

toches, the State of Louisiana, and other public or private organizations for the development of the interpretive center, educational programs, and other materials that will facilitate public use of the historical park and heritage area.

(e) Research

The Secretary, acting through the National Park Service, shall coordinate a comprehensive research program on the complex history of the Cane River region, including ethnography studies of the living communities along the Cane River, and how past and present generations have adapted to their environment, including genealogical studies of families within the Cane River area. Research shall include, but not be limited to, the extensive primary historic documents within the Natchitoches and Cane River areas, and curation methods for their care and exhibition. The research program shall be coordinated with Northwestern State University of Louisiana, and the National Center for Preservation of Technology and Training in Natchitoches.

(Pub. L. 103-449, title III, §304, Nov. 2, 1994, 108 Stat. 4758.)

§ 410ccc-3. Acquisition of property

(a) General authority

Except as otherwise provided in this section, the Secretary is authorized to acquire lands and interest therein within the boundaries of the historical park by donation, purchase with donated or appropriated funds, or exchange.

(b) State and local properties

Lands and interests therein that are owned by the State of Louisiana, or any political subdivision thereof, may be acquired only by donation or exchange.

(c) Museum Contents, Inc.

Lands and structures identified in section 410ccc-1(b)(2) of this title may be acquired only by donation.

(d) Cooperative agreement sites

Lands and interests therein that are the subject of cooperative agreements pursuant to section 410ccc-1(b)(3) of this title shall not be acquired except with the consent of the owner thereof.

(Pub. L. 103-449, title III, §305, Nov. 2, 1994, 108 Stat. 4759.)

§ 410ccc-4. General management plan

Within 3 years after the date funds are made available therefor and in consultation with the Cane River Heritage Area Commission,¹ the National Park Service shall prepare a general management plan for the historical park. The plan shall include, but need not be limited to—

(1) a visitor use plan indicating programs and facilities that will be provided for public use, including the location and cost of an interpretive center;

(2) programs and management actions that the National Park Service will undertake co-

operatively with the heritage area commission,² including preservation treatments for important sites, structures, objects, and research materials. Planning shall address educational media, roadway signing, and brochures that could be coordinated with the Commission pursuant to section 410ccc-23 of this title; and

(3) preservation and use plans for any sites and structures that are identified for National Park Service involvement through cooperative agreements.

(Pub. L. 103-449, title III, §306, Nov. 2, 1994, 108 Stat. 4760.)

PART B—CANE RIVER NATIONAL HERITAGE AREA

§ 410ccc-21. Establishment

(a) In general

There is hereby established the Cane River National Heritage Area (hereinafter in this part referred to as the “heritage area”).

(b) Purpose

In furtherance of the need to recognize the value and importance of the Cane River region and in recognition of the findings of section 410ccc(a) of this title, it is the purpose of this part to establish a heritage area to complement the historical park and to provide for a culturally sensitive approach to the preservation of the heritage of the Cane River region, and for other needs including—

(1) recognizing areas important to the Nation’s heritage and identity;

(2) assisting in the preservation and enhancement of the cultural landscape and traditions of the Cane River region;

(3) providing a framework for those who live within this important dynamic cultural landscape to assist in preservation and educational actions; and

(4) minimizing the need for Federal land acquisition and management.

(c) Area included

The heritage area shall include—

(1) an area approximately 1 mile on both sides of the Cane River as depicted on map CARI, 80,000A, dated May 1994;

(2) those properties within the Natchitoches National Historic Landmark District which are the subject of cooperative agreements pursuant to section 410ccc-2(d) of this title;

(3) the Los Adaes State Commemorative Area;

(4) the Fort Jesup State Commemorative Area;

(5) the Fort St. Jean Baptiste State Commemorative Area; and

(6) the Kate Chopin House.

A final identification of all areas and sites to be included in the heritage area shall be included in the heritage area management plan as required in section 410ccc-23 of this title.

(Pub. L. 103-449, title IV, §401, Nov. 2, 1994, 108 Stat. 4760.)

¹So in original. Probably should be “Cane River National Heritage Area Commission.”

²So in original. Probably should be “Heritage Area Commission.”