

PART A—ESTABLISHMENT, ADMINISTRATION, AND JURISDICTION

§ 460III-11. Establishment**(a) In general**

On the transfer of administrative jurisdiction under section 460III-41 of this title, the Land Between the Lakes National Recreation Area in the States of Kentucky and Tennessee is established as a unit of the National Forest System.

(b) Management**(1) In general**

The Secretary shall manage the Recreation Area for multiple use as a unit of the National Forest System.

(2) Emphases

The emphases in the management of the Recreation Area shall be—

(A) to provide public recreational opportunities;

(B) to conserve fish and wildlife and their habitat; and

(C) to provide for diversity of native and desirable non-native plants, animals, opportunities for hunting and fishing, and environmental education.

(3) Status of unit

The Secretary may administer the Recreation Area as a separate unit of the National Forest System or in conjunction with an existing national forest.

(c) Area included**(1) In general**

The Recreation Area shall comprise the federally owned land, water, and interests in the land and water lying between Kentucky Lake and Lake Barkley in the States of Kentucky and Tennessee, as generally depicted on the map entitled “Land Between the Lakes National Recreation Area—January, 1998”.

(2) Map

The map described in paragraph (1) shall be available for public inspection in the Office of the Chief of the Forest Service, Washington, D.C.

(d) Waters**(1) Water levels and navigation**

Nothing in this subchapter affects the jurisdiction of the Tennessee Valley Authority or the Army Corps of Engineers to manage and regulate water levels and navigation of Kentucky Lake and Lake Barkley and areas subject to flood easements.

(2) Occupancy and use

Subject to the jurisdiction of the Tennessee Valley Authority and the Army Corps of Engineers, the Secretary shall have jurisdiction to regulate the occupancy and use of the surface waters of the lakes for recreational purposes.

(Pub. L. 105-277, div. A, §101(e) [title V, §511], Oct. 21, 1998, 112 Stat. 2681-231, 2681-312.)

§ 460III-12. Civil and criminal jurisdiction**(a) Administration**

The Secretary, acting through the Chief of the Forest Service, shall administer the Recreation

Area in accordance with this subchapter and the laws, rules, and regulations pertaining to the National Forest System.

(b) Status

Land within the Recreation Area shall have the status of land acquired under the Act of March 1, 1911 (commonly known as the “Weeks Act”) (16 U.S.C. 515 et seq.).

(c) Law enforcement

In order to provide for a cost-effective transfer of the law enforcement responsibilities between the Forest Service and the Tennessee Valley Authority, the law enforcement authorities designated under section 831c-3 of this title are hereby granted to special agents and law enforcement officers of the Forest Service. The law enforcement authorities designated under section 551 of this title, section 559 of this title, the National Forest System Drug Control Act of 1986 (16 U.S.C. 559b-559g) are hereby granted to law enforcement agents of the Tennessee Valley Authority, within the boundaries of the Recreation Area, for a period of 1 year from October 21, 1998.

(Pub. L. 105-277, div. A, §101(e) [title V, §512], Oct. 21, 1998, 112 Stat. 2681-231, 2681-313.)

REFERENCES IN TEXT

Act of March 1, 1911, referred to in subsec. (b), is act Mar. 1, 1911, ch. 186, 36 Stat. 961, as amended, popularly known as the Weeks Law, which is classified to sections 480, 500, 513 to 519, 521, 552, and 563 of this title. For complete classification of this Act to the Code, see Short Title note set out under section 552 of this title and Tables.

The National Forest System Drug Control Act of 1986, referred to in subsec. (c), is title XV of Pub. L. 99-570, Oct. 27, 1986, 100 Stat. 3207-191, which enacted sections 559b to 559g of this title, amended section 841 of Title 21, Food and Drugs, and enacted provisions set out as a note under section 559b of this title. For complete classification of title XV to the Code, see Short Title note set out under section 559b of this title and Tables.

§ 460III-13. Payments to States and counties**(a) Payments in lieu of taxes**

Land within the Recreation Area shall be subject to the provisions for payments in lieu of taxes under chapter 69 of title 31.

(b) Distribution

All amounts received from charges, use fees, and natural resource utilization, including timber and agricultural receipts, shall not be subject to distribution to States under section 500 of this title.

(c) Payments by the Tennessee Valley Authority

After the transfer of administrative jurisdiction is made under section 460III-41 of this title—

(1) the Tennessee Valley Authority shall continue to calculate the amount of payments to be made to States and counties under section 831I of this title; and

(2) each State (including, for the purposes of this subsection, the State of Kentucky, the State of Tennessee, and any other State) that receives a payment under that section shall continue to calculate the amounts to be distributed to the State and local governments, as though the transfer had not been made.