and formulation of plans for beach erosion control and hurricane protection of the seashore. Any such protective works or spoil deposit activities undertaken by the Chief of Engineers, Department of the Army, shall be carried out within the seashore in accordance with a plan that is acceptable to the Secretary of the Interior and that is consistent with the purposes of sections 459h to 459h–10 of this title.

(Pub. L. 91-660, §6, Jan. 8, 1971, 84 Stat. 1969.)

## § 459h-6. Transfer of Horn Island and Petit Bois National Wildlife Refuges from National Wildlife Refuge System; administration

(a) There are hereby transferred from the National Wildlife Refuge System to the seashore the Horn Island and Petit Bois National Wildlife Refuges to be administered in accordance with the provisions of sections 459h to 459h–10 of this title.

(b) If any of the Federal land on Santa Rosa or Okaloosa Island, Florida, under the jurisdiction of the Department of Defense is ever excess to the needs of the Armed Forces, the Secretary of Defense shall transfer the excess land to the administrative jurisdiction of the Secretary of the Interior, subject to the terms and conditions acceptable to the Secretary of the Interior and the Secretary of Defense. The Secretary of the Interior shall administer the transferred land as part of the seashore in accordance with the provisions of sections 459h to 459h–10 of this title.

(Pub. L. 91–660, §7, Jan. 8, 1971, 84 Stat. 1969; Pub. L. 109–163, div. B, title XXVIII, §2872(b), Jan. 6, 2006, 119 Stat. 3535.)

### AMENDMENTS

 $2006—Pub.\ L.\ 109–163$  designated existing provisions as subsec. (a) and added subsec. (b).

TRANSFER OF EXCESS DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE PROPERTY ON SANTA ROSA AND OKALOOSA ISLAND, FLORIDA, TO GULF ISLANDS NATIONAL SEASHORE

Pub. L. 109–163, div. B, title XXVIII, §2872(a), Jan. 6, 2006, 119 Stat. 3534, provided that: "Congress finds the following:

"(1) Public Law 91-660 of the 91st Congress [16 U.S.C. 459h et seq.] established the Gulf Islands National Seashore in the States of Florida and Mississippi.

"(2) The original boundaries of the Gulf Islands National Seashore encompassed certain Federal land used by the Air Force and the Navy, and the use of such land was still required by the Armed Forces when the seashore was established.

"(3) Senate Report 91–1514 of the 91th Congress addressed the relationship between these military lands and the Gulf Islands National Seashore as follows: While the military use of these lands is presently required, they remain virtually free of adverse development and they are included in the boundaries of the seashore so that they can be wholly or partially transferred to the Department of the Interior when they become excess to the needs of the Air Force."

"(4) Although section 2(a) of Public Law 91–660 (16 U.S.C. 459h–1(a)) authorized the eventual transfer of Federal land within the boundaries of the Gulf Islands National Seashore from the Department of Defense to the Secretary of the Interior, an amendment mandating the transfer of excess Department of Defense land on Santa Rosa and Okaloosa Island, Florida, to the Secretary of the Interior is required to ensure that the purposes of the Gulf Islands National Seashore are fulfilled."

# § 459h-7. Preservation of any area as wilderness; study and report to President; procedure for designation of any area as a wilderness

Within four years from January 8, 1971, the Secretary of the Interior shall review the area within the Gulf Islands National Seashore and shall report to the President, in accordance with subsections (c) and (d) of section 1132 of this title, and recommend as to the suitability or nonsuitability of any area within the seashore for preservation as wilderness, and any designation of any such area as a wilderness shall be accomplished in accordance with said subsections.

(Pub. L. 91-660, §8, Jan. 8, 1971, 84 Stat. 1969.)

#### § 459h-8. Authority of Department of Army or Chief of Engineers over navigation or related matters

No provision of sections 459h to 459h-10 of this title, or of any other Act made applicable thereby, shall be construed to affect, supersede, or modify any authority of the Department of the Army or the Chief of Engineers, with respect to navigation or related matters except as specifically provided in section 459h-5 of this title.

(Pub. L. 91–660, §9, Jan. 8, 1971, 84 Stat. 1969.)

# § 459h-9. Gulf Islands National Seashore Advisory Commission; establishment; termination; membership; term; Chairman; compensation and payment of expenses; consultation by Secretary

There is hereby established a Gulf Islands National Seashore Advisory Commission. The Commission shall terminate ten years after the date the seashore is established pursuant to sections 459h to 459h-10 of this title. The Commission shall be composed of three members from each county in which the seashore is located, each appointed for a term of two years by the Secretary as follows:

- (1) one member to be appointed from recommendations made by the county commissioners in the respective counties;
- (2) one member to be appointed from recommendations made by the Governor of the State from each county; and
- (3) one member to be designated by the Secretary from each county.

*Provided*, That two members shall be appointed to the Advisory Commission in each instance in counties whose population exceeds one hundred thousand.

The Secretary shall designate one member to be Chairman. Any vacancy in the Commission shall be filled in the same manner in which the original appointment was made.

Members of the Commission shall serve without compensation as such. The Secretary is authorized to pay the expenses reasonably incurred by the Commission in carrying out its responsibilities under sections 459h to 459h–10 of this title on vouchers signed by the Chairman.

The Secretary or his designee shall, from time to time, consult with the Commission with respect to the matters relating to the development of the Gulf Islands National Seashore.

(Pub. L. 91-660, §10, Jan. 8, 1971, 84 Stat. 1969.)

#### TERMINATION OF ADVISORY COMMISSIONS

Advisory commissions in existence on Jan. 5, 1973, to terminate not later than the expiration of the 2-year period following Jan. 5, 1973, unless, in the case of a commission established by the President or an officer of the Federal Government, such commission is renewed by appropriate action prior to the expiration of such 2-year period, or in the case of a commission established by the Congress, its duration is otherwise provided by law. See sections 3(2) and 14 of Pub. L. 92–463, Oct. 6, 1972, 86 Stat. 770, 776, set out in the Appendix to Title 5, Government Organization and Employees.

# § 459h-10. Authorization of appropriations

### (a) In general

There are authorized to be appropriated not more than \$22,162,000 for the acquisition of lands and interests in lands and not more than \$24,224,000 for development.

#### (b) Authorization for acquisition of land

In addition to the funds authorized by subsection (a), there are authorized to be appropriated such sums as are necessary to acquire land and submerged land on and adjacent to Cat Island, Mississippi.

(Pub. L. 91–660, §11, Jan. 8, 1971, 84 Stat. 1970; Pub. L. 92–275, §1(2), Apr. 20, 1972, 86 Stat. 123; Pub. L. 94–578, title I, §101(6), Oct. 21, 1976, 90 Stat. 2732; Pub. L. 95–625, title I, §101(13), Nov. 10, 1978, 92 Stat. 3471; Pub. L. 106–554, §1(a)(4) [div. B, title I, §137(e)], Dec. 21, 2000, 114 Stat. 2763, 2763A–232.)

#### AMENDMENTS

2000—Pub. L. 106-554 designated existing provisions as subsec. (a), inserted heading, and added subsec. (b).

1978—Pub. L. 95-625 substituted "\$24,224,000 for development." for "\$17,774,000 (June 1970 prices) for development, plus or minus such amounts, if any, as may be justified by reason of ordinary fluctuations in construction costs as indicated by engineering cost indices applicable to the types of construction involved herein."

1976—Pub. L. 94–578 substituted "\$22,162,000" for "\$3,462,000".

1972—Pub. L. 92–275 increased appropriations authorization for lands and land interests from \$3,120,000 to \$3,462,000 and for development from \$14,779,000 (1970 prices) to \$17,774,000 (June 1970 prices).

# § 459i. Cumberland Island National Seashore; establishment; boundary revisions: notification of Congressional committees, publication in Federal Register

In order to provide for public outdoor recreation use and enjoyment of certain significant shoreline lands and waters of the United States, and to preserve related scenic, scientific, and historical values, there is established in the State of Georgia the Cumberland Island National Seashore (hereinafter referred to as the "seashore") consisting of the area generally depicted on the drawing entitled "Boundary Map, Cumberland Island National Seashore", numbered CUIS 40,000E, and dated January 1978, which shall be on file and available for public inspection in the offices of the National Park Service, Department of the Interior. The Secretary of the Interior (hereinafter referred to as the "Secretary") may after notifying the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources of the Senate and the Committee on Natural Resources of the House of Representatives in writing, make minor adjustments in the boundary of the seashore from time to time by publication of a revised drawing or other boundary description in the Federal Register, but the total acreage within the boundaries shall not exceed forty thousand five hundred acres.

(Pub. L. 92–536, §1, Oct. 23, 1972, 86 Stat. 1066; Pub. L. 95–625, title III, §323, Nov. 10, 1978, 92 Stat. 3489; Pub. L. 98–170, Nov. 29, 1983, 97 Stat. 1116; Pub. L. 103–437, §6(*l*), Nov. 2, 1994, 108 Stat. 4586.)

#### AMENDMENTS

1994—Pub. L. 103–437 substituted "Committee on Energy and Natural Resources of the Senate and the Committee on Natural Resources of the House of Representatives" for "Committees on Interior and Insular Affairs of the United States House of Representatives and United States Senate".

1983—Pub. L. 98–170 substituted "CUIS 40,000E" for "CUIS 40,000D".

1978—Pub. L. 95-625 substituted reference to Boundary Map "numbered CUIS 40,000D, and dated January 1978" for "numbered CUIS—40,000B, and dated June 1971".

#### SHORT TITLE OF 2004 AMENDMENT

Pub. L. 108–447, div. E, title I, §145(c), Dec. 8, 2004, 118 Stat. 3074, provided that: "This section [amending section 459i–5 of this title and provisions listed in a table of Wilderness Areas set out under section 1132 of this title] may be cited as the 'Cumberland Island Wilderness Boundary Adjustment Act of 2004'."

# § 459i-1. Acquisition of lands; authority of Secretary; mainland lands for access to seashore administrative and visitor facilities; State lands; transfer from Federal agency to administrative jurisdiction of Secretary

Within the boundaries of the seashore, the Secretary may acquire lands, waters, and interests therein by purchase, donation, transfer from any Federal agency, or exchange. The Secretary may also acquire not to exceed one hundred acres of lands or interests in lands on the mainland to provide access to the administrative and visitor facilities for the seashore. Any lands or interests therein owned by the State of Georgia, or any political subdivision thereof may be acquired only by donation. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, any Federal property located within the boundaries of the seashore may, with the concurrence of the agency having custody thereof, be transferred without transfer of funds to the administrative jurisdiction of the Secretary for the purposes of the seashore.

(Pub. L. 92-536, §2, Oct. 23, 1972, 86 Stat. 1066.)

# § 459i-2. Cumberland Island Parkway; right-ofway; administration; regulations

For the purpose of providing access from Interstate 95 to the mainland administrative and visitor facilities of the seashore, the Secretary may designate as the Cumberland Island Parkway a right-of-way, together with adjacent or related sites for public noncommercial recreational use and for interpretation of scenic and historic values, of not more than one thou-