

Florida, and more particularly described in the masters deed dated December 21, 1962, in the proceeding entitled “The Connecticut Mutual Life Insurance Company against Toni Iori, a single man; Peter Iori and Helen Iori, his wife, d/b/a Iori Bros., et al.,” No. 61C-3823, in the Circuit Court of the Eleventh Judicial Circuit of Florida, in and for Dade County, and recorded in the official records of said county in book 3494 at page 457, or in any modification of such masters deed, for administration as a part of the Everglades National Park. Such transfer will be made by the Farmers Home Administration, Department of Agriculture, to the Secretary of¹ Interior, only after the Farmers Home Administration’s emergency credit revolving fund has been fully reimbursed for all cost incurred by it in connection with the aforesaid land. Such transfer may be accepted when title to the property is vested in the United States.

(Pub. L. 88-588, §1, Sept. 12, 1964, 78 Stat. 933.)

§ 410r-4. Authorization of appropriations for reimbursement of revolving fund

There is hereby authorized to be appropriated to the emergency credit revolving fund, upon the transfer authorized in section 410r-3 of this title, such sum as may be necessary but not in excess of \$452,000 to reimburse the fund for costs incurred by the Farmers Home Administration in connection with the aforesaid property.

(Pub. L. 88-588, §2, Sept. 12, 1964, 78 Stat. 933.)

§ 410r-5. Findings, purposes, and definitions

(a) Findings

The Congress makes the following findings:

(1) The Everglades National Park is a nationally and internationally significant resource and the park has been adversely affected and continues to be adversely affected by external factors which have altered the ecosystem including the natural hydrologic conditions within the park.

(2) The existing boundary of Everglades National Park excludes the contiguous lands and waters of the Northeast Shark River Slough that are vital to long-term protection of the park and restoration of natural hydrologic conditions within the park.

(3) Wildlife resources and their associated habitats have been adversely impacted by the alteration of natural hydrologic conditions within the park, which has contributed to an overall decline in fishery resources and a 90 percent population loss of wading birds.

(4) Incorporation of the Northeast Shark River Slough and the East Everglades within the park will limit further losses suffered by the park due to habitat destruction outside the present park boundaries and will preserve valuable ecological resources for use and enjoyment by future generations.

(5) The State of Florida and certain of its political subdivisions or agencies have indicated a willingness to transfer approximately 35,000 acres of lands under their jurisdiction to the park in order to protect lands and water with-

in the park, and may so transfer additional lands in the future.

(6) The State of Florida has proposed a joint Federal-State effort to protect Everglades National Park through the acquisition of additional lands.

(b) Purposes

The purposes of sections 410r-5 to 410r-8 of this title are to—

(1) increase the level of protection of the outstanding natural values of Everglades National Park and to enhance and restore the ecological values, natural hydrologic conditions, and public enjoyment of such area by adding the area commonly known as the Northeast Shark River Slough and the East Everglades to Everglades National Park; and

(2) assure that the park is managed in order to maintain the natural abundance, diversity, and ecological integrity of native plants and animals, as well as the behavior of native animals, as a part of their ecosystem.

(c) Definitions

As used in sections 410r-5 to 410r-8 of this title:

(1) The term “Secretary” means the Secretary of the Interior.

(2) The term “addition” means the approximately 107,600 acre area of the East Everglades area authorized to be added to Everglades National Park by sections 410r-5 to 410r-8 of this title.

(3) The term “park” means the area encompassing the existing boundary of Everglades National Park and the addition area described in paragraph (2).

(4) The term “project” means the Central and Southern Florida Project.

(Pub. L. 101-229, title I, §101, Dec. 13, 1989, 103 Stat. 1946.)

SHORT TITLE OF 1997 AMENDMENT

Pub. L. 105-82, §1, Nov. 13, 1997, 111 Stat. 1540, provided that: “This Act [amending section 410r-7 of this title, enacting provisions set out as a note under section 410r-7 of this title, and amending provisions listed in a table of Wilderness Areas set out under section 1132 of this title] may be cited as the ‘Marjory Stoneman Douglas Wilderness and Ernest F. Coe Visitor Center Designation Act’.”

SHORT TITLE

Pub. L. 101-229, §1, Dec. 13, 1989, 103 Stat. 1946, provided that: “This Act [enacting this section and sections 410r-6 to 410r-8 of this title] may be cited as the ‘Everglades National Park Protection and Expansion Act of 1989’.”

§ 410r-6. Boundary modification

(a) Area included

(1) In general

The park boundary is hereby modified to include approximately 107,600 acres as generally depicted on the map entitled “Boundary Map, Everglades National Park Addition, Dade County, Florida”, numbered 160-20,013B and dated September 1989.

(2) Availability of map

The map shall be on file and available for public inspection in the offices of the National Park Service, Department of the Interior.

¹ So in original. Probably should be “of the”.