

**Editorial Notes**

## REFERENCES IN TEXT

The Wilderness Act, referred to in par. (2)(E)(i), is Pub. L. 88-577, Sept. 3, 1964, 78 Stat. 890, which is classified generally to chapter 23 (§1131 et seq.) of Title 16, Conservation. For complete classification of this Act to the Code, see Short Title note set out under section 1131 of Title 16 and Tables.

The Wild and Scenic Rivers Act, referred to in par. (2)(E)(iii), is Pub. L. 90-542, Oct. 2, 1968, 82 Stat. 906, which is classified generally to chapter 28 (§1271 et seq.) of Title 16, Conservation. For complete classification of this Act to the Code, see Short Title note set out under section 1271 of Title 16 and Tables.

The National Trails System Act, referred to in par. (2)(E)(iv), is Pub. L. 90-543, Oct. 2, 1968, 82 Stat. 919, which is classified generally to chapter 27 (§1241 et seq.) of Title 16, Conservation. For complete classification of this Act to the Code, see Short Title note set out under section 1241 of Title 16 and Tables.

## AMENDMENTS

2018—Par. (1). Pub. L. 115-141, §302(1), substituted “cultural, recreational access and use, or other” for “cultural, or”.

Par. (2). Pub. L. 115-141, §302(2)(A), substituted “is within” for “on July 25, 2000, was within” in introductory provisions.

Par. (2)(A). Pub. L. 115-141, §302(2)(B), amended subpar. (A) generally. Prior to amendment, subpar. (A) read as follows: “a national monument, area of critical environmental concern, national conservation area, national riparian conservation area, national recreation area, national scenic area, research natural area, national outstanding natural area, or a national natural landmark managed by the Bureau of Land Management;”.

Par. (2)(D). Pub. L. 115-141, §302(2)(C), amended subpar. (D) generally. Prior to amendment, subpar. (D) read as follows: “an area of the National Forest System designated for special management by an Act of Congress; or”.

Pars. (3) to (6). Pub. L. 115-141, §302(3), added par. (3) and redesignated former pars. (3) to (5) as (4) to (6), respectively.

**§ 2303. Identification of inholdings****(a) In general**

The Secretary and the Secretary of Agriculture shall establish a procedure to—

(1) identify, by State, inholdings for which the landowner has indicated a desire to sell the land or interest therein to the United States; and

(2) prioritize the acquisition of inholdings in accordance with section 2305(c)(3) of this title.

**(b) Public notice**

As soon as practicable after July 25, 2000, and periodically thereafter, the Secretary and the Secretary of Agriculture shall provide public notice of the procedures referred to in subsection (a), including any information necessary for the consideration of an inholding under section 2305 of this title. Such notice shall include publication in the Federal Register and by such other means as the Secretary and the Secretary of Agriculture determine to be appropriate.

**(c) Identification**

An inholding—

(1) shall be considered for identification under this section only if the Secretary or the Secretary of Agriculture receive notification of a desire to sell from the landowner in re-

sponse to public notice given under subsection (b); and

(2) shall be deemed to have been established as of the later of—

(A) the earlier of—

(i) the date on which the land was withdrawn from the public domain; or

(ii) the date on which the land was established or designated for special management; or

(B) the date on which the inholding was acquired by the current owner.

**(d) No obligation to convey or acquire**

The identification of an inholding under this section creates no obligation on the part of a landowner to convey the inholding or any obligation on the part of the United States to acquire the inholding.

(Pub. L. 106-248, title II, §204, July 25, 2000, 114 Stat. 615.)

**§ 2304. Disposal of public land****(a) In general**

The Secretary shall establish a program, using funds made available under section 2305 of this title—

(1) to complete appraisals and satisfy other legal requirements for the sale or exchange of public land identified for disposal under approved land use plans under section 1712 of this title;

(2) not later than 180 days after March 23, 2018, to establish and make available to the public, on the website of the Department of the Interior, a database containing a comprehensive list of all the land referred to in paragraph (1); and

(3) to maintain the database referred to in paragraph (2).

**(b) Sale of public land****(1) In general**

The sale of public land so identified shall be conducted in accordance with sections 1713 and 1719 of this title.

**(2) Exceptions to competitive bidding requirements**

The exceptions to competitive bidding requirements under section 1713(f) of this title shall apply to this section in cases in which the Secretary determines it to be necessary.

**(c) Report in Public Land Statistics**

The Secretary shall provide in the annual publication of Public Land Statistics, a report of activities under this section.

(Pub. L. 106-248, title II, §205, July 25, 2000, 114 Stat. 615; Pub. L. 111-212, title III, §3007(a), July 29, 2010, 124 Stat. 2339; Pub. L. 115-141, div. O, title III, §302(4), Mar. 23, 2018, 132 Stat. 1075.)

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2018—Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 115-141, §302(4)(A), substituted “section 2305 of this title—” and pars. (1) to (3) for “section 2305 of this title, to complete appraisals and satisfy other legal requirements for the sale or ex-