

§ 2907. Reporting**(a) In general**

Not later than September 30, 2008, and every 2 years thereafter, the Secretary, after considering the advice and recommendations of the Council, shall transmit to Congress a report on the results of activities carried out under this chapter.

(b) Contents of report

A report under subsection (a) of this section shall include—

(1) data on the number of acres of estuary habitat restored under this chapter, including descriptions of, and partners involved with, projects selected, in progress, and completed under this chapter that comprise those acres;

(2) information from the database established under section 2906(b) of this title related to ongoing monitoring of projects to ensure that short-term and long-term restoration goals are achieved;

(3) an estimate of the long-term success of varying restoration techniques used in carrying out estuary habitat restoration projects;

(4) a review of how the information described in paragraphs (1) through (3) has been incorporated in the selection and implementation of estuary habitat restoration projects;

(5) a review of efforts made to maintain an appropriate database of restoration projects carried out under this chapter; and

(6) a review of the measures taken to provide the information described in paragraphs (1) through (3) to persons with responsibility for assisting in the restoration of estuary habitat.

(Pub. L. 106-457, title I, §108, Nov. 7, 2000, 114 Stat. 1965; Pub. L. 110-114, title V, §5017(f), Nov. 8, 2007, 121 Stat. 1198.)

AMENDMENTS

2007—Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 110-114 substituted “Not later than September 30, 2008, and every 2 years thereafter” for “At the end of the third and fifth fiscal years following November 7, 2000”.

§ 2908. Funding**(a) Authorization of appropriations****(1) Estuary habitat restoration projects**

There is authorized to be appropriated for carrying out and providing technical assistance for estuary habitat restoration projects—

(A) to the Secretary, \$25,000,000 for each of fiscal years 2008 through 2012;

(B) to the Secretary of the Interior (acting through the Director of the United States Fish and Wildlife Service), \$2,500,000 for each of fiscal years 2008 through 2012;

(C) to the Under Secretary for Oceans and Atmosphere of the Department of Commerce, \$2,500,000 for each of fiscal years 2008 through 2012;

(D) to the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency, \$2,500,000 for each of fiscal years 2008 through 2012; and

(E) to the Secretary of Agriculture, \$2,500,000 for each of fiscal years 2008 through 2012.

Such sums shall remain available until expended.

(2) Monitoring

There is authorized to be appropriated to the Under Secretary for Oceans and Atmosphere of the Department of Commerce for the acquisition, maintenance, and management of monitoring data on restoration projects carried out under this chapter and other information compiled under section 2906 of this title, \$1,500,000 for each of fiscal years 2001 through 2012. Such sums shall remain available until expended.

(b) Set-aside for administrative expenses of the Council

Not to exceed 3 percent of the amounts appropriated for a fiscal year under subsection (a)(1) of this section or \$1,500,000, whichever is greater, may be used by the Secretary for administration and operation of the Council.

(Pub. L. 106-457, title I, §109, Nov. 7, 2000, 114 Stat. 1965; Pub. L. 110-114, title V, §5017(g), Nov. 8, 2007, 121 Stat. 1198.)

AMENDMENTS

2007—Subsec. (a)(1). Pub. L. 110-114, §5017(g)(1), struck out “to the Secretary” after “appropriated” in introductory provisions, added subpars. (A) to (E), and struck out former subpars. (A) to (D) which read as follows:

“(A) \$40,000,000 for fiscal year 2001;

“(B) \$50,000,000 for each of fiscal years 2002 and 2003;

“(C) \$60,000,000 for fiscal year 2004; and

“(D) \$75,000,000 for fiscal year 2005.”

Subsec. (a)(2). Pub. L. 110-114, §5017(g)(2), inserted “and other information compiled under section 2906 of this title” after “this chapter” and substituted “2012” for “2005”.

§ 2909. General provisions**(a) Agency consultation and coordination**

In carrying out this chapter, the Secretary shall, as necessary, consult with, cooperate with, and coordinate its activities with the activities of other Federal departments and agencies.

(b) Cooperative agreements; memoranda of understanding

In carrying out this chapter, the Secretary may—

(1) enter into cooperative agreements or contracts with Federal, State, and local government agencies, nongovernmental organizations, and other entities; and

(2) execute such memoranda of understanding as are necessary to reflect the agreements.

(c) Federal agency facilities and personnel

Federal agencies may cooperate in carrying out scientific and other programs necessary to carry out this chapter, and may provide facilities and personnel, for the purpose of assisting the Council in carrying out its duties under this chapter.

(Pub. L. 106-457, title I, §110, Nov. 7, 2000, 114 Stat. 1966; Pub. L. 110-114, title V, §5017(h), Nov. 8, 2007, 121 Stat. 1199.)

AMENDMENTS

2007—Subsec. (b)(1). Pub. L. 110-114, §5017(h)(1), inserted “or contracts” after “agreements” and “, nongovernmental organizations,” after “agencies”.