

described as follows: Beginning at a point on the west line of section 33 which is 456.5 feet south of the northwest corner of section 33, thence running south along the west line of section 33 for a distance of 373.0 feet, thence running east for a distance of 516.8 feet, thence running north for a distance of 132.7 feet, thence running north 65 degrees 06 minutes west for a distance of 570.0 feet along the southwesterly right-of-way of Highway 160 to the point of beginning.

(Pub. L. 88-235, §1, Dec. 23, 1963, 77 Stat. 473.)

**§ 111d. Acquisition of lands within boundaries of park**

The Secretary of the Interior may acquire by purchase, with donated or appropriated funds, lands and interests in lands within the boundaries of Mesa Verde National Park as revised by section 111c of this title.

(Pub. L. 88-235, §2, Dec. 23, 1963, 77 Stat. 474.)

**§ 111e. Authorization of appropriations**

There are hereby authorized to be appropriated such sums, but not more than \$193,233 as may be necessary to carry out the provisions of sections 111c to 111e of this title.

(Pub. L. 88-235, §3, Dec. 23, 1963, 77 Stat. 474; Pub. L. 94-578, title I, §101(8), Oct. 21, 1976, 90 Stat. 2732.)

AMENDMENTS

1976—Pub. L. 94-578 substituted “\$193,233” for “\$125,000”.

**§ 112. Control; regulations; prehistoric ruins**

Mesa Verde National Park shall be under the exclusive control of the Secretary of the Interior. In addition to the duties and powers enumerated in section 3 of this title not inconsistent with this section, he shall establish such service as he may deem necessary for the care and management of the same. Such regulations shall provide specifically for the preservation from injury or spoliation of the ruins and other works and relics of prehistoric or primitive man within said park.

(June 29, 1906, ch. 3607, §2, 34 Stat. 617; June 30, 1913, ch. 4, §1, 38 Stat. 84.)

CODIFICATION

As enacted by act June 29, 1906, this section began with a clause naming the park which was stricken out and inserted as the last sentence of section 111 of this title.

A provision for the making of necessary rules and regulations by the Secretary of the Interior has been omitted by reason of the reference to section 3 of this title, derived from act Aug. 25, 1916, ch. 408, §3, 39 Stat. 535, authorizing the Secretary of the Interior to make and publish rules and regulations applicable to National Parks.

**§ 113. Examinations, excavations, and gathering objects of interest**

The Secretary of the Interior is authorized to permit examinations, excavations, and other gathering of objects of interest within said park by any person or persons whom he may deem properly qualified to conduct such examina-

tions, excavations, or gatherings, subject to such rules and regulations as he may prescribe: *Provided always*, That the examinations, excavations, and gatherings shall be undertaken only for the benefit of some reputable museum, university, college, or other recognized scientific or educational institution, with a view to increasing the knowledge of such objects and aiding the general advancement of archaeological science.

(June 29, 1906, ch. 3607, §3, 34 Stat. 617.)

**§ 114. Removal, disturbance, destruction, or molestation of ruins**

Any person or persons who may otherwise in any manner willfully remove, disturb, destroy, or molest any of the ruins, mounds, buildings, graves, relics, or other evidences of an ancient civilization or other property from said park shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction before any court having jurisdiction of such offenses shall be fined not more than \$1,000 or imprisoned not more than twelve months, or such person or persons may be fined and imprisoned, at the discretion of the judge, and shall be required to restore the property disturbed, if possible.

(June 29, 1906, ch. 3607, §4, 34 Stat. 617.)

**§ 115. Leases and permits; prehistoric ruins not included**

The Secretary of the Interior may, upon terms and conditions to be fixed by him, grant leases and permits for the use of the land or development of the resources thereof, in the Mesa Verde National Park, and the funds derived therefrom shall be covered into the Treasury of the United States. Such leases or grants shall not include any of the prehistoric ruins in said park or exclude the public from free or convenient access thereto.

(June 25, 1910, ch. 385, §1, 36 Stat. 796.)

**§ 115a. Mineral resources; exploitation**

After January 26, 1931, no permit, license, lease, or other authorization for the prospecting, development, or utilization of the mineral resources within the Mesa Verde National Park, Colorado, shall be granted or made.

(Jan. 26, 1931, ch. 47, §1, 46 Stat. 1043.)

**§ 116. Repealed. Dec. 16, 1930, ch. 14, §1, 46 Stat. 1028**

Section, act June 12, 1917, ch. 27, §1, 40 Stat. 152, related to donations of lands or rights-of-way. See section 6 of this title.

**§ 117. Exclusive jurisdiction ceded to United States by Colorado; saving provisions; fugitives from justice**

Sole and exclusive jurisdiction is assumed by the United States over the territory embraced and included within the Mesa Verde National Park, saving, however, to the State of Colorado the right to serve civil or criminal process within the limits of the aforesaid park in suits or prosecutions for or on account of rights acquired, obligations incurred, or crimes commit-