

Public Law 98-289  
98th Congress

An Act

To establish the Irish Wilderness in Mark Twain National Forest, Missouri.

May 21, 1984

[S. 64]

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That this Act may be cited as the "Irish Wilderness Act of 1984".*

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16 USC 1132 note.

SEC. 2. (a) In furtherance of the purposes of the Wilderness Act (16 U.S.C. 1131-1136), certain lands in the Mark Twain National Forest, Missouri, which comprise approximately sixteen thousand five hundred acres, as generally depicted on a map entitled "Irish Wilderness", dated March 27, 1984, are hereby designated as wilderness and shall be known as the Irish Wilderness.

(b) Subject to valid existing rights, the wilderness area designated under subsection (a) shall be administered by the Secretary of Agriculture (hereinafter in this Act referred to as the "Secretary") in accordance with the provisions of the Wilderness Act of 1964 (16 U.S.C. 1131-1136) 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.

(c) As soon as practicable after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary shall submit a map and legal description of the wilderness area designated by subsection (a) to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources of the Senate and the Committees on Agriculture and Interior and Insular Affairs of the House of Representatives. Such map and legal description shall have the same force and effect as if included in this Act, except that any clerical or typographical error in such map or legal description may be corrected. The Secretary shall place such map and legal description on file, and make them available for public inspection, in the office of the Chief of the Forest Service, Department of Agriculture.

Public availability.

SEC. 3. The provision of Public Law 98-146 (97 Stat. 919, at 921), reading “: *Provided further*, That subject to valid existing rights, no appropriation herein made shall be used by the Secretary of the Interior for the processing or issuance of prospecting permits in certain lands in the Mark Twain National Forest, Missouri, which comprise approximately 17,562 acres, as generally depicted on a map entitled ‘Irish Wilderness—Proposed’, dated December 1981” is hereby repealed.

Approved May 21, 1984.

United States of America in Congress assembled, The President of the United States has submitted to the Senate the following bill: (b) Subject to valid existing rights, the wilderness area designated under section 1062 of the Wilderness Act of 1964 (78 Stat. 1181-1188) shall be administered by the Secretary of the Interior (hereinafter in this Act referred to as the “Secretary”) in accordance with the provisions of the Wilderness Act of 1964 (78 Stat. 1181-1188) governing areas designated by that Act as wilderness areas. (c) As soon as practicable after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary shall submit a map and legal description of the wilderness area designated by subsection (a) to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources of the Senate and the Committee on Agriculture and Forestry and Insular Affairs of the House of Representatives. Such map and legal description shall have the same force and effect as if included in this Act, except that any clerical or typographical error in such map or legal description may be corrected. The Secretary shall place such map and legal description on file and make them available for public inspection in the office of the Chief of the Forest Service, Department of Agriculture.

LEGISLATIVE HISTORY—S. 64:

- HOUSE REPORTS: No. 98-337, Pt. 1 (Comm. on Interior and Insular Affairs) and No. 98-663 (Comm. of Conference).
- SENATE REPORT No. 98-45 (Comm. on Energy and Natural Resources).
- CONGRESSIONAL RECORD, Vol. 129 (1983):
  - Vol. 129 (1983): Apr. 13, considered and passed Senate.
  - Aug. 1, 2, considered and passed House, amended.
  - Vol. 130 (1984): May 2, House agreed to conference report.
  - May 3, Senate agreed to conference report.