

retary shall jointly submit to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation and the Committee on Environment and Public Works of the Senate and the Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries and the Committee on Public Works and Transportation of the House of Representatives a report describing the condition of the Nation's coastal ecosystems, including the following:

- (1) an assessment of the status and health of the Nation's coastal ecosystems;
- (2) an evaluation of environmental trends in coastal ecosystems;
- (3) identification of sources of environmental¹ degradation affecting coastal ecosystems;
- (4) an assessment of the extent to which floatables degrade coastal ecosystems, including trends in the accumulation of floatables and the threat posed by floatables to aquatic life;
- (5) an assessment of the impact of government programs designed to abate the degradation of coastal ecosystems;²
- (6) an evaluation of the adequacy of monitoring programs and identification of any additional program elements which may be needed; and
- (7) a summary of monitoring results in areas monitored under subsection³ 2803(d) of this title.

(Pub. L. 92-532, title V, § 504, as added Pub. L. 102-567, title V, § 501, Oct. 29, 1992, 106 Stat. 4299.)

CHANGE OF NAME

Committee on Public Works and Transportation of House of Representatives treated as referring to Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure of House of Representatives by section 1(a) of Pub. L. 104-14, set out as a note preceding section 21 of Title 2, The Congress.

ABOLITION OF HOUSE COMMITTEE ON MERCHANT MARINE AND FISHERIES

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries of House of Representatives abolished and its jurisdiction transferred by House Resolution No. 6, One Hundred Fourth Congress, Jan. 4, 1995. For treatment of references to Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries, see section 1(b)(3) of Pub. L. 104-14, set out as a note preceding section 21 of Title 2, The Congress.

§ 2805. Authorization of appropriations

(a) NOAA authorization

For development and implementation of programs under this chapter, including financial assistance to non-Federal agencies and institutions to support implementation of intensive monitoring programs under section 2803(d) of this title, there is authorized to be appropriated to the Under Secretary amounts not to exceed \$5,000,000 for fiscal year 1993, \$8,000,000 for fiscal year 1994, \$10,000,000 for fiscal year 1995, and \$12,000,000 for fiscal year 1996.

(b) EPA authorization

For development and implementation of programs under this chapter, including financial assistance to non-Federal agencies and institu-

tions to support implementation of intensive monitoring programs under section 2803(d) of this title, there is authorized to be appropriated to the Administrator amounts not to exceed \$5,000,000 for fiscal year 1993, \$8,000,000 for fiscal year 1994, and \$10,000,000 for fiscal year 1995, and \$12,000,000 for fiscal year 1996.

(Pub. L. 92-532, title V, § 505, as added Pub. L. 102-567, title V, § 501, Oct. 29, 1992, 106 Stat. 4299.)

CHAPTER 42—ESTUARY RESTORATION

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§ 2901. Purposes

The purposes of this chapter are—

(1) to promote the restoration of estuary habitat by implementing a coordinated Federal approach to estuary habitat restoration activities, including the use of common monitoring standards and a common system for tracking restoration acreage;

(2) to develop and implement a national estuary habitat restoration strategy for creating and maintaining effective estuary habitat restoration partnerships among public agencies at all levels of government and to establish new partnerships between the public and private sectors;

(3) to provide Federal assistance for estuary habitat restoration projects through cooperative agreements and to promote efficient financing of such projects; and

(4) to develop and enhance monitoring and research capabilities through the use of the environmental technology innovation program associated with the National Estuarine Research Reserve System established by section 1461 of title 16 to ensure that estuary habitat restoration efforts are based on sound scientific understanding and innovative technologies.

(Pub. L. 106-457, title I, § 102, Nov. 7, 2000, 114 Stat. 1958; Pub. L. 110-114, title V, § 5017(a), Nov. 8, 2007, 121 Stat. 1197.)

AMENDMENTS

2007—Par. (1). Pub. L. 110-114, § 5017(a)(1), inserted “by implementing a coordinated Federal approach to estuary habitat restoration activities, including the use of common monitoring standards and a common system for tracking restoration acreage” before semicolon at end.

Par. (2). Pub. L. 110-114, § 5017(a)(2), inserted “and implement” after “to develop”.

Par. (3). Pub. L. 110-114, § 5017(a)(3), inserted “through cooperative agreements” after “restoration projects”.

SHORT TITLE

Pub. L. 106-457, § 1(a), Nov. 7, 2000, 114 Stat. 1957, provided that: “This Act [enacting this chapter, sections 1273 and 1300 of this title, and sections 277d-43 to 277d-46

¹ So in original. Probably should be “environmental”.

² So in original. Probably should be a semicolon.

³ So in original. Probably should be “section”.