

of land or improvements that are equal in market value to the conveyed administrative site. If the market values are not equal, the market values may be equalized by—

“(i) the Secretary making a cash payment to the person or entity acquiring the administrative site; or

“(ii) the person or entity acquiring the administrative site making a cash equalization payment to the Secretary.

“(c) DETERMINATION OF MARKET VALUE.—The Secretary shall determine the market value of an administrative site to be conveyed under this title or of non-Federal land or improvements to be provided as consideration in exchange for an administrative site—

“(1) by conducting an appraisal that is performed in accordance with—

“(A) the Uniform Appraisal Standards for Federal Land Acquisitions, established in accordance with the Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisition Policies Act of 1970 (42 U.S.C. 4601 et seq.); and

“(B) the Uniform Standards of Professional Appraisal Practice; or

“(2) by competitive sale.

“(d) RELATION TO OTHER LAWS.—

“(1) FEDERAL PROPERTY DISPOSAL.—Chapter 5 of subtitle I of title 40, United States Code, shall not apply to the conveyance of an administrative site under this title.

“(2) LAND EXCHANGES.—Section 206 of the Federal Land Policy and Management Act [of 1976] (43 U.S.C. 1716) shall not apply to the conveyance of an administrative site under this title carried out by means of an exchange or combination of sale and exchange.

“(3) LEAD-BASED PAINT AND ASBESTOS ABATEMENT.—Notwithstanding any provision of law relating to the mitigation or abatement of lead-based paint or asbestos-containing building materials, the Secretary is not required to mitigate or abate lead-based paint or asbestos-containing building materials with respect to an administrative site to be conveyed under this title. However, if the administrative site has lead-based paint or asbestos-containing building materials, the Secretary shall—

“(A) provide notice to the person or entity acquiring the administrative site of the presence of the lead-based paint or asbestos-containing building material; and

“(B) obtain written assurance from the person or entity acquiring the administrative site that the person or entity will comply with applicable Federal, State, and local laws relating to the management of the lead-based paint and asbestos-containing building materials.

“(4) ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW.—The National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (42 U.S.C. 4321 et seq.) shall apply to the conveyance of administrative sites under this title, except that, in any environmental review or analysis required under such Act for the conveyance of an administrative site under this title, the Secretary is only required to—

“(A) analyze the most reasonably foreseeable use of the administrative site, as determined through a market analysis;

“(B) determine whether to include terms, conditions, and reservations under subsection (a)(3); and

“(C) evaluate the alternative of not conveying the administrative site, consistent with the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969.

“(e) REJECTION OF OFFERS.—The Secretary shall reject any offer made for the acquisition of an administrative site under this title if the Secretary determines that the offer is—

“(1) not adequate to cover the market value of the administrative site; or

“(2) not otherwise in the public interest.

“(f) CONSULTATION AND PUBLIC NOTICE.—As appropriate, the Secretary is encouraged to work with the Administrator of the General Services Administration

with respect to the conveyance of administrative sites under this title. Before making an administrative site available for conveyance under this title, the Secretary shall consult with local governmental officials of the community in which the administrative site is located and provide public notice of the proposed conveyance.

“SEC. 505. DISPOSITION OF PROCEEDS RECEIVED FROM ADMINISTRATIVE SITE CONVEYANCES.

“(a) DEPOSIT.—The Secretary shall deposit in the fund established under Public Law 90-171 (commonly known as the Sisk Act; 16 U.S.C. 484a) all of the proceeds from the conveyance of an administrative site under this title.

“(b) USE.—Amounts deposited under paragraph (1) shall be available to the Secretary, until expended and without further appropriation, to pay any necessary and incidental costs incurred by the Secretary in connection with—

“(1) the acquisition, improvement, maintenance, reconstruction, or construction of a facility or improvement for the National Forest System; and

“(2) the conveyance of administrative sites under this title, including costs described in subsection (c).

“(c) BROKERAGE SERVICES.—The Secretary may use the proceeds from the conveyance of an administrative site under this title to pay reasonable commissions or fees for brokerage services obtained in connection with the conveyance if the Secretary determines that the services are in the public interest. The Secretary shall provide public notice of any brokerage services contract entered into in connection with a conveyance under this title.”

[Pub. L. 115-334, title VIII, §8504, Dec. 20, 2018, 132 Stat. 4847, which directed amendment of section 503(f) of Pub. L. 109-54, set out above, by substituting “2023” for “2016”, was executed by making the substitution for “2018” to reflect the probable intent of Congress and the intervening amendment by Pub. L. 115-141.]

CONVEYANCE OF EXCESS FOREST SERVICE STRUCTURES

Pub. L. 107-63, title III, §329, Nov. 5, 2001, 115 Stat. 471, as amended by Pub. L. 108-7, div. F, title III, §325, Feb. 20, 2003, 117 Stat. 275; Pub. L. 108-108, title III, §322, Nov. 10, 2003, 117 Stat. 1307; Pub. L. 108-447, div. E, title III, §322, Dec. 8, 2004, 118 Stat. 3098, which gave the Secretary of Agriculture temporary and limited authority to convey excess structures located on National Forest System lands and to use the proceeds from those conveyances for certain maintenance and rehabilitation activities, was repealed, effective Sept. 30, 2006, by Pub. L. 109-54, title V, §503(g), Aug. 2, 2005, 119 Stat. 561, which also provided that the Secretary could complete any conveyance initiated before the effective date of the repeal.

DEFINITION OF NATIONAL FOREST SYSTEM

Pub. L. 115-334, title VIII, §8601, Dec. 20, 2018, 132 Stat. 4847, provided that: “In this subtitle [subtitle F (§§ 8601-8644) of title VIII of Pub. L. 115-334, enacting section 6591e of this title and sections 7655c and 7655d of Title 7, Agriculture, amending sections 521d, 521e, 2113a, 3851a, and 7303 of this title and section 8113 of Title 7, and enacting provisions set out as notes under this section and sections 1132 and 1642 of this title, section 7655c of Title 7, and section 1772 of Title 43, Public Lands], the term ‘National Forest System’ has the meaning given the term in section 11(a) of the Forest and Rangeland Renewable Resources Planning Act of 1974 (16 U.S.C. 1609(a)).”

§ 580e. Services furnished persons attending Forest Service demonstrations and users of national forest resources and recreational facilities; rate of charges; disposition of moneys

The Secretary of Agriculture is authorized to furnish persons attending Forest Service dem-

onstrations, and users of national forest resources and recreational facilities, with meals, lodging, bedding, fuel, and other services, where such facilities are not otherwise available, at rates approximating but not less than the actual or estimated cost thereof and to deposit all moneys received therefor to the credit of the appropriation from which the cost thereof is paid, or a similar appropriation current at the time the moneys are received: *Provided*, That such receipts obtained in excess of \$10,000 in any one fiscal year shall be deposited in the Treasury as miscellaneous receipts.

(Apr. 24, 1950, ch. 97, § 8, 64 Stat. 84.)

§ 580f. Telephones for official use in private residences

Notwithstanding the provisions of section 1348 of title 31, appropriations for the protection and management of the national forests and other lands administered by the Forest Service shall be available to pay for telephone service installed in residences of employees and of persons cooperating with the Forest Service who reside within or near such lands when such installation is determined by the Secretary of Agriculture to be needed in protecting such lands: *Provided*, That in addition to the monthly local service charge, the Government may pay only such tolls or other charges as are required strictly for the public business.

(Apr. 24, 1950, ch. 97, § 10, 64 Stat. 85; Pub. L. 85-464, § 6, June 20, 1958, 72 Stat. 217.)

CODIFICATION

“Section 1348 of title 31” substituted in text for “section 7 of the Act of August 23, 1912, as amended (31 U.S.C. 679)” on authority of Pub. L. 97-258, § 4(b), Sept. 13, 1982, 96 Stat. 1067, the first section of which enacted Title 31, Money and Finance.

AMENDMENTS

1958—Pub. L. 85-464 inserted “and other lands administered by the Forest Service” after “forests”, and substituted “residences of employees” for “residences of seasonal employees”, and “such lands” for “the national forests” in two places.

§ 580g. Seeding leased range land; conditions and limitations

Whenever such action is deemed to be in the public interest, the Secretary of Agriculture is authorized to pay from any appropriation available for the protection and management of the national forests all or any part of the cost of leasing, seeding, and protective fencing of public range land (other than national forest land) and privately owned land intermingled with or adjacent to national forest or other land administered by the Forest Service, if the use of the land to be seeded is controlled by the Forest Service under a lease or agreement which in the judgment of the Chief of the Forest Service gives the Forest Service control over the land for a sufficient period to justify such expenditures: *Provided*, That payment may not be made under authority of this section for the seeding of more than one thousand acres in any one private ownership: *Provided further*, That payment may not be made under authority of this section for the seeding of more than twenty-five thousand

acres in any one fiscal year: *Provided further*, That the period of any lease under this authority may not exceed twenty years.

(Apr. 24, 1950, ch. 97, § 11, 64 Stat. 85.)

§ 580h. Range improvements from appropriated funds

Of the moneys received from grazing fees by the Treasury from each national forest during each fiscal year there shall be available at the end thereof when appropriated by Congress an amount equivalent to 2 cents per animal-month for sheep and goats and 10 cents per animal-month for other kinds of livestock under permit on such national forest during the calendar year in which the fiscal year begins, which appropriated amount shall be available until expended on such national forest, under such regulations as the Secretary of Agriculture may prescribe, for (1) artificial revegetation, including the collection or purchase of necessary seed; (2) construction and maintenance of drift or division fences and stock-watering places, bridges, corrals, driveways, or other necessary range improvements; (3) control of range-destroying rodents; or (4) eradication of poisonous plants and noxious weeds, in order to protect or improve the future productivity of the range.

(Apr. 24, 1950, ch. 97, § 12, 64 Stat. 85.)

SAVINGS PROVISION

Provisions of Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976, Pub. L. 94-579, Oct. 21, 1976, 90 Stat. 2743, not to be construed as affecting the distribution of livestock grazing revenues to local governments under this section, see section 701(j) of Pub. L. 94-579, set out as a note under section 1701 of Title 43, Public Lands.

§ 580i. Acquisition of winter range, land, and helicopter landing site

There are authorized to be appropriated—

(a) such sums as may be necessary for the acquisition of parcels of land and interests in land in Sanders County, Montana, needed by the Forest Service to provide winter range for its saddle, pack, and draft animals;

(b) not to exceed \$50,000 for the acquisition of additional land adjacent to the present site of the Forest Products Laboratory at Madison, Wisconsin; and

(c) not to exceed \$25,000 for the acquisition of one helicopter landing site in southern California.

Land acquired under this section may be subject to such reservations and outstanding interests as the Secretary of Agriculture determines will not interfere with the purpose for which acquired.

(Apr. 24, 1950, ch. 97, § 14, 64 Stat. 86.)

§ 580j. Injury benefits for temporary employees

Appropriations of the Forest Service chargeable with salaries and wages shall be available for payment to temporary employees of the Forest Service for loss of time due to injury in official work at rates not in excess of those provided by subchapter I of chapter 81 of title 5, when the injured person is in need of immediate financial assistance to avoid hardship: *Provided*,