

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1972 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 92-318 effective after June 30, 1970, see section 506(n) of Pub. L. 92-318, set out as an Effective Date note under section 326a of Title 7, Agriculture.

§ 582a-8. Competitive forestry, natural resources, and environmental grants program

(a) Establishment

The Secretary of Agriculture (hereafter referred to in this section as the "Secretary") shall establish a competitive forestry, natural resources, and environmental grant program to award grants for the conduct of research as described in subsection (c) of this section.

(b) Eligible entities

To be eligible to receive a grant under subsection (a) of this section, an entity shall—

(1) be a State agricultural experiment station, a college or university, a research institution or organization, a Federal agency, a private organization, or a corporation that has a demonstrable capacity to conduct forestry, natural resources, and environmental research as determined by the Secretary; and

(2) prepare and submit to the Secretary, an application at such time, in such manner, and containing such information as the Secretary shall require, including the proposed use of the amounts that may be received under a grant.

(c) Use

In awarding the initial grants under subsection (a) of this section the Secretary shall give priority to applicants who will use such grants for research concerning—

(1) the biology of forest organisms, including physiology, genetic mechanisms, and biotechnology;

(2) ecosystem function and management, including forest ecosystem research, biodiversity, forest productivity, pest management, water resources, and alternative silvicultural systems;

(3) wood as a raw material, including forest products and harvesting;

(4) human forest interactions, including outdoor recreation, public policy formulation, economics, sociology, and administrative behavior;

(5) international trade, competition, and cooperation related to forest products;

(6) alternative native crops, products, and services that can be produced from renewable natural resources associated with privately held forest lands;

(7) viable economic production and marketing systems for alternative natural resource products and services;

(8) economic and environmental benefits of various conservation practices on forest lands;

(9) genetic tree improvement; and

(10) market expansion.

(d) Facilities and equipment

(1) Authority

Grants made under this section may be used to update research facilities and equipment available to facilitate the conduct of state-of-the-art research in forestry, natural resources, and the environment.

(2) Priorities and criteria

The Secretary, in consultation with the Cooperative Forestry Research Council appointed under section 582a-4(b) of this title, may develop criteria and priorities for the awarding of grants for use under paragraph (1).

(e) Recommendations

The Secretary shall request the Cooperative Forestry Research Council referred to in subsection (d)(2) of this section to provide recommendations regarding grant priorities.

(f) Term

The Secretary may make grants under this section for periods of not to exceed 5 years.

(g) Authorization of appropriations

There are authorized to be appropriated such sums as may be necessary to carry out this section.

(Pub. L. 101-624, title XII, § 1232, Nov. 28, 1990, 104 Stat. 3543.)

CODIFICATION

Section was enacted as part of the Forest Stewardship Act of 1990 and as part of the Food, Agriculture, Conservation, and Trade Act of 1990, and not as part of the McIntire-Stennis Act of 1962 which comprises this subchapter.

SUBCHAPTER IV—SUSTAINED-YIELD FOREST MANAGEMENT

§ 583. Establishment of sustained-yield units to stabilize forest industries, employment, communities and taxable wealth

In order to promote the stability of forest industries, of employment, of communities, and of taxable forest wealth, through continuous supplies of timber; in order to provide for a continuous and ample supply of forest products; and in order to secure the benefits of forests in maintenance of water supply, regulation of stream flow, prevention of soil erosion, amelioration of climate, and preservation of wildlife, the Secretary of Agriculture and the Secretary of the Interior are severally authorized to establish by formal declaration, when in their respective interest, cooperative sustained-yield units which shall consist of federally owned or administered forest land under the jurisdiction of the Secretary establishing the unit and, in addition thereto, land which reasonably may be expected to be made the subject of one or more of the cooperative agreements with private landowners authorized by section 583a of this title.

(Mar. 29, 1944, ch. 146, § 1, 58 Stat. 132.)

§ 583a. Cooperative agreements with private owners; privileges of private owners; recording of agreements

The Secretary of Agriculture, with respect to forest land under his jurisdiction, and the Secretary of the Interior, with respect to forest land under his jurisdiction, are severally authorized, for the purposes specified in section 583 of this title, to enter into cooperative agreements with private owners of forest land within a cooperative sustained-yield unit, established pursu-