

purposes of determining if the grant funds or the proceeds of such financial assistance are being, or were, used in accordance with the provisions of this chapter.

(Pub. L. 89-454, title III, §313, formerly §310, as added Pub. L. 92-583, Oct. 27, 1972, 86 Stat. 1287; renumbered §313 and amended Pub. L. 94-370, §§7, 11, July 26, 1976, 90 Stat. 1019, 1030; Pub. L. 102-587, title II, §2205(b)(19), Nov. 4, 1992, 106 Stat. 5052.)

#### Editorial Notes

##### AMENDMENTS

1992—Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 102-587, §2205(b)(19)(A), substituted “section 1456a of this title, as in effect before November 5, 1990,” for “section 1456a of this title”.

Subsec. (b)(1). Pub. L. 102-587, §2205(b)(19)(B), substituted “section 1456a of this title, as in effect before November 5, 1990; and” for “section 1456a(d) of this title; and”.

1976—Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 94-370, §11(2), inserted “or of financial assistance under section 1456a of this title” after “grant under this chapter” and “and of the proceeds of such assistance” after “received under the grant”.

Subsec. (b). Pub. L. 94-370, §11(3), inserted provisions limiting duration of authority to 3 years after completion of project or repayment of loan and enlarged scope of access to include persons who entered into transactions relating to the grant of funds.

#### § 1460. Walter B. Jones excellence in coastal zone management awards

##### (a) Establishment

The Secretary shall, using sums in the Coastal Zone Management Fund established under section 1456a of this title and other amounts available to carry out this chapter (other than amounts appropriated to carry out sections 1454, 1455, 1455a, 1456b, 1456c, and 1461 of this title), implement a program to promote excellence in coastal zone management by identifying and acknowledging outstanding accomplishments in the field.

##### (b) Annual selection of recipients

The Secretary shall elect annually—

(1) one individual, other than an employee or officer of the Federal Government, whose contribution to the field of coastal zone management has been the most significant;

(2) 5 local governments which have made the most progress in developing and implementing the coastal zone management principles embodied in this chapter; and

(3) up to 10 graduate students whose academic study promises to contribute materially to development of new or improved approaches to coastal zone management.

##### (c) Solicitation of nominations for local government recipients

In making selections under subsection (b)(2) the Secretary shall solicit nominations from the coastal states, and shall consult with experts in local government planning and land use.

##### (d) Solicitation of nominations for graduate student recipients

In making selections under subsection (b)(3) the Secretary shall solicit nominations from coastal states and the National Sea Grant College Program.

##### (e) Funding; types of awards

Using sums in the Coastal Zone Management Fund established under section 1456a of this title and other amounts available to carry out this chapter (other than amounts appropriated to carry out sections 1454, 1455, 1455a, 1456b, 1456c, and 1461 of this title), the Secretary shall establish and execute appropriate awards, to be known as the “Walter B. Jones Awards”, including—

(1) cash awards in an amount not to exceed \$5,000 each;

(2) research grants; and

(3) public ceremonies to acknowledge such awards.

(Pub. L. 89-454, title III, §314, formerly §313, as added Pub. L. 101-508, title VI, §6213, Nov. 5, 1990, 104 Stat. 1388-312; renumbered §314 and amended Pub. L. 102-587, title II, §2205(b)(20), Nov. 4, 1992, 106 Stat. 5052.)

#### Editorial Notes

##### PRIOR PROVISIONS

A prior section 1460, Pub. L. 89-454, title III, §314, formerly §311, as added Pub. L. 92-583, Oct. 27, 1972, 86 Stat. 1287; renumbered §314, Pub. L. 94-370, §7, July 26, 1976, 90 Stat. 1019, related to establishment, etc., of Coastal Zone Management Advisory Committee, prior to repeal by Pub. L. 99-272, title VI, §6045(2), Apr. 7, 1986, 100 Stat. 127.

##### AMENDMENTS

1992—Subsecs. (a), (e). Pub. L. 102-587, §2205(b)(20)(B), (C), after “under section 1456a of this title” inserted “and other amounts available to carry out this chapter (other than amounts appropriated to carry out sections 1454, 1455, 1455a, 1456b, 1456c, and 1461 of this title)”.

#### § 1461. National Estuarine Research Reserve System

##### (a) Establishment of System

There is established the National Estuarine Research Reserve System (hereinafter referred to in this section as the “System”) that consists of—

(1) each estuarine sanctuary designated under this section as in effect before April 7, 1986; and

(2) each estuarine area designated as a national estuarine reserve under subsection (b).

Each estuarine sanctuary referred to in paragraph (1) is hereby designated as a national estuarine reserve.

##### (b) Designation of national estuarine reserves

After April 7, 1986, the Secretary may designate an estuarine area as a national estuarine reserve if—

(1) the Governor of the coastal state in which the area is located nominates the area for that designation; and

(2) the Secretary finds that—

(A) the area is a representative estuarine ecosystem that is suitable for long-term research and contributes to the biogeographical and typological balance of the System;

(B) the law of the coastal state provides long-term protection for reserve resources to ensure a stable environment for research;