

SUBCHAPTER CXVI—LAKE MEREDITH
NATIONAL RECREATION AREA

§ 460eee. Establishment

(a) In general

In order to provide for public outdoor recreation use and enjoyment of the lands and waters associated with Lake Meredith in the State of Texas, and to protect the scenic, scientific, cultural, and other values contributing to the public enjoyment of such lands and waters, there is hereby established the Lake Meredith National Recreation Area (hereafter in this Act referred to as the “recreation area”).

(b) Area included

The recreation area shall consist of the lands, waters, and interests therein within the area generally depicted on the map entitled “Lake Meredith National Recreation Area Boundary Map, ‘Fee-Take Line’”, numbered SWRO—80,023-A, and dated September 1990. The map shall be on file and available for public inspection in the offices of the National Park Service, Department of the Interior. The Secretary of the Interior (hereafter in this Act referred to as the “Secretary”) may from time to time make minor revisions in the boundary of the recreation area.

(c) Transfer

(1) Except as provided in paragraph (2), the Federal lands, waters, and interests therein within the recreation area are hereby transferred to the National Park Service.

(2) Those lands depicted on the map referred to in subsection (b) that are necessary for the continued operation, maintenance, and replacement of the Canadian River Project facilities and its purposes of providing for municipal and industrial water supply and flood control shall remain under the jurisdiction of the Bureau of Reclamation.

(Pub. L. 101-628, title V, §502, Nov. 28, 1990, 104 Stat. 4492.)

REFERENCES IN TEXT

This Act, referred to in subsecs. (a) and (b), is Pub. L. 101-628, Nov. 28, 1990, 104 Stat. 4469, which enacted this subchapter, subchapters CXV (§460ddd) and CXVII (§460fff et seq.) of this chapter, chapter 65 (§4601 et seq.) of this title, and former sections 1a-9 to 1a-13 of this title, amended section 410ee, former section 463, and sections 1274 and 1276 of this title, enacted provisions set out as notes under sections 1132 and 1271 of this title and section 1522 of Title 43, Public Lands, and formerly set out as notes under section 1a-5 of this title, and enacted provisions listed in a table of Wilderness Areas set out under section 1132 of this title. For complete classification of this Act to the Code, see Tables.

§ 460eee-1. Administration

(a) In general

The Secretary shall administer the recreation area in accordance with this Act and the provisions of law generally applicable to units of the national park system, including the Act entitled “An Act to establish a National Park Service, and for other purposes”, approved August 25, 1916 (39 Stat. 535; 16 U.S.C. 1, 2-4),¹ and the Act

of August 7, 1946 (60 Stat. 885).¹ In the administration of such recreation area, the Secretary may utilize such statutory authority as may be available to him for the protection of natural and cultural resources as he deems necessary to carry out the purposes of this Act.

(b) Operation of Canadian River Project

Nothing in this Act shall be construed to affect or interfere with the authority of the Secretary under the Act of December 29, 1950 (Public Law 81-898; 43 U.S.C. 600b et seq.), to operate Sanford Dam and Lake Meredith in accordance with and for the purposes set forth in that Act.

(c) Land acquisition

Within the boundary of the recreation area, the Secretary may acquire lands and interests in lands by purchase with donated or appropriated funds, exchange, or transfer without reimbursement from any Federal agency.

(d) Cultural resources

The Secretary shall conduct a survey of the cultural resources in the immediate vicinity of the recreation area. The Secretary is authorized to enter into cooperative agreements with public or private entities, including landowners, for the purpose of conducting the survey required by this subsection. Not later than three years after the date on which funds have been made available, the Secretary shall submit a report to the Committee on Natural Resources of the House of Representatives and the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources of the Senate on the results of the survey required by this subsection.

(e) Hunting and fishing

(1) The Secretary shall permit hunting and fishing on lands and waters under the Secretary’s jurisdiction within the recreation area in accordance with applicable Federal and State law. The Secretary may designate zones where, and establish periods when, hunting or fishing will not be permitted for reasons of public safety, administration, fish and wildlife management, or public use and enjoyment.

(2) Except in emergencies any regulations issued by the Secretary under this subsection shall be put into effect only after consultation with the appropriate State agencies responsible for hunting and fishing activities.

(f) Cooperative agreements

For purposes of administering the recreation area, the Secretary may enter into cooperative agreements with any Federal agency, the State of Texas, or any political subdivision thereof, including the Canadian River Municipal Water Authority, for the rendering, on a reimbursable basis, of rescue, firefighting, law enforcement, fire preventive assistance, and other needs. The Secretary may enter into a cooperative agreement with the city of Fritch, Texas, to develop and operate a joint venture information center. Federal funds may be expended on non-Federal lands and improvements through cooperative agreements for the purpose of this section on a 50-50 matching basis.

(Pub. L. 101-628, title V, §503, Nov. 28, 1990, 104 Stat. 4493; Pub. L. 103-437, §6(d)(24), Nov. 2, 1994, 108 Stat. 4584.)

¹ See References in Text note below.