

operations within the boundaries of Death Valley National Monument, Mount McKinley National Park, and Organ Pipe Cactus National Monument, subject to exceptions.

Section 1904, Pub. L. 94-429, §5, Sept. 28, 1976, 90 Stat. 1343, provided for inapplicability of requirements for annual expenditures on mining claims to mining operations during the 4-year period under section 1903.

Section 1905, Pub. L. 94-429, §6, Sept. 28, 1976, 90 Stat. 1343, provided that within 2 years the Secretary of the Interior determine the validity of unpatented mining claims within Glacier Bay National Monument, Death Valley and Organ Pipe Cactus National Monuments and Mount McKinley National Park, submit to Congress recommendations for acquisition of valid claims, and study and submit to Congress recommendations for modifications of existing boundaries of the Death Valley Monument and the Glacier Bay National Monument.

Section 1906, Pub. L. 94-429, §7, Sept. 28, 1976, 90 Stat. 1343, provided that within 4 years the Secretary determine the validity of unpatented mining claims within Crater Lake National Park, Coronado National Memorial, and Glacier Bay National Monument, and submit to Congress recommendations for acquisition of valid claims.

**§ 1907. Repealed. Pub. L. 113-287, § 7, Dec. 19, 2014, 128 Stat. 3272**

Section, Pub. L. 94-429, §8, Sept. 28, 1976, 90 Stat. 1343, related to recordation of mining claims and publication of notice. See section 100733 of Title 54, National Park Service and Related Programs.

**§ 1908. Repealed. Pub. L. 113-287, § 7, Dec. 19, 2014, 128 Stat. 3272**

Section, Pub. L. 94-429, §9, Sept. 28, 1976, 90 Stat. 1343, related to damage to natural and historical landmarks and procedures for determination and enforcement of abatement of damaging activities. Subsec. (a) was repealed and restated in section 100734 of Title 54, National Park Service and Related Programs. Subsec. (b), which required a report on the effect of surface mining activities on natural and historical landmarks and had been omitted from the Code, was repealed as obsolete.

**§ 1909. Repealed. Pub. L. 113-287, § 7, Dec. 19, 2014, 128 Stat. 3272**

Section, Pub. L. 94-429, §10, Sept. 28, 1976, 90 Stat. 1344, related to severability.

**§ 1910. Repealed. Pub. L. 113-287, § 7, Dec. 19, 2014, 128 Stat. 3272**

Section, Pub. L. 94-429, §11, Sept. 28, 1976, 90 Stat. 1344; Pub. L. 98-620, title IV, §402(21), Nov. 8, 1984, 98 Stat. 3358, related to civil actions for just compensation by mining claim holders. See section 100735 of Title 54, National Park Service and Related Programs.

**§ 1911. Repealed. Pub. L. 113-287, § 7, Dec. 19, 2014, 128 Stat. 3272**

Section, Pub. L. 94-429, §12, Sept. 28, 1976, 90 Stat. 1344, related to acquisition of land by Secretary. See section 100736 of Title 54, National Park Service and Related Programs.

**§ 1912. Repealed. Pub. L. 113-287, § 7, Dec. 19, 2014, 128 Stat. 3272**

Section, Pub. L. 94-429, §13, Sept. 28, 1976, 90 Stat. 1344, related to financial disclosure by officer or employee of Secretary. See section 1865(b) of Title 18, Crimes and Criminal Procedure, and section 100737(a) to (c) of Title 54, National Park Service and Related Programs.

**CHAPTER 40—SOIL AND WATER RESOURCES CONSERVATION**

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**§ 2001. Congressional findings**

The Congress finds that:

(1) There is a growing demand on the soil, water, and related resources of the Nation to meet present and future needs.

(2) The Congress, in its concern for sustained use of the resource base of the United States, has ensured that the Department of Agriculture possesses information, technical expertise, and a delivery system for providing assistance to land users with respect to conservation and use of soils; plants; woodlands; watershed protection and flood prevention; the conservation, development, utilization, and disposal of water; animal husbandry; fish and wildlife management; recreation; community development; and related resource uses.

(3) Appraisal and inventory of resources, assessment and inventory of conservation needs, evaluation of the effects of conservation practices, and analyses of alternative approaches to existing conservation programs are basic to effective soil, water, and related natural resource conservation.

(4) Since individual and governmental decisions concerning soil and water resources often transcend administrative boundaries and affect other programs and decisions, a coordinated appraisal and program framework are essential.

(Pub. L. 95-192, §2, Nov. 18, 1977, 91 Stat. 1407; Pub. L. 103-354, title II, §246(f)(2)(A), Oct. 13, 1994, 108 Stat. 3225; Pub. L. 110-234, title II, §2804(a), May 22, 2008, 122 Stat. 1086; Pub. L. 110-246, §4(a), title II, §2804(a), June 18, 2008, 122 Stat. 1664, 1814.)

**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**

2008—Par. (2). Pub. L. 110-246, §2804(a)(1), substituted “base of the” for “base, of the”.

Pars. (3), (4). Pub. L. 110-246, §2804(a)(2), added par. (3), redesignated former par. (3) as (4), and struck out “Resource appraisal is basic to effective soil and water conservation.” before “Since individual”.

1994—Par. (2). Pub. L. 103-354 struck out “created the Soil Conservation Service” after “resource base,” and substituted “, has ensured that the Department of Agriculture” for “Department of Agriculture which” after “United States”.

**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