§194. Lands held in private, municipal, or State ownership not affected

No lands located within the park boundaries held in private, municipal, or State ownership on January 26, 1915, shall be affected by or subject to the provisions of sections 191, 193, 195, and 195a of this title.

(Jan. 26, 1915, ch. 19, §3, 38 Stat. 800.)

§195. Control; regulations; leases; sale and removal of timber

Rocky Mountain National Park shall be under the executive control of the Secretary of the Interior, and it shall be the duty of the said executive authority, as soon as practicable, to make and publish such reasonable rules and regulations, not inconsistent with the laws of the United States, as the said authority may deem necessary or proper for the care, protection, management, and improvement of the same, the said regulations being primarily aimed at the freest use of the said park for recreation purposes by the public and for the preservation of the natural conditions and scenic beauties thereof. The said authority may, in his discretion, execute leases to parcels of ground not exceeding twenty acres in extent in any one place to any person or company for not to exceed twenty years whenever such ground is necessary for the erection of establishments for the accommodation of visitors, may grant such other necessary privileges and concessions as he deems wise for the accommodation of visitors, and may likewise arrange for the removal of such mature or dead or down timber as he may deem necessary and advisable for the protection and improvement of the park. The regulations governing the park shall include provisions for the use of automobiles therein:¹ The Secretary of the Interior is authorized to accept patented lands or rights of way over patented lands in the Rocky Mountain National Park that may be donated for park purposes.

(Jan. 26, 1915, ch. 19, §4, 38 Stat. 800; June 12, 1917, ch. 27, §1, 40 Stat. 152; Mar. 1, 1919, ch. 88, 40 Stat. 1270.)

CODIFICATION

Section, with the exception of the last sentence, was from section 4 of act Jan. 26, 1915.

The last sentence was from section 1 of act June 12, 1917.

Amendments

1919—Act Mar. 1, 1919, ch. 88, struck out "*Provided*, That no appropriation for the maintenance, supervision, or improvement of said park in excess of \$10,000 annually shall be made unless the same shall have first been expressly authorized by law" after "automobiles therein:".

Obligation of Fees for Transportation Services at Zion or Rocky Mountain National Parks

Pub. L. 108-7, div. F, title I, §140, Feb. 20, 2003, 117 Stat. 244, provided that: "In fiscal year 2003 and each fiscal year thereafter, notwithstanding any other provision of law, with respect to a service contract for the provision solely of transportation services at Zion National Park or Rocky Mountain National Park, the

¹So in original.

Secretary of the Interior may obligate the expenditure of fees expected to be received in that fiscal year before the fees are received, so long as total obligations do not exceed fee collections retained at Zion National Park or Rocky Mountain National Park, respectively, by the end of that fiscal year."

EXPENDITURE OF FUNDS OUTSIDE AUTHORIZED BOUNDARY OF ROCKY MOUNTAIN NATIONAL PARK

Pub. L. 104–333, div. I, title VIII, §810, Nov. 12, 1996, 110 Stat. 4189, provided that: "The Secretary of the Interior is authorized to collect and expend donated funds and expend appropriated funds for the operation and maintenance of a visitor center to be constructed for visitors to and administration of Rocky Mountain National Park with private funds on privately owned lands located outside the boundary of the park."

§195a. North St. Vrain Creek and adjacent lands

Neither the Secretary of the Interior nor any other Federal agency or officer may approve or issue any permit for, or provide any assistance for, the construction of any new dam, reservoir, or impoundment on any segment of North St. Vrain Creek or its tributaries within the boundaries of Rocky Mountain National Park or on the main stem of North St. Vrain Creek downstream to the point at which the creek crosses the elevation 6,550 feet above mean sea level. Nothing in this section shall be construed to prevent the issuance of any permit for the construction of a new water gauging station on North St. Vrain Creek at the point of its confluence with Coulson Gulch.

(Jan. 26, 1915, ch. 19, §5, as added Pub. L. 104-333, div. I, title IV, §408(a), Nov. 12, 1996, 110 Stat. 4153.)

§196. Use for Arbuckle Reservoir

The Secretary of the Interior is authorized in his discretion to permit, by license, lease, or other authorization, the use of necessary land in the Rocky Mountain National Park for the maintenance and operation in its present height and capacity, of the Arbuckle Number 2 Reservoir.

(June 9, 1926, ch. 515, §2, 44 Stat. 714.)

§197. Applicability of other laws

The provisions of the Act of January 26, 1915, entitled "An Act to establish the Rocky Mountain National Park in the State of Colorado, and for other purposes," and Act of August 25, 1916, entitled "An Act to establish a national-park service, and for other purposes,"¹ and all Acts supplementary to and amendatory of said Acts are made applicable to and extended over the lands hereby added to the park: *Provided*, That the provisions of the Federal Power Act [16 U.S.C. 791a et seq.] shall not apply to or extend over such lands.

(June 9, 1926, ch. 515, §3, 44 Stat. 714.)

References in Text

The Act of January 26, 1915, entitled "An Act to establish the Rocky Mountain National Park in the State of Colorado, and for other purposes,", referred to in text, is act Jan. 26, 1915, ch. 19, 38 Stat. 798, which enacted sections 191 and 193 to 195a of this title. For complete classification of this Act to the Code, see Tables.

¹See References in Text note below.