

AMENDMENTS

2019—Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 116-6 substituted “National Park” for “National Lakeshore” and “Park” for “lakeshore”.

Subsecs. (b), (c). Pub. L. 116-6, §115(a)(1)(B), substituted “Park” for “lakeshore” wherever appearing.

§ 460u-21. Public access study**(a) Preservation of Park and conservation of energy**

The Secretary in consultation with the Secretary of Transportation, shall conduct a study of various modes of public access into and within the lakeshore which are consistent with the preservation of the Park and conservation of energy by encouraging the use of transportation modes other than personal motor vehicles.

(b) Utilization of clearinghouse resources and facilities

In carrying out the study, the Secretary shall utilize to the greatest extent practicable the resources and facilities of the organizations designated as clearinghouses under section 6506 of title 31 as implemented by Office of Management and Budget Circular A-95, and which have comprehensive planning responsibilities in the regions where the Park is located, as well as any other agencies or organizations which the Secretary may designate. The Secretary shall make provision for timely and substantive consultations with the appropriate agencies of the States of Indiana and Illinois, local elected officials, and the general public in the formulation and implementation of the study.

(c) Adequacy of access facilities

The study shall address the adequacy of access facilities for members of the public who desire to visit and enjoy the Park. Consideration shall be given to alternatives for alleviating the dependence on automobile transportation. The study of public transportation facilities shall cover the distance from cities of thirty-five thousand population or more within fifty miles of the Park.

(d) Access proposals; retention of Park values

The study shall include proposals deemed necessary to assure equitable visitor access and public enjoyment by all segments of the population, including those who are physically or economically disadvantaged. It shall provide for retention of the natural, scenic, and historic values for which the Park was established, and shall propose plans and alternatives for the protection and maintenance of these values as they relate to transportation improvements.

(e) Renovation and preservation of South Shore Railroad

The study shall examine proposals for the renovation and preservation of a portion of the existing South Shore Railroad passenger car fleet. The study shall consider the historic value of the existing rolling stock and its role in transporting visitors into and within the Park.

(f) Alternative improvement plans; cost estimates; sources of funding

The study shall present alternative plans to improve, construct, and extend access roads,

public transportation, and bicycle and pedestrian trails. It shall include cost estimates of all plans considered in this study, and shall discuss existing and proposed sources of funding for the implementation of the recommended plan alternatives.

(g) Submittal to Congress

The study shall be completed and presented to the Congress within two complete fiscal years from the effective date of this provision.

(h) Authorization of appropriations

Effective October 1, 1981, there is hereby authorized to be appropriated not to exceed \$200,000 for this study.

(Pub. L. 89-761, §21, as added Pub. L. 96-612, §1(11), Dec. 28, 1980, 94 Stat. 3576; amended Pub. L. 116-6, div. E, title I, §115(a)(1)(B), Feb. 15, 2019, 133 Stat. 232.)

REFERENCES IN TEXT

The effective date of this provision, referred to in subsec. (g), probably means the date of enactment of Pub. L. 96-612, which was approved Dec. 28, 1980.

CODIFICATION

In subsec. (b), “section 6506 of title 31” substituted for “title IV of the Intergovernmental Cooperation Act of 1968 [42 U.S.C. 4231 et seq.]” 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.

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2019—Subsecs. (a) to (e). Pub. L. 116-6 substituted “Park” for “lakeshore” wherever appearing.

§ 460u-22. Consideration of property owner's hardship in property acquisition

In exercising his authority to acquire property under this subchapter, the Secretary shall give prompt and careful consideration to any offer made by an individual owning property within the Park to sell such property, if such individual notifies the Secretary in writing that the continued ownership of such property is causing, or would result in, undue hardship.

(Pub. L. 89-761, §22, as added Pub. L. 96-612, §1(12), Dec. 28, 1980, 94 Stat. 3577; amended Pub. L. 116-6, div. E, title I, §115(a)(1)(B), Feb. 15, 2019, 133 Stat. 232.)

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§ 460u-23. Acquisition of interest in area VII-A**(a) Public access requirements**

The Secretary may acquire only such interest in that portion of area VII-A which is described in subsection (b) as the Secretary determines is necessary to assure public access over said portion of area VII-A.

(b) Portion of area VII-A subject to acquisition

The portion of area VII-A, as designated on the map referred to in section 460u of this title, to which subsection (a) applies is a parcel of land bounded—

(1) on the east by a line three hundred feet east of the electrical transmission line crossing area VII-A on January 1, 1979;