

(3) select proposals for financial assistance that satisfy the requirements of section 6104 of this title, giving preference to proposals that address conservation needs not adequately addressed by existing efforts and that are supported by relevant wildlife management authorities; and

(4) generally implement this chapter in accordance with its purposes.

(Pub. L. 106-247, §6, July 20, 2000, 114 Stat. 595.)

### § 6106. Cooperation

#### (a) In general

In carrying out this chapter, the Secretary shall—

(1) support and coordinate existing efforts to conserve neotropical migratory bird species, through—

(A) facilitating meetings among persons involved in such efforts;

(B) promoting the exchange of information among such persons;

(C) developing and entering into agreements with other Federal agencies, foreign, State, and local governmental agencies, and nongovernmental organizations; and

(D) conducting such other activities as the Secretary considers to be appropriate; and

(2) coordinate activities and projects under this chapter with existing efforts in order to enhance conservation of neotropical migratory bird species.

#### (b) Advisory group

##### (1) In general

To assist in carrying out this chapter, the Secretary may convene an advisory group consisting of individuals representing public and private organizations actively involved in the conservation of neotropical migratory birds. The advisory group as a whole shall have expertise in the methods and procedures set forth in section 6103(2) of this title in each country and region of the Western Hemisphere.

##### (2) Public participation

###### (A) Meetings

The advisory group shall—

(i) ensure that each meeting of the advisory group is open to the public; and

(ii) provide, at each meeting, an opportunity for interested persons to present oral or written statements concerning items on the agenda.

###### (B) Notice

The Secretary shall provide to the public timely notice of each meeting of the advisory group.

###### (C) Minutes

Minutes of each meeting of the advisory group shall be kept by the Secretary and shall be made available to the public.

##### (3) Exemption from chapter 10 of title 5

Chapter 10 of title 5 shall not apply to the advisory group.

#### (c) Report to Congress

Not later than 180 days after April 24, 2024, the Secretary shall submit to the Committee on En-

vironment and Public Works of the Senate and the Committee on Natural Resources of the House of Representatives a report describing the implementation of subsection (b) by the Secretary, which shall include, if applicable, a description of the composition of the advisory group convened under paragraph (1) of that subsection.

(Pub. L. 106-247, §7, July 20, 2000, 114 Stat. 595; Pub. L. 109-363, title III, §302(f)(1), Oct. 17, 2006, 120 Stat. 2076; Pub. L. 117-286, §4(a)(128), Dec. 27, 2022, 136 Stat. 4319; Pub. L. 118-51, §2(b), (d)(2), Apr. 24, 2024, 138 Stat. 1005, 1006.)

### Editorial Notes

#### AMENDMENTS

2024—Subsec. (b)(1). Pub. L. 118-51, §2(d)(2), inserted period at end.

Subsec. (c). Pub. L. 118-51, §2(b), added subsec. (c).

2022—Subsec. (b)(3). Pub. L. 117-286 substituted “chapter 10 of title 5” for “Federal Advisory Committee Act” in heading and “Chapter 10 of title 5” for “The Federal Advisory Committee Act (5 U.S.C. App.)” in text.

2006—Subsec. (b)(1). Pub. L. 109-363 inserted at end “The advisory group as a whole shall have expertise in the methods and procedures set forth in section 6103(2) of this title in each country and region of the Western Hemisphere”.

### Statutory Notes and Related Subsidiaries

#### ENCOURAGEMENT TO CONVENE

Pub. L. 109-363, title III, §302(f)(2), Oct. 17, 2006, 120 Stat. 2076, provided that: “The Secretary of the Interior is encouraged to convene an advisory group under section 7(b)(1) of such Act [Pub. L. 106-247, subsec. (b)(1) of this section] by not later than 6 months after the effective date of this Act [Oct. 17, 2006]. This paragraph shall not be considered to authorize delay of the schedule previously established by the United States Fish and Wildlife Service for the submission, judging, and awarding of grants.”

### § 6107. Report to Congress

Not later than 2 years after October 17, 2006, the Secretary shall submit to Congress a report on the results and effectiveness of the program carried out under this chapter, including recommendations concerning how the chapter might be improved and whether the program should be continued.

(Pub. L. 106-247, §8, July 20, 2000, 114 Stat. 596; Pub. L. 109-363, title III, §302(g), Oct. 17, 2006, 120 Stat. 2076.)

### Editorial Notes

#### AMENDMENTS

2006—Pub. L. 109-363 substituted “2 years after October 17, 2006,” for “October 1, 2002,”.

### § 6108. Neotropical Migratory Bird Conservation Fund

#### (a) Establishment

There is established in the Treasury a separate account, which shall be known as the “Neotropical Migratory Bird Conservation Fund”. The Fund shall consist of amounts deposited into the Fund by the Secretary of the Treasury under subsection (b).

#### (b) Deposits into the Fund

The Secretary of the Treasury shall deposit into the Fund—

(1) all amounts received by the Secretary in the form of donations under subsection (d); and

(2) other amounts appropriated to the Fund.

**(c) Use**

**(1) In general**

Subject to paragraph (2), the Secretary may use amounts in the Account,<sup>1</sup> without further Act of appropriation, to carry out this chapter.

**(2) Administrative expenses**

Of amounts in the Account<sup>1</sup> available for each fiscal year, the Secretary may expend not more than 3 percent or up to \$100,000, whichever is greater, to pay the administrative expenses necessary to carry out this chapter.

**(d) Acceptance and use of donations**

The Secretary may accept and use donations to carry out this chapter. Amounts received by the Secretary in the form of donations shall be transferred to the Secretary of the Treasury for deposit into the Fund.

(Pub. L. 106-247, §9, July 20, 2000, 114 Stat. 596; Pub. L. 109-363, title III, §302(h)(1), (2), (3)(B), Oct. 17, 2006, 120 Stat. 2076, 2077.)

**Editorial Notes**

AMENDMENTS

2006—Pub. L. 109-363, §302(h)(1), substituted “Neotropical Migratory Bird Conservation Fund” for “Neotropical Migratory Bird Conservation Account” in section catchline.

Subsecs. (a), (b). Pub. L. 109-363, §302(h)(1), added subsecs. (a) and (b) and struck out former subsecs. (a) and (b) which related to the establishment of and deposits into the Neotropical Migratory Bird Conservation Account.

Subsec. (c)(2). Pub. L. 109-363, §302(h)(2), substituted “\$100,000” for “\$80,000”.

Subsec. (d). Pub. L. 109-363, §302(h)(3)(B), substituted “Fund” for “Account”.

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TRANSFER OF FUNDS

Pub. L. 109-363, title III, §302(h)(4), Oct. 17, 2006, 120 Stat. 2077, provided that: “The Secretary of the Treasury may transfer to the Neotropical Migratory Bird Conservation Fund amounts that were in the Neotropical Migratory Bird Conservation Account immediately before the enactment of this Act [Oct. 17, 2006].”

**§ 6109. Authorization of appropriations**

**(a) In general**

There is authorized to be appropriated to carry out this chapter \$6,500,000 for each of fiscal years 2019 through 2028.

**(b) Use of funds**

Of the amounts made available under subsection (a) for each fiscal year, not less than 75 percent shall be expended for projects carried out at a location outside of the United States.

(Pub. L. 106-247, §10, July 20, 2000, 114 Stat. 597; Pub. L. 109-363, title III, §302(i), Oct. 17, 2006, 120

Stat. 2077; Pub. L. 116-9, title VII, §7002, Mar. 12, 2019, 133 Stat. 801; Pub. L. 118-51, §2(c), Apr. 24, 2024, 138 Stat. 1005.)

**Editorial Notes**

AMENDMENTS

2024—Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 118-51 substituted “2028” for “2023”.

2019—Pub. L. 116-9 amended section generally. Prior to amendment, section related to appropriations for fiscal years 2006 through 2010.

2006—Pub. L. 109-363 designated existing provisions as subsec. (a), inserted heading, substituted “for each of fiscal years 2006 through 2010 the amount specified for that fiscal year in subsection (b)” for “\$5,000,000 for each of fiscal years 2001 through 2005”, and added subsecs. (b) to (d).

**CHAPTER 81—USER FEES UNDER FOREST SYSTEM RECREATION RESIDENCE PROGRAM**

Sec.

6201 to 6213. Repealed.

6214. Cabin user and transfer fees.

**§§ 6201 to 6213. Repealed. Pub. L. 113-291, div. B, title XXX, §3024(k), Dec. 19, 2014, 128 Stat. 3766**

Section 6201, Pub. L. 106-291, title VI, §602, Oct. 11, 2000, 114 Stat. 1014, set forth congressional findings.

Section 6202, Pub. L. 106-291, title VI, §603, Oct. 11, 2000, 114 Stat. 1014, related to purposes of chapter.

Section 6203, Pub. L. 106-291, title VI, §604, Oct. 11, 2000, 114 Stat. 1014, set forth definitions.

Section 6204, Pub. L. 106-291, title VI, §605, Oct. 11, 2000, 114 Stat. 1015, related to administration of recreation residence program.

Section 6205, Pub. L. 106-291, title VI, §606, Oct. 11, 2000, 114 Stat. 1015, related to appraisal process for determining cabin user fees.

Section 6206, Pub. L. 106-291, title VI, §607, Oct. 11, 2000, 114 Stat. 1018, related to establishment of cabin user fees.

Section 6207, Pub. L. 106-291, title VI, §608, Oct. 11, 2000, 114 Stat. 1019; Pub. L. 108-7, div. F, title III, §324, Feb. 20, 2003, 117 Stat. 275, related to annual adjustment of fees.

Section 6208, Pub. L. 106-291, title VI, §609, Oct. 11, 2000, 114 Stat. 1020, related to payment of fees.

Section 6209, Pub. L. 106-291, title VI, §610, Oct. 11, 2000, 114 Stat. 1020, related to right of cabin owner to obtain a second appraisal.

Section 6210, Pub. L. 106-291, title VI, §611, Oct. 11, 2000, 114 Stat. 1021, related to right of appeal and judicial review of determination.

Section 6211, Pub. L. 106-291, title VI, §612, Oct. 11, 2000, 114 Stat. 1021, related to consistency with other law and rights.

Section 6212, Pub. L. 106-291, title VI, §613, Oct. 11, 2000, 114 Stat. 1022, related to promulgation of regulations.

Section 6213, Pub. L. 106-291, title VI, §614, Oct. 11, 2000, 114 Stat. 1022, related to fees during period of transition.

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EFFECTIVE DATE OF REPEAL

Repeal effective on the date of the assessment of annual permit fees in accordance with section 6214(f) of this title (as certified to Congress by the Secretary of Agriculture), see section 6214(k) of this title. The tiered fee schedule set out in section 6214(f) of this title was implemented effective Jan. 1, 2016.

SHORT TITLE

Pub. L. 106-291, title VI, §601, Oct. 11, 2000, 114 Stat. 1014, which provided that title VI of Pub. L. 106-291, en-

<sup>1</sup> So in original. Probably should be “Fund”.