

**§ 460ppp-4. Withdrawal**

Subject to valid existing rights, all Federal lands within the conservation area and all lands and interests therein which are hereafter acquired by the United States are hereby withdrawn from all forms of entry, appropriation, or disposal under the public land laws, from location, entry, and patent under the mining laws, from operation of the mineral leasing and geothermal leasing laws and from the minerals materials laws and all amendments thereto.

(Pub. L. 106-554, §1(a)(4) [div. B, title I, §125 [§6]], Dec. 21, 2000, 114 Stat. 2763, 2763A-229, 2763A-355.)

**§ 460ppp-5. No buffer zones**

The Congress does not intend for the establishment of the conservation area to lead to the creation of protective perimeters or buffer zones around the conservation area. The fact that there may be activities or uses on lands outside the conservation area that would not be permitted in the conservation area shall not preclude such activities or uses on such lands up to the boundary of the conservation area consistent with other applicable laws.

(Pub. L. 106-554, §1(a)(4) [div. B, title I, §125 [§7]], Dec. 21, 2000, 114 Stat. 2763, 2763A-229, 2763A-356.)

**§ 460ppp-6. Wilderness****(a) Designation**

In furtherance of the purposes of the Wilderness Act of 1964 (16 U.S.C. 1131 et seq.), the following lands in the State of Nevada are designated as wilderness, and, therefore, as components of the National Wilderness Preservation System:

(1) Certain lands in the Black Rock Desert Wilderness Study Area comprised of approximately 315,700 acres, as generally depicted on a map entitled “Black Rock Desert Wilderness—Proposed” and dated October 3, 2001, and which shall be known as the Black Rock Desert Wilderness.

(2) Certain lands in the Pahute Peak Wilderness Study Area comprised of approximately 57,400 acres, as generally depicted on a map entitled “Pahute Peak Wilderness—Proposed” and dated October 3, 2001, and which shall be known as the Pahute Peak Wilderness.

(3) Certain lands in the North Black Rock Range Wilderness Study Area comprised of approximately 30,800 acres, as generally depicted on a map entitled “North Black Rock Range Wilderness—Proposed” and dated October 3, 2001, and which shall be known as the North Black Rock Range Wilderness.

(4) Certain lands in the East Fork High Rock Canyon Wilderness Study Area comprised of approximately 52,800 acres, as generally depicted on a map entitled “East Fork High Rock Canyon Wilderness—Proposed” and dated October 3, 2001, and which shall be known as the East Fork High Rock Canyon Wilderness.

(5) Certain lands in the High Rock Lake Wilderness Study Area comprised of approximately 59,300 acres, as generally depicted on a map entitled “High Rock Lake Wilderness—Proposed” and dated October 3, 2001, and

which shall be known as the High Rock Lake Wilderness.

(6) Certain lands in the Little High Rock Canyon Wilderness Study Area comprised of approximately 48,700 acres, as generally depicted on a map entitled “Little High Rock Canyon Wilderness—Proposed” and dated October 3, 2001, and which shall be known as the Little High Rock Canyon Wilderness.

(7) Certain lands in the High Rock Canyon Wilderness Study Area and Yellow Rock Canyon Wilderness Study Area comprised of approximately 46,600 acres, as generally depicted on a map entitled “High Rock Canyon Wilderness—Proposed” and dated October 3, 2001, and which shall be known as the High Rock Canyon Wilderness.

(8) Certain lands in the Calico Mountains Wilderness Study Area comprised of approximately 65,400 acres, as generally depicted on a map entitled “Calico Mountains Wilderness—Proposed” and dated October 3, 2001, and which shall be known as the Calico Mountains Wilderness.

(9) Certain lands in the South Jackson Mountains Wilderness Study Area comprised of approximately 56,800 acres, as generally depicted on a map entitled “South Jackson Mountains Wilderness—Proposed” and dated October 3, 2001, and which shall be known as the South Jackson Mountains Wilderness.

(10) Certain lands in the North Jackson Mountains Wilderness Study Area comprised of approximately 24,000 acres, as generally depicted on a map entitled “North Jackson Mountains Wilderness—Proposed” and dated October 3, 2001, and which shall be known as the North Jackson Mountains Wilderness.

**(b) Administration of wilderness areas**

Subject to valid existing rights, each wilderness area designated by this subchapter shall be administered by the Secretary in accordance with the provisions of the Wilderness Act [16 U.S.C. 1131 et seq.], except that any reference in such provisions to the effective date of the Wilderness Act shall be deemed to be a reference to December 21, 2000, and any reference to the Secretary of Agriculture shall be deemed to be a reference to the Secretary of the Interior.

**(c) Maps and legal description**

As soon as practicable after December 21, 2000, the Secretary shall submit to Congress a map and legal description of the wilderness areas designated under this subchapter. The map and legal description shall have the same force and effect as if included in this subchapter, except the Secretary may correct clerical and typographical errors in such map and legal description. Copies of the map and legal description shall be on file and available for public inspection in the appropriate offices of the Bureau of Land Management.

**(d) Grazing**

Within the wilderness areas designated under subsection (a) of this section, the grazing of livestock, where established prior to December 21, 2000, 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 and section 101(f) of Public Law 101-628.

**(e) Hunting, trapping, and fishing**

**(1) In general**

Nothing in this subchapter diminishes the jurisdiction of the State of Nevada with respect to fish and wildlife management, including regulation of hunting and fishing on public land in the areas designated as wilderness under subsection (a) of this section.

**(2) Applicable law**

Any action in the areas designated as wilderness under subsection (a) of this section shall be consistent with the Wilderness Act (16 U.S.C. 1131 et seq.).

**(f) Wildland fire protection**

Nothing in this subchapter or the Wilderness Act (16 U.S.C. 1131 et seq.) precludes a Federal, State, or local agency from conducting wildland fire management operations (including prescribed burns) within the areas designated as wilderness under subsection (a) of this section, subject to any conditions that the Secretary considers appropriate.

**(g) Wilderness study release**

Congress—

(1) finds that the parcels of land in the wilderness study areas referred to in subsection (a) of this section that are not designated as wilderness by subsection (a) of this section have been adequately studied for wilderness designation under section 1782 of title 43; and

(2) declares that those parcels are no longer subject to the requirement of subsection (c) of that section pertaining to the management of wilderness study areas in a manner that does not impair the suitability of such areas for preservation as wilderness.

(Pub. L. 106-554, §1(a)(4) [div. B, title I, §125 [§8]], Dec. 21, 2000, 114 Stat. 2763, 2763A-229, 2763A-356; Pub. L. 107-63, title I, §135(a), (c)-(e), Nov. 5, 2001, 115 Stat. 443.)

REFERENCES IN TEXT

The Wilderness Act, referred to in subssecs. (a), (b), (d), (e)(2), and (f), is Pub. L. 88-577, Sept. 3, 1964, 78 Stat. 890, as amended, 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. (b), means Sept. 3, 1964, the date of enactment of Pub. L. 88-577, which enacted chapter 23 of this title.

Section 101(f) of Public Law 101-628, referred to in subsec. (d), is section 101(f) of Pub. L. 101-628, title I, Nov. 28, 1990, 104 Stat. 4473, which is not classified to the Code.

CODIFICATION

Section is comprised of section 1(a)(4) [div. B, title I, §125 [§8]] of Pub. L. 106-554. Section 1(a)(4) [div. B, title I, §125 [§8(a)(1)-(10)]] of Pub. L. 106-554 also enacted provisions listed in a table of Wilderness Areas set out under section 1132 of this title.

AMENDMENTS

2001—Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 107-63, §135(a), substituted “October 3, 2001” for “July 19, 2000” wherever appearing.

Subsecs. (e) to (g). Pub. L. 107-63, §135(c)-(e), added subssecs. (e) to (g).

**§ 460ppp-7. Authorization of appropriations**

There is hereby authorized to be appropriated such sums as may be necessary to carry out the provisions of this subchapter.

(Pub. L. 106-554, §1(a)(4) [div. B, title I, §125 [§9]], Dec. 21, 2000, 114 Stat. 2763, 2763A-229, 2763A-357.)

SUBCHAPTER CXXVIII—SLOAN CANYON NATIONAL CONSERVATION AREA

**§ 460qqq. Purpose**

The purpose of this subchapter is to establish the Sloan Canyon National Conservation Area to conserve, protect, and enhance for the benefit and enjoyment of present and future generations the cultural, archaeological, natural, wilderness, scientific, geological, historical, biological, wildlife, educational, and scenic resources of the Conservation Area.

(Pub. L. 107-282, title VI, §602, Nov. 6, 2002, 116 Stat. 2009.)

SHORT TITLE

Pub. L. 107-282, §1, Nov. 6, 2002, 116 Stat. 1994, provided that: “This Act [enacting this subchapter, amending section 460ccc-1 of this title, enacting provisions set out as notes under this section and sections 460n-1, 460ccc-4, and 460qqq-1 of this title, enacting provisions listed in a table of National Wildlife Refuges set out under section 668dd of this title, and enacting and amending provisions listed in a table of Wilderness Areas set out under 1132 of this title] may be cited as the ‘Clark County Conservation of Public Land and Natural Resources Act of 2002.’”

Pub. L. 107-282, title VI, §601, Nov. 6, 2002, 116 Stat. 2009, provided that: “This title [enacting this subchapter] may be cited as the ‘Sloan Canyon National Conservation Area Act.’”

**§ 460qqq-1. Definitions**

In this subchapter:

**(1) Conservation Area**

The term “Conservation Area” means the Sloan Canyon National Conservation Area established by section 460qqq-2(a) of this title.

**(2) Federal parcel**

The term “Federal parcel” means the parcel of Federal land consisting of approximately 500 acres that is identified as Tract A on the map entitled “Southern Nevada Public Land Management Act” and dated October 1, 2002.

**(3) Management plan**

The term “management plan” means the management plan for the Conservation Area developed under section 460qqq-3(b) of this title.

**(4) Map**

The term “map” means the map entitled “Southern Nevada Public Land Management Act” and dated October 1, 2002.

(Pub. L. 107-282, title VI, §603, Nov. 6, 2002, 116 Stat. 2009.)

DEFINITIONS

Pub. L. 107-282, §3, Nov. 6, 2002, 116 Stat. 1995, provided that: