used for educational purposes to the appropriate school district; and

"(c) highway improvements in and connecting the town and Grand Coulee areas and the bridge across the Columbia River, together with the necessary rights-of-way therefor to the State of Washington.

'SEC. 7. [AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS]. (a) There is hereby made available out of the proceeds of sales made pursuant to section 3 of this Act an amount not to exceed \$130,000 for expenditure, directly or through the local units of government involved, for work in connection with the disposal of sewage in the immediate vicinity of the town of Coulee Dam and the city of Grand Coulee, including betterment work on the existing open drain along the north side of the highway through the city of Grand Coulee. Of this amount the Secretary shall pay not more than \$100,000 to Grand Coulee and not more than \$30,000 to the municipality. Except to the extent that any expenditures have been made directly as provided in the preceding sentence, the Secretary shall, upon application, pay to Grand Coulee the amount of \$10,000 and to the municipality the amount of \$3,000 for engineering surveys and drafting of specifications for proposed construction and/or improvement of sewage disposal and drainage facilities. After final drawings and specifications have been approved by the Secretary and the construction contracts have been entered into, the Secretary shall pay monthly to Grand Coulee and to the municipality additional amounts equivalent to earnings under their contracts as evidenced by construction progress reports certified by their contractors and by Grand Coulee and the municipality, but not to exceed a total of \$90,000 for the former and \$27,000 for the latter.

"(b) Subject to the provisions of subsection 9(a) of this Act, the following amounts shall be made available, out of the proceeds of sales made pursuant to section 3 of this Act, to the municipality if incorporated within four years from the date of this Act [Aug. 30, 1957]: (1) On incorporation, \$44,000; (2) at the end of one year after incorporation, \$21,000; and (3) at the end of two years after incorporation, \$15,000.

"(c) The Secretary is hereby authorized to make available as herein provided, as power and energy reserved for the operation and maintenance of the Columbia Basin project, for users in the town area and, to other communities within three and one-half miles of Grand Coulee Dam which are served by municipally owned distribution systems such amount of power and energy as, in his judgment, is needed to meet load requirements for space-heating purposes existing at the time of incorporation of the municipality. Such power and energy may be made available directly to the users or indirectly through distributing agencies, for a period of ten years from the date of this Act [Aug. 30, 1957] and may be at such special rates as the Secretary finds to be proper but at not less than cost.

SEC. 8. [TAXES ON PROPERTY SOLD UNDER CONTRACTS DEFERRING TRANSFER OF TITLE]. Property sold under any contract deferring transfer of title pending payment of the purchase price upon recordation of such contract in the county records shall be subject to the provisions of the laws of the State of Washington relating to the assessment and collection of property taxes. and to liens for such taxes and to all proceedings for the enforcement thereof, in the same manner and to the same extent as privately owned property. The United States does not assume any obligation for the amounts so assessed or taxed; and any proceedings to enforce them shall be subject to any title then remaining in the United States and to any prior lien reserved to the United States for unpaid installments under sale contracts made hereunder.

"SEC. 9. [PROCEEDS FROM SALES]. (a) All proceeds from sales of property (including the assignment of contracts) authorized under section 2 of this Act are hereby appropriated for expenditure by the Secretary for (1) expenses of disposal of Federal property under this Act, including rebates, where appropriate, to vendees of the United States entitled to the discount pro-

vided under section 3 of this Act for attainment of early incorporation of the municipality, and (2) for purposes authorized in subsection 7(a) and (1) of subsection 7(b) of this Act: *Provided*, That amounts referred to in (2) and (3) of subsection 7(b) of this Act shall be expended only after specific appropriation has been made by Congress therefor. So much of the aforesaid proceeds as is in excess of amounts which may be necessary for expenditures referred to in this subsection shall be covered into the reclamation fund.

"(b) Transfers under this Act of Federal property to non-Federal ownership shall not result in any diminution of the reimbursable costs of the Columbia Basin project except to the extent that any net proceeds from sales of property under this Act are credited to said project.

"SEC. 10 [RIGHTS UNDER LEASES]. Transfers of Federal property under this Act shall not impair rights under leases granted by the United States.

"Sec. 11. [Powers of Secretary; Rules and Regula-TIONS; APPROPRIATION; CONTRACTS]. (a) The Secretary is authorized to perform such acts, to make such rules and regulations, and to include in any contracts and conveyances such provisions as he deems proper for the purpose of carrying out the provisions of this Act, including provisions for payment for furnishing of municipal facilities and services while such facilities and services are provided by the United States and for the establishment of liens in connection therewith. There are hereby authorized to be appropriated such sums, not otherwise appropriated, as may be required to carry out the purposes of this Act. Wherever in this Act functions, powers, and other duties are conferred upon the Secretary, such functions, powers, and duties may be performed, exercised, or discharged by his duly authorized representatives.

"(b) The Secretary is authorized to enter into contracts with the municipality whereby either party might undertake to render to the other such services in aid of the performance of activities and functions of the municipality and of the Department of the Interior within or near Coulee Dam as will, in the Secretary's judgment, contribute substantially to the efficiency or economy of the operations of the Department of the Interior.

"(c) The authority conferred by this Act is in addition to any authority conferred by any other law and shall not be subject to the provisions of any law inconsistent herewith.

"SEC. 12. [SHORT TITLE]. This Act may be cited as the 'Coulee Dam Community Act of 1957'."

## § 835c-1. Taxation and assessments; applicability of State laws

### (a) Payments in lieu of taxes

The Secretary may enter into agreements to pay annual sums in lieu of taxes to any State or political subdivision thereof with respect to any real property situated therein after it is acquired pursuant to the authority of this Act and before execution by the United States of a contract of sale covering it, out of funds derived from the leasing of such lands. The amount so paid for any year upon any such property shall not exceed the taxes that would be paid to the State or subdivision as the case may be upon such property if it were not exempt from taxation thereby.

### (b) Lands acquired by United States

Any public lands within the project and any lands or interests in lands acquired by the United States under this Act, beginning at such date or dates and subject to such provisions and limitations as may be fixed or provided by regulations made under section 8 [16 U.S.C. 835c-4],

shall be (i) subject to the provisions of the laws of the State of Washington relating to the organization, government, and regulation of irrigation, reclamation, and conservancy districts, and (ii) subject to legal assessment or taxation by any such district, and to liens for such assessments and taxes and to all proceedings for the enforcement thereof, in the same manner and to the same extent as privately owned lands of like character. The United States does not assume any obligation for amounts so assessed or taxed; and any proceedings to enforce them shall be subject to any title then remaining in the United States, to any prior lien reserved to the United States for unpaid installments under land sale contracts made under this Act, and to any lien for any other charges, accrued or unaccrued, under and by virtue of such contracts or any contract between the United States and the district in which the land is located.

### (c) Sale of project lands

In addition to taxation or assessment under subsection (b) upon execution by the United States of a contract of sale of any lands within the project, the lands under contract may be taxed by the State or political subdivision thereof in the same manner and to the same extent as privately owned lands of a like character. All taxes legally so assessed may be enforced in the same manner and under the same proceeding whereby said taxes are enforced against privately owned lands, subject to the limitations in favor of the United States that govern the enforcement of district assessments or taxes as provided in subsection (b). If lands under any such contract shall at any time revert to the United States before transfer of title under the contract by reason of default thereunder, all liens or tax titles resulting from taxes levied pursuant to the authority of this subsection upon such lands shall be thereupon extinguished; and the levying of any such tax by such State or political subdivision shall be deemed to be an agreement on its part, in the event of such reversion, to execute and record a formal release of such lien or tax title.

(May 27, 1937, ch. 269, §5, as added Mar. 10, 1943, ch. 14, 57 Stat. 19; amended Pub. L. 87–728, §6(a), Oct. 1, 1962, 76 Stat. 679.)

### REFERENCES IN TEXT

This Act, referred to in subsecs. (a) and (b), is act May 27, 1937, ch. 269, as amended generally by act Mar. 10, 1943, ch. 14, 57 Stat. 14, known as The Columbia Basin Project Act, which enacted this section, sections 835, 835a to 835c, and 835c–2 to 835c–5 of this title, and provisions set out as a note under section 835 of this title. For complete classification of this Act to the Code, see Short Title note set out under section 835 of this title and Tables.

#### AMENDMENTS

1962—Subsec. (b). Pub. L. 87–728 struck out "Regulations to carry out this subsection shall be effective when filed for record in the manner provided in section 835a(f) of this title".

## §835c-2. Authorization of appropriations; establishment of Columbia Basin Land Development Account

There are authorized to be appropriated, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appro-

priated, such moneys as may be necessary to carry out the provisions of this Act, to be reimbursable to the extent required by this Act. All revenues received in carrying out the provisions of section 4 hereof [16 U.S.C. 835c] shall be covered into the General Treasury as miscellaneous receipts. Amounts equal to appropriated funds requisitioned by the Secretary and made available for disbursement on the books of the Treasurer of the United States shall be debited in a special account in the Treasury, to be known as the Columbia Basin Land Development Account. Amounts equal to revenues covered into the General Treasury as miscellaneous receipts shall be credited in said special account. After such credits equal the amount of the debits with interest thereon at the rate of 3 per centum per annum from the respective dates of the debits, additional credits in said special account shall be made by the Secretary, in the manner determined by him, the basis of corresponding credits to the construction cost obligations of the district or districts entering into contracts for the repayment thereof.

(May 27, 1937, ch. 269, §6, as added Mar. 10, 1943, ch. 14, 57 Stat. 19; amended Pub. L. 87–728, §6(b), Oct. 1, 1962, 76 Stat. 679.)

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### AMENDMENTS

 $1962\mathrm{-Pub}.$  L.  $87\mathrm{-}728$  substituted "for the repayment thereof" for "under section 835a of this title".

### § 835c-3. Repealed. Pub. L. 87-728, § 3, Oct. 1, 1962. 76 Stat. 678

Section, act May 27, 1937, ch. 269, §7, as added Mar. 10, 1943, ch. 14, 57 Stat. 20; amended Sept. 27, 1950, ch. 1060, 64 Stat. 1074, related to the consent of the State of Washington to the provisions of sections 835 and 835a to 835c-5 of this title, and to the effect of constitutional limitations.

# § 835c-4. General powers of Secretary of the Interior; delegation to authorized representatives

The Secretary is authorized to perform such acts, to make such rules and regulations, and to include in contracts relating to the Columbia Basin project such provisions as he deems proper for carrying out the provisions of this Act; and in connection with sales or exchanges under the Act, he is authorized to effect conveyances without regard to the law governing the patenting of public lands. Wherever in this Act functions, powers, or duties are conferred upon the Secretary, said functions, powers, or duties may be performed, exercised, or discharged by his duly authorized representatives.

(May 27, 1937, ch. 269, §8, as added Mar. 10, 1943, ch. 14, 57 Stat. 20; amended Pub. L. 87–728, §6(c), Oct. 1, 1962, 76 Stat. 679.)