thereafter for management of the System, including but not limited to the construction, improvement, repair, and alteration of buildings, roads, and other facilities, and for enforcement of the Migratory Bird Treaty Act, as amended (16 U.S.C. 703–711).

49 Stat. 1555.

"(f) The disposition or sale of surplus animals, minerals, and other products, the grant of privileges, and the carrying out of any other activities that result in the collection of revenues within any areas of the System may be accomplished upon such terms, conditions, or regulations, including sale in the open markets, as the Secretary shall determine to be in the best interest of the United States. Further, the Secretary may dispose of such surplus animals by exchange of the same or other kinds, gift or loan to public institutions for exhibition or propagation purposes and for the advancement of knowledge and the dissemination of information relating to the conservation of wildlife in accordance with such regulations as he may prescribe.

Repeal.

"(g) Beginning with the first day of the next full fiscal year hereafter, the provisions of this Act shall supersede and repeal the provisions of the paragraph entitled 'Management of National Wildlife Refuges' in the General Appropriation Act, 1951, approved September 6, 1950 (64 Stat. 595, 693–694)."

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AN ACT

To authorize the exchange of lands adjacent to the Lassen National Forest in California, and for other purposes.

Lassen National Forest, Calif.
Land exchange.
16 USC 485, 486.
5 USC 511 note.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the provisions of the Act of March 20, 1922 (42 Stat. 465), as amended and supplemented by the Act of February 28, 1925 (43 Stat. 1090), and the Act of June 11, 1960 (74 Stat. 205), are hereby extended to the following described lands:

TOWNSHIP 31 NORTH, RANGE 11 EAST, MOUNT DIABLO MERIDIAN

Section 8, southwest quarter southwest quarter, west half southeast quarter southwest quarter;

Section 18, north half northeast quarter northeast quarter, northwest quarter northeast quarter, northeast quarter southwest quarter, lot 3.

Lands conveyed to the United States under this Act shall, upon acceptance of title, become parts of the Lassen National Forest and shall be subject to the laws, rules, and regulations applicable thereto.

Approved August 31, 1964.