

1213, as amended. Subtitle H of title XV of the Act is classified generally to subchapter V (§3451 et seq.) of chapter 54 of this title. For complete classification of this Act to the Code, see Tables.

#### CODIFICATION

Pub. L. 110-234 and Pub. L. 110-246 made identical amendments to this section. The amendments by Pub. L. 110-234 were repealed by section 4(a) of Pub. L. 110-246.

#### AMENDMENTS

2014—Subsec. (h)(1)(H). Pub. L. 113-79, §2505(a), added subpar. (H).

Subsec. (h)(2)(E). Pub. L. 113-79, §2505(b), substituted “2018” for “2012”.

2008—Subsec. (h)(1)(G). Pub. L. 110-246, §2803(a), added subpar. (G).

Subsec. (h)(2)(E). Pub. L. 110-246, §2803(b), substituted “each of fiscal years 2008 through 2012” for “fiscal year 2007”.

2002—Subsec. (h). Pub. L. 107-171 added subsec. (h) and struck out heading and text of former subsec. (h). Text read as follows: “There is authorized to be appropriated to the Secretary to provide financial and technical assistance under this section—

- “(1) \$5,000,000 for fiscal year 2001;
- “(2) \$10,000,000 for fiscal year 2002;
- “(3) \$15,000,000 for fiscal year 2003;
- “(4) \$25,000,000 for fiscal year 2004; and
- “(5) \$35,000,000 for fiscal year 2005.”

#### EFFECTIVE DATE OF 2008 AMENDMENT

Amendment of this section and repeal of Pub. L. 110-234 by Pub. L. 110-246 effective May 22, 2008, the date of enactment of Pub. L. 110-234, see section 4 of Pub. L. 110-246, set out as an Effective Date note under section 8701 of Title 7, Agriculture.

### CHAPTER 18A—COOPERATIVE WATERSHED MANAGEMENT PROGRAM

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#### § 1015. Definitions

In this chapter:

##### (1) Affected stakeholder

The term “affected stakeholder” means an entity that significantly affects, or is significantly affected by, the quality or quantity of water in a watershed, as determined by the Secretary.

##### (2) Grant recipient

The term “grant recipient” means a watershed group that the Secretary has selected to receive a grant under section 1015a(c)(2) of this title.

##### (3) Program

The term “program” means the Cooperative Watershed Management Program established by the Secretary under section 1015a(a) of this title.

##### (4) Secretary

The term “Secretary” means the Secretary of the Interior.

##### (5) Watershed group

The term “watershed group” means a self-sustaining, cooperative watershed-wide group that—

(A) is comprised of representatives of the affected stakeholders of the relevant watershed;

(B) incorporates the perspectives of a diverse array of stakeholders, including, to the maximum extent practicable—

- (i) representatives of—
  - (I) hydroelectric production;
  - (II) livestock grazing;
  - (III) timber production;
  - (IV) land development;
  - (V) recreation or tourism;
  - (VI) irrigated agricultural production;
  - (VII) the environment;
  - (VIII) potable water purveyors and industrial water users; and
  - (IX) private property owners within the watershed;

(ii) any Federal agency that has authority with respect to the watershed;

(iii) any State agency that has authority with respect to the watershed;

(iv) any local agency that has authority with respect to the watershed; and

- (v) any Indian tribe that—
  - (I) owns land within the watershed; or
  - (II) has land in the watershed that is held in trust;

(C) is a grassroots, nonregulatory entity that addresses water availability and quality issues within the relevant watershed;

(D) is capable of promoting the sustainable use of the water resources of the relevant watershed and improving the functioning condition of rivers and streams through—

- (i) water conservation;
- (ii) improved water quality;
- (iii) ecological resiliency; and
- (iv) the reduction of water conflicts; and

(E) makes decisions on a consensus basis, as defined in the bylaws of the watershed group.

##### (6) Watershed management project

The term “watershed management project” means any project (including a demonstration project) that—

(A) enhances water conservation, including alternative water uses;

(B) improves water quality;

(C) improves ecological resiliency of a river or stream;

(D) reduces the potential for water conflicts; or

(E) advances any other goals associated with water quality or quantity that the Secretary determines to be appropriate.

(Pub. L. 111-11, title VI, §6001, Mar. 30, 2009, 123 Stat. 1165.)

#### § 1015a. Program

##### (a) Establishment

Not later than 180 days after March 30, 2009, the Secretary shall establish a program, to be known as the “Cooperative Watershed Management Program”, under which the Secretary shall provide grants—

- (1)(A) to form a watershed group; or
- (B) to enlarge a watershed group; and