

PART C—EL MALPAIS NATIONAL CONSERVATION
AREA

§ 460uu-21. Establishment; description of area

(a) In order to protect for the benefit and enjoyment of future generations that area in western New Mexico containing the La Ventana Natural Arch and the other unique and nationally important geological, archeological, ecological, cultural, scenic, scientific, and wilderness resources of the public lands surrounding the Grants Lava Flows, there is hereby established the El Malpais National Conservation Area (hereinafter referred to as the “conservation area”). The conservation area shall consist of approximately 262,690 acres of federally owned land as generally depicted on a map entitled “El Malpais National Monument and National Conservation Area” numbered NM-ELMA-80,001-B and dated May 1987. The map shall be on file and available for inspection in the offices of the Director of the Bureau of Land Management of the Department of the Interior.

(b) As soon as practicable after December 31, 1987, the Secretary shall file a legal description of the conservation area designated under this section with the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources of the United States Senate and the Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs of the United States House of Representatives. Such legal description shall have the same force and effect as if included in this subchapter, except that the Secretary may correct clerical and typographical errors in such legal description. The legal description shall be on file and available for public inspection in the offices of the Director of the Bureau of Land Management, Department of the Interior.

(Pub. L. 100-225, title III, §301, Dec. 31, 1987, 101 Stat. 1541.)

Statutory Notes and Related Subsidiaries

CHANGE OF NAME

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs of the House of Representatives changed to Committee on Natural Resources of the House of Representatives on Jan. 5, 1993, by House Resolution No. 5, One Hundred Third Congress.

§ 460uu-22. Management

(a) Provisions applicable

The Secretary, acting through the Director of the Bureau of Land Management, shall manage the conservation area to protect the resources specified in section 460uu-21 of this title and in accordance with this subchapter, the Federal Land Management and Policy¹ Act of 1976 [43 U.S.C. 1701 et seq.] and other applicable provisions of law, including those provisions relating to grazing on public lands.

(b) Hunting and trapping

The Secretary shall permit hunting and trapping within the conservation area in accordance with applicable laws and regulations of the United States and the State of New Mexico; except that the Secretary, after consultation with

the New Mexico Department of Game and Fish, may issue regulations designating zones where and establishing periods when no hunting or trapping shall be permitted for reasons of public safety, administration, or public use and enjoyment.

(c) Prohibition of collection of green or dead wood for commercial purposes

Collection of green or dead wood for sale or other commercial purposes shall not be permitted in the conservation area.

(d) Grazing

Except as otherwise provided in section 460uu-32(b) of this title, within the conservation area the grazing of livestock shall be permitted to continue, pursuant to applicable Federal law, including this subchapter, and subject to such reasonable regulations, policies, and practices as the Secretary deems necessary.

(Pub. L. 100-225, title III, §302, Dec. 31, 1987, 101 Stat. 1541.)

Editorial Notes

REFERENCES IN TEXT

The Federal Land Management and Policy Act of 1976, referred to in subsec. (a), probably means the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976, Pub. L. 94-579, Oct. 21, 1976, 90 Stat. 2743, which is classified principally to chapter 35 (§1701 et seq.) of Title 43, Public Lands. For complete classification of this Act to the Code, see Short Title note set out under section 1701 of Title 43 and Tables.

PART D—WILDERNESS

§ 460uu-31. Designation; description of area

(a) In furtherance of the purposes of the Wilderness Act (78 Stat. 890) [16 U.S.C. 1131 et seq.], there are hereby designated as wilderness, and, therefore, as components of the National Wilderness Preservation System, the Cebolla Wilderness of approximately 60,000 acres, and the West Malpais Wilderness of approximately 38,210 acres, as each is generally depicted on the map entitled “El Malpais National Monument and National Conservation Area” numbered NM-ELMA-80,001-B and dated May 1987. The map shall be on file and available for inspection in the offices of the Director of the Bureau of Land Management, Department of the Interior.

(b) As soon as practicable after December 31, 1987, the Secretary shall file a legal description of each wilderness area designated by this subchapter with the Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs of the United States House of Representatives and with the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources of the United States Senate. Such legal description shall have the same force and effect as if included in this subchapter, except that the Secretary may correct clerical and typographical errors in such legal description. The legal description shall be on file and available for public inspection in the offices of the Director of the Bureau of Land Management, Department of the Interior.

(Pub. L. 100-225, title IV, §401, Dec. 31, 1987, 101 Stat. 1542.)

¹ So in original. See References in Text note below.

Editorial Notes

REFERENCES IN TEXT

The Wilderness Act, referred to in subsec. (a), is Pub. L. 88-577, Sept. 3, 1964, 78 Stat. 890, which is classified generally to chapter 23 (§1131 et seq.) of this title. For complete classification of this Act to the Code, see Short Title note set out under section 1131 of this title and Tables.

Statutory Notes and Related Subsidiaries

CHANGE OF NAME

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs of the House of Representatives changed to Committee on Natural Resources of the House of Representatives on Jan. 5, 1993, by House Resolution No. 5, One Hundred Third Congress.

§ 460uu-32. Management; provisions applicable

(a) Subject to valid existing rights, each wilderness area designated under this subchapter shall be administered by the Secretary, through the Director of the Bureau of Land Management, in accordance with the provisions of the Wilderness Act [16 U.S.C. 1131 et seq.] 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 December 31, 1987.

(b) Within the wilderness areas designated by this subchapter, the grazing of livestock, where established prior to December 31, 1987, shall be permitted to continue subject to such reasonable regulations, policies, and practices as the Secretary deems necessary, as long as such regulations, policies, and practices fully conform with and implement the intent of Congress regarding grazing in such areas as such intent is expressed in the Wilderness Act [16 U.S.C. 1131 et seq.] and section 108 of Public Law 96-560 (16 U.S.C. 1133 note).

(Pub. L. 100-225, title IV, §402, Dec. 31, 1987, 101 Stat. 1542.)

Editorial Notes

REFERENCES IN TEXT

The Wilderness Act, referred to in text, is Pub. L. 88-577, Sept. 3, 1964, 78 Stat. 890, which is classified generally to chapter 23 (§1131 et seq.) of this title. For complete classification of this Act to the Code, see Short Title note set out under section 1131 of this title and Tables.

The effective date of the Wilderness Act, referred to in subsec. (a), means Sept. 3, 1964, the date of enactment of Pub. L. 88-577, which enacted chapter 23 of this title.

PART E—GENERAL PROVISIONS

§ 460uu-41. Management plans**(a) Development and transmittal to Congress; contents**

Within three full fiscal years following the fiscal year of enactment of this subchapter, the Secretary shall develop and transmit to the Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs of the United States House of Representatives and the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources of the United States Senate, separate general management plans for the monument and the con-

servation area which shall describe the appropriate uses and development of the monument and the conservation area consistent with the purposes of this subchapter. The plans shall include but not be limited to each of the following:

(1) implementation plans for a continuing program of interpretation and public education about the resources and values of the monument and the conservation area;

(2) proposals for public facilities to be developed for the conservation area or the monument, including a visitors center in the vicinity of Bandera Crater and a multiagency orientation center, to be located in or near Grants, New Mexico, and adjacent to Interstate 40, to accommodate visitors to western New Mexico;

(3) natural and cultural resources management plans for the monument and the conservation area, with a particular emphasis on the preservation and long-term scientific use of archeological resources, giving high priority to the enforcement of the provisions of the Archeological¹ Resources Protection Act of 1979 [16 U.S.C. 470aa et seq.] and the National Historic Preservation Act² within the monument and the conservation area. The natural and cultural resources management plans shall be prepared in close consultation with the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation, the New Mexico State Historic Preservation Office, and the local Indian people and their traditional cultural and religious authorities; and such plans shall provide for long-term scientific use of archaeological resources in the monument and the conservation area, including the wilderness areas designated by this subchapter; and

(4) wildlife resources management plans for the monument and the conservation area prepared in close consultation with appropriate departments of the State of New Mexico and using previous studies of the area.

(b) Review and recommendation of suitability or nonsuitability of specific lands

(1) The general management plan for the conservation area shall review and recommend the suitability or nonsuitability for preservation as wilderness of those lands comprising approximately 17,468 acres, identified as “Wilderness Study Area” (hereafter in this part referred to as the “WSA”) on the map referenced in section 460uu of this title.

(2) Pending submission of a recommendation and until otherwise directed by an Act of Congress, the Secretary, acting through the Director of the Bureau of Land Management, shall manage the lands within the WSA so as to maintain their potential for inclusion within the National Wilderness Preservation System.

(c) Review and recommendation of suitability or nonsuitability of roadless lands

(1) The general management plan for the monument shall review and recommend the suitability or nonsuitability for preservation as wilderness of all roadless lands within the

¹ So in original. Probably should be “Archeological”.

² See References in Text note below.