

(2) Exceptions

The Secretary may authorize the use of motorized vehicles—

(A) to carry out administrative activities that further the purposes of the scenic areas, as described in subsection (b);

(B) to assist wildlife management projects in existence on March 30, 2009; and

(C) during deer and bear hunting seasons—

(i) on Forest Development Roads 49410 and 84b; and

(ii) on the portion of Forest Development Road 6261 designated on the map described in subsection (a)(2) as “open seasonally”.

(j) Wildfire suppression

Wildfire suppression within the scenic areas shall be conducted—

(1) in a manner consistent with the purposes of the scenic areas, as described in subsection (b); and

(2) using such means as the Secretary determines to be appropriate.

(k) Water

The Secretary shall administer the scenic areas in a manner that maintains and enhances water quality.

(l) Withdrawal

Subject to valid existing rights, all Federal land in the scenic areas is withdrawn from—

(1) location, entry, and patent under the mining laws; and

(2) operation of the mineral leasing and geothermal leasing laws.

(Pub. L. 111–11, title I, § 1104, Mar. 30, 2009, 123 Stat. 1004.)

Editorial Notes

REFERENCES IN TEXT

This subtitle, referred to in subsec. (c)(1)(A), is subtitle B (§§ 1101–1107) of title I of Pub. L. 111–11, Mar. 30, 2009, 123 Stat. 1002, which enacted this section and section 546b–1 of this title, enacted provisions set out as a note below, and enacted and amended provisions listed in a table of Wilderness Areas set out under section 1132 of this title. For complete classification of subtitle B to the Code, see Tables.

Statutory Notes and Related Subsidiaries

DEFINITIONS

Pub. L. 111–11, title I, § 1101, Mar. 30, 2009, 123 Stat. 1002, provided that: “In this subtitle [subtitle B (§§ 1101–1107) of title I of Pub. L. 111–11, enacting this section and section 546b–1 of this title and enacting and amending provisions listed in a table of Wilderness Areas set out under section 1132 of this title]:

“(1) SCENIC AREAS.—The term ‘scenic areas’ means the Seng Mountain National Scenic Area and the Bear Creek National Scenic Area.

“(2) SECRETARY.—The term ‘Secretary’ means the Secretary of Agriculture.”

§ 546b–1. Maps and boundary descriptions**(a) In general**

As soon as practicable after March 30, 2009, the Secretary shall file with the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources of the Senate and the Committee on Natural Resources and the

Committee on Agriculture of the House of Representatives maps and boundary descriptions of—

(1) the scenic areas;

(2) the wilderness areas designated by paragraphs (9) through (20) of section 1 of Public Law 100–326 (16 U.S.C. 1132 note) (as added by section 1102(a)(5));

(3) the wilderness study area designated by section 6(a)(5) of the Virginia Wilderness Act of 1984 (16 U.S.C. 1132 note; Public Law 98–586) (as added by section 1102(b)(2)(D)); and

(4) the potential wilderness area designated by section 1103(a).¹

(b) Force and effect

The maps and boundary descriptions filed under subsection (a) shall have the same force and effect as if included in this subtitle, except that the Secretary may correct any minor errors in the maps and boundary descriptions.

(c) Availability of map and boundary description

The maps and boundary descriptions filed under subsection (a) shall be on file and available for public inspection in the Office of the Chief of the Forest Service.

(d) Conflict

In the case of a conflict between a map filed under subsection (a) and the acreage of the applicable areas specified in this subtitle, the map shall control.

(Pub. L. 111–11, title I, § 1106, Mar. 30, 2009, 123 Stat. 1007.)

Editorial Notes

REFERENCES IN TEXT

Paragraphs (9) through (20) of section 1 of Public Law 100–326 as added by section 1102(a)(5), referred to in subsec. (a)(2), means paragraphs (9) through (20) of section 1 of Public Law 100–326 as added by section 1102(a)(5) of Pub. L. 111–11, which enacted and amended provisions listed in a table of Wilderness Areas set out under section 1132 of this title.

Section 6(a)(5) of the Virginia Wilderness Act of 1984 (Public Law 98–586) (as added by section 1102(b)(2)(D)), referred to in subsec. (a)(3), is section 6(a)(5) of Pub. L. 98–586, as added by section 1102(b)(2)(D) of Pub. L. 111–11, title I, Mar. 30, 2009, 123 Stat. 1004, which is not classified to the Code.

Section 1103(a), referred to in subsec. (a)(4), means section 1103(a) of Pub. L. 111–11, which amended provisions listed in a table of Wilderness Areas set out under section 1132 of this title.

This subtitle, referred to in subsecs. (b) and (d), is subtitle B (§§ 1101–1107) of title I of Pub. L. 111–11, Mar. 30, 2009, 123 Stat. 1002, which enacted this section and section 546b of this title, enacted provisions set out as a note under section 546b of this title, and enacted and amended provisions listed in a table of Wilderness Areas set out under section 1132 of this title.

Statutory Notes and Related Subsidiaries

DEFINITIONS

For definitions of terms used in this section, see section 1101 of Pub. L. 111–11, set out as a note under section 546b of this title.

¹ See References in Text note below.

CHAPTER 3—FORESTS; FOREST SERVICE; REFORESTATION; MANAGEMENT

SUBCHAPTER I—GENERAL PROVISIONS

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553.	Duties of officials of Forest Service; stock laws; protection of fish and game.	563.	Cooperation with States for fire protection on private or State forest lands upon the watersheds of navigable rivers.
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555.	Forest headquarters, ranger stations, dwellings, or other needed sites.	566b.	Annual appropriations; limitation on use of other funds for the purposes of sections 564, 565, and 566.
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555b.	Street improvements; availability of Forest Service funds.	567a.	Cooperation by Secretary of Agriculture with States in acquisition and administration of State forests.
556.	Appropriations for Forest Service; use for transportation or traveling expenses; preparation or publication of newspaper or magazine articles.	567b.	Conditions and requirements for cooperation in acquisition and management of State forests.
556a.	Omitted.	567c.	Authorization of appropriation for cooperation in acquisition and management of State forests.
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556c.	Reimbursement of employees for property losses resulting from fires, floods, or other casualties.	568a.	Cooperation by Secretary of Agriculture with Territories and other possessions.
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