

listed in a table of Wilderness Areas set out under section 1132 of this title, and enacting provisions set out as notes under this section and section 539e of this title] may be cited as the "Tongass Timber Reform Act".

STUDY CONTAINING RECOMMENDATIONS ON NEED TO STANDARDIZE RIPARIAN MANAGEMENT PRACTICES IN TONGASS NATIONAL FOREST

Pub. L. 101-626, title I, §103(b), Nov. 28, 1990, 104 Stat. 4427, provided that: "No later than one year after the date of enactment of this Act [Nov. 28, 1990], the Secretary of Agriculture, in consultation with the State of Alaska, the National Marine Fisheries Service, and affected private land owners, shall prepare and transmit to the Congress a study containing recommendations on the need, if any, to standardize riparian management practices for Federal, State, and private lands within the Tongass National Forest."

APPLICATION OF AMENDMENTS BY PUB. L. 101-626 TO CERTAIN LONG-TERM TIMBER SALE CONTRACTS

Pub. L. 101-626, title I, §105(c), Nov. 28, 1990, 104 Stat. 4428, provided that: "The provisions of subsections (a) and (b) of this section [amending this section and section 472a of this title] shall not apply to the purchase of timber within the Tongass National Forest pursuant to the long-term timber sale contracts numbered 12-11-010-1545 and A10fs-1042 between the United States and the Alaska Pulp Corporation, and between the United States and the Ketchikan Pulp Company, respectively."

APPLICABILITY OF SUBSECTION (a) FROM OCTOBER 1, 1987 UNTIL SEPTEMBER 30, 1989

Pub. L. 100-203, title V, §5202, Dec. 22, 1987, 101 Stat. 1330-267, provided that from the period beginning on October 1, 1987, and extending until September 30, 1989, the provisions of subsec. (a) of this section was not effective, and that in lieu thereof, the following provision was to apply: "There is hereby authorized to be appropriated the sum of at least \$40,000,000 annually (or such sums as the Secretary of Agriculture determines necessary) to maintain the timber supply from the Tongass National Forest to dependent industry at a rate of 4,500,000,000 foot board measure per decade."

**§ 539e. Reports**

**(a) Timber supply and demand in southeastern Alaska**

The Secretary is directed to monitor timber supply and demand in southeastern Alaska and report annually thereon to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources of the Senate and the Committee on Natural Resources of the House of Representatives.

**(b) Status of Tongass National Forest in southeastern Alaska; contents**

Within five years from December 2, 1980, and every two years thereafter the Secretary shall review and report to Congress on the status of the Tongass National Forest in southeastern Alaska. This report shall include, but not be limited to, (1) the timber harvest levels in the forest since December 2, 1980; (2) the impact of wilderness designation on the timber, fishing, and tourism industry in southeast Alaska; (3) measures instituted by the Forest Service to protect fish and wildlife in the forest; (4) the status of the small business set aside program in the Tongass Forest,<sup>1</sup> and (5) the impact of tim-

ber management on subsistence resources, wildlife, and fisheries habitats.

**(c) Cooperation and consultation**

The study required by this section shall be conducted in cooperation and consultation with the State, affected Native Corporations, the southeast Alaska timber industry, the Southeast Alaska Conservation Council, the southeast Alaska commercial fishing industry, and the Alaska Land Use Council.<sup>2</sup>

(Pub. L. 96-487, title VII, §706, Dec. 2, 1980, 94 Stat. 2420; Pub. L. 101-626, title I, §104, Nov. 28, 1990, 104 Stat. 4427; Pub. L. 103-437, §6(d)(31), Nov. 2, 1994, 108 Stat. 4584.)

AMENDMENTS

1994—Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 103-437 substituted "Natural Resources" for "Interior and Insular Affairs" after "Committee on".

1990—Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 101-626, §104(a), struck out at end "If, at any time after December 2, 1980, the Secretary finds that the available land base in the Tongass National Forest is inadequate to maintain the timber supply from the Tongass National Forest to dependent industry at the rate of four billion five hundred million foot board measure per decade, he shall include such information in his report."

Subsec. (b). Pub. L. 101-626, §104(a), added cl. (5).

Subsec. (c). Pub. L. 101-626, §104(b), substituted "the southeast Alaska commercial fishing industry, and the Alaska Land Use Council." for "and the Alaska Land Use Council".

TERMINATION OF REPORTING REQUIREMENTS

For termination, effective May 15, 2000, of provisions in subsec. (b) of this section relating to reporting to Congress, every two years, on the status of the Tongass National Forest, see section 3003 of Pub. L. 104-66, as amended, set out as a note under section 1113 of Title 31, Money and Finance, and page 48 of House Document No. 103-7.

STUDY REGARDING FEASIBILITY OF ACQUIRING PREVIOUSLY HARVESTED PRIVATE LANDS IN TONGASS NATIONAL FOREST

Section 501 of Pub. L. 101-626 directed the Secretary, no later than one year after Nov. 28, 1990, to complete a study regarding feasibility of acquiring private lands located within boundary of the Tongass National Forest, which have been significantly harvested and to transmit the study to specific committees of Congress.

**§ 539f. Nonprofit organization user of national forest lands**

**(a) Permits for organization camps; waiver of charges; performance of services; loss of entitlement**

Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the Secretary of Agriculture is directed to waive annually without charge all or a portion of payment or rental fees required under terms of a permit for use of certain lands of the National Forest System as organization camps by local units of the Boy Scouts of America or such other nonprofit organization when such local units of the Boy Scouts of America or such nonprofit organization are willing to perform services, as the Secretary prescribes and determines will yield a valuable benefit to the public and to the program of the Secretary of such lands. If the Secretary determines that a local unit of

<sup>1</sup> So in original. The comma probably should be a semicolon.

<sup>2</sup> So in original.