

109TH CONGRESS
2D SESSION

H. R. 4947

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

JULY 25, 2006

Received; read twice and referred to the Committee on Environment and
Public Works

AN ACT

To expand the boundaries of the Cahaba River National
Wildlife Refuge, and for other purposes.

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

1 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

2 This Act may be cited as the “Cahaba River National
3 Wildlife Refuge Expansion Act”.

4 **SEC. 2. DEFINITIONS.**

5 In this Act:

6 (1) REFUGE.—The term “Refuge” means the
7 Cahaba River National Wildlife Refuge and the
8 lands and waters in such refuge in Bibb County,
9 Alabama, as established by the Cahaba River Na-
10 tional Wildlife Refuge Establishment Act (Public
11 Law 106–331).

12 (2) SECRETARY.—The term “Secretary” means
13 the Secretary of the Interior.

14 **SEC. 3. EXPANSION OF BOUNDARIES.**

15 (a) EXPANSION.—The boundaries of the Refuge are
16 expanded to include land and water in Bibb County, Ala-
17 bama, depicted as “Proposed National Wildlife Refuge Ex-
18 pansion Boundary” on the map entitled “Cahaba River
19 NWR Expansion” and dated March 14, 2006.

20 (b) AVAILABILITY OF MAP.—The Secretary shall
21 make the map referred to in subsection (a) available for
22 inspection in appropriate offices of the United States Fish
23 and Wildlife Service.

1 **SEC. 4. ACQUISITION OF LAND AND WATER IN EXPANDED**
2 **BOUNDARIES.**

3 (a) IN GENERAL.—Subject to subsection (b), the Sec-
4 retary may acquire by donation, purchase with donated
5 or appropriated funds, or exchange the land and water,
6 and interests in land and water (including conservation
7 easements), within the boundaries of the Refuge as ex-
8 panded by this Act.

9 (b) MANNER OF ACQUISITION.—All acquisitions of
10 land or waters under this section shall be made in a vol-
11 untary manner and shall not be the result of forced
12 takings.

13 (c) INCLUSION IN REFUGE; ADMINISTRATION.—Any
14 land, water, or interest acquired by the Secretary under
15 this section—

16 (1) shall be part of the Refuge; and

17 (2) shall be administered by the Secretary in
18 accordance with—

19 (A) the National Wildlife Refuge System
20 Administration Act of 1966 (16 U.S.C. 668dd
21 et seq.);

22 (B) the Cahaba River National Wildlife
23 Refuge Establishment Act; and

1 (C) this Act.

Passed the House of Representatives July 24, 2006.

Attest: KAREN L. HAAS,
Clerk.