

(Pub. L. 104-43, title VII, §705, Nov. 3, 1995, 109 Stat. 394.)

§ 5705. Exemption

The Federal Advisory Committee Act (5 U.S.C. App.) shall not apply to the Panel, the Yukon River Joint Technical Committee, or the Advisory Committee created under section 5704 of this title.

(Pub. L. 104-43, title VII, §706, Nov. 3, 1995, 109 Stat. 394.)

REFERENCES IN TEXT

The Federal Advisory Committee Act, referred to in text, is Pub. L. 92-463, Oct. 6, 1972, 86 Stat. 770, as amended, which is set out in the Appendix to Title 5, Government Organization and Employees.

§ 5706. Authority and responsibility

(a) Responsible management entity

The State of Alaska Department of Fish and Game shall be the responsible management entity for the United States for the purposes of the Agreement.

(b) Effect of designation

The designation under subsection (a) of this section shall not be considered to expand, diminish, or change the management authority of the State of Alaska or the Federal Government with respect to fishery resources.

(c) Recommendations of Panel

In addition to recommendations made by the Panel to the responsible management entities in accordance with the Agreement, the Panel may make recommendations concerning the conservation and management of salmon originating in the Yukon River to the Department of the Interior, Department of Commerce, Department of State, North Pacific Fishery Management Council, and other Federal or State entities as appropriate. Recommendations by the Panel shall be advisory in nature.

(Pub. L. 104-43, title VII, §707, Nov. 3, 1995, 109 Stat. 394.)

§ 5707. Continuation of Agreement

In the event that the Treaty between Canada and the United States of America concerning Pacific Salmon, signed at Ottawa, January 28, 1985, terminates prior to the termination of the Agreement, and the functions of the Panel are assumed by the "Yukon River Salmon Commission" referenced in the Agreement, the provisions of this subchapter which apply to the Panel shall thereafter apply to the Yukon River Salmon Commission, and the other provisions of this subchapter shall remain in effect.

(Pub. L. 104-43, title VII, §708, Nov. 3, 1995, 109 Stat. 394.)

§ 5708. Administrative matters

(a) Compensation of Panel members

Panel members and alternate Panel members who are not State or Federal employees shall receive compensation at the daily rate of GS-15 of the General Schedule when engaged in the actual performance of duties.

(b) Travel and other expenses

Travel and other necessary expenses shall be paid for all Panel members, alternate Panel members, United States members of the Joint Technical Committee, and members of the Advisory Committee when engaged in the actual performance of duties.

(c) Status as Federal employees

Except for officials of the United States Government, individuals described in subsection (b) of this section shall not be considered to be Federal employees while engaged in the actual performance of duties, except for the purposes of injury compensation or tort claims liability as provided in chapter 81 of title 5 and chapter 71¹ of title 28.

(Pub. L. 104-43, title VII, §709, Nov. 3, 1995, 109 Stat. 395.)

REFERENCES IN TEXT

The General Schedule, referred to in subsec. (a), is set out under section 5332 of Title 5, Government Organization and Employees.

§ 5709. Authorization of appropriations

There are authorized to be appropriated \$4,000,000 for each fiscal year for carrying out the purposes and provisions of the Agreement and this subchapter including—

(1) necessary travel expenses of Panel members, alternate Panel members, United States members of the Joint Technical Committee, and members of the Advisory Committee in accordance with Federal Travel Regulations and sections 5701, 5702, 5704 through 5708, and 5731 of title 5;

(2) the United States share of the joint expenses of the Panel and the Joint Technical Committee: *Provided*, That Panel members and alternate Panel members shall not, with respect to commitments concerning the United States share of the joint expenses, be subject to section 262(b)¹ of title 22, insofar as it limits the authority of United States representatives to international organizations with respect to such commitments;

(3) not more than \$3,000,000 for each fiscal year to the Department of the Interior and to the Department of Commerce for survey, restoration, and enhancement activities related to Yukon River salmon; and

(4) \$400,000 in each of fiscal years 1996, 1997, 1998, and 1999 to be contributed to the Yukon River Restoration and Enhancement Fund and used in accordance with the Agreement.

(Pub. L. 104-43, title VII, §710, Nov. 3, 1995, 109 Stat. 395.)

SUBCHAPTER II—CONSERVATION AND MANAGEMENT

§ 5721. Yukon River Salmon Panel

(a) Establishment

(1) In general

There shall be a Yukon River Salmon Panel (in this subchapter referred to as the "Panel").

¹ So in original. Probably should be chapter "171".

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