(Mar. 4, 1940, ch. 40, §1, 54 Stat. 41.)

Statutory Notes and Related Subsidiaries

Additions to Kings Canyon National Park

The following provision authorized the addition of lands to Kings Canyon National Park: Pub. L. 98–425, title I, §105(a)(1), Sept. 28, 1984, 98 Stat. 1626.

§80a. General Grant National Park abolished; lands added to Kings Canyon National Park

The General Grant National Park is abolished, and the west half of section 33, township 13 south, range 28 east, and west half of section 4, all of section 8 and the northwest quarter of section 9, township 14 south, range 28 east, Mount Diablo meridian, California, together with the lands formerly within the General Grant National Park, California, and particularly described as follows, to wit: All of sections 31 and 32, township 13 south, range 28 east, and sections 5 and 6, township 14 south, range 28 east, of the same meridian, are, subject to valid existing rights, added to and made a part of the Kings Canyon National Park and such lands shall be known as the General Grant grove section of the said park. The General Grant grove section of the Kings Canyon National Park may, by proclamation of the President, be extended to include the following described lands, to wit: Section 9, south half, section 10, southwest quarter, and that part of the east half south of Generals Highway; section 11, that part south of Generals Highway; section 13, that part south of Generals Highway; section 14, that part south of Generals Highway, section 15, east half, northwest quarter, and the southeast quarter of the southwest quarter, section 21, southeast quarter of the northeast quarter, and the east half of the southeast quarter; section 22, east half, east half of the northwest quarter, southwest quarter of the northwest quarter and southwest quarter; section 23; section 24, that part south of Generals Highway; sections 25 and 26; section 27, east half, northwest quarter, and that part of the southwest quarter north and east of the crest of Redwood Mountain; section 34, that part east of the crest of Redwood Mountain; sections 35 and 36, township 14 south, range 28 east; all of sections 1 and 2; section 3, that part east of the crest of Redwood Mountain; section 11, that part east and north of the crest of Redwood Mountain; all of section 12; section 13, that part north of the Sequoia National Park boundary, township 15 south, range 28 east, Mount Diablo meridian, which shall be subject to all laws, rules, and regulations applicable to the said park. Such extension of the General Grant grove section of the said park shall not interfere with the movement of stock and vehicular traffic without charge, under general regulations to be prescribed by the Secretary of the Interior, to and from national forest lands on either side of the said park extension. The Kings Canyon National Park shall receive and use all moneys prior to or after March 4, 1940, appropriated for General Grant National Park.

(Mar. 4, 1940, ch. 40, §2, 54 Stat. 43.)

Statutory Notes and Related Subsidiaries

NATION'S CHRISTMAS TREE

Joint Res. Mar. 29, 1956, ch. 98, 70 Stat. 57, provided: "That the General Grant tree, which is located in the Kings Canyon National Park, in Fresno County, California, and which was dedicated by the Federal Government in 1926 as the Nation's Christmas Tree, is hereby declared to be a national shrine in memory of the men and women of the Armed Forces who have served and fought and died to keep this Nation free and to preserve the spiritual, human, and civil rights which are the essence of our American heritage. The Secretary of the Interior, through the National Park Service, shall make appropriate provision for the perpetual care and maintenance of such shrine.

"SEC. 2. Nothing in this Act shall be deemed to change the name of the General Grant tree."

ADJUSTMENT OF BOUNDARIES AND RIGHTS

Act June 5, 1942, ch. 333, §§1, 2, 56 Stat. 310, authorized the Secretary of the Interior to adjust the boundaries of privately owned lands in the General Grant grove section of Kings Canyon National Park in accordance with a survey made by the county surveyor of Tulare County, California; to amend existing patents or relinquish or grant parcels of land therein according to said survey; and to pay from departmental appropriations expenses of surveys and investigations necessary to carry out provisions of this act.

§ 80a-1. Lands excluded from Kings Canyon National Park and added to Sequoia National Forest

For the purpose of improving the boundary of Kings Canyon National Park, California, and excluding therefrom certain land that is no longer needed for park purposes, that particular area of the park, comprising approximately 160 acres, lying west of the section line between sections 21 and 22, and lying west of the section line between sections 27 and 28, township 13 south, range 30 east, Mount Diablo meridian, is excluded from the park.

Land excluded from the park by this section on and after August 14, 1958 shall be a part of the Sequoia National Forest.

(Pub. L. 85–666, §1, Aug. 14, 1958, 72 Stat. 616.)

Editorial Notes

CODIFICATION

Section was not enacted as part of act Mar. 4, 1940, ch. 40, 54 Stat. 41, which comprises this subchapter.

§80a-2. Lands excluded from Sequoia National Forest and added to Kings Canyon National Park

For the purpose of facilitating park road maintenance, and to include in the park certain property that is desirable for future use and development, the following land situated in section 7, township 14 south, range 28 east, Mount Diablo meridian, is excluded from the Sequoia National Forest and added to the Kings Canyon National Park:

East half northeast quarter, east half west half northeast quarter, northeast quarter southeast quarter, east half northwest quarter southeast quarter, and those portions of the southeast quarter southeast quarter and of the east half southwest quarter southeast quarter, lying north of the right-of-way of State Highway 180.

(Pub. L. 85-666, §2, Aug. 14, 1958, 72 Stat. 617.)

Editorial Notes

CODIFICATION

Section was not enacted as part of act Mar. 4, 1940, ch. 40, 54 Stat. 41, which comprises this subchapter.

§80a-3. Lands excluded from Sierra National Forest and Sequoia National Forest and added to Kings Canyon National Park

All lands in Tehipite Valley within the Sierra National Forest lying north of a line described as follows:

Beginning at a point on the existing west boundary of the Kings Canyon National Park on the hydrographic divide on the southwest side of the Gorge of Despair in section 13, township 12 south, range 29 east, Mount Diablo base and meridian, being the crest of a ridge designated as Silver Spur;

thence following the crest of Silver Spur westerly to the intersection with the west line of section 14, township 12 south, range 29 east; thence northwesterly in a straight line across the middle fork of the Kings River to the point of intersection of the right bank of a stream or intermittent stream and the 4,400-foot contour north of Tombstone Ridge, in section 15, township 12 south, range 29 east, being a point on the existing west boundary of the park:

and all lands in the Cedar Grove area of the Sequoia National Forest lying east of the west section lines of sections 11 and 14, township 13 south, range 30 east, Mount Diablo base and meridian, are hereby excluded from the said national forests and made a part of the Kings Canyon National Park, subject to all the laws and regulations applicable to such park.

(Pub. L. 89-111, Aug. 6, 1965, 79 Stat. 446.)

Editorial Notes

CODIFICATION

Section was not enacted as part of act Mar. 4, 1940, ch. 40, 54 Stat. 41, which comprises this subchapter.

§ 80b. Administration for public recreational purposes

The National Park Service shall, under the rules and regulations to be prescribed by the Secretary of the Interior, administer for public recreational purposes the lands withdrawn.

(Mar. 4, 1940, ch. 40, §3, 54 Stat. 44.)

Executive Documents

TRANSFER OF FUNCTIONS

For transfer of functions of other officers, employees, and agencies of Department of the Interior, with certain exceptions, to Secretary of the Interior, with power to delegate, see Reorg. Plan No. 3 of 1950, §§1, 2, eff. May 24, 1950, 15 F.R. 3174, 64 Stat. 1262, set out in the Appendix to Title 5, Government Organization and Employees.

§ 80c. Motor-vehicle licenses for Sequoia National Park as applicable; limitation of privileges within park

Any motor-vehicle license issued for Sequoia National Park shall be applicable to Kings Canyon National Park, and vice versa: *Provided*, That in order to insure the permanent preservation of the wilderness character of the Kings Canyon National Park the Secretary of the Interior may, in his discretion, limit the character and number of privileges that he may grant within the Kings Canyon National Park.

(Mar. 4, 1940, ch. 40, § 4, 54 Stat. 44; Aug. 17, 1950, ch. 730, 64 Stat. 458.)

Editorial Notes

AMENDMENTS

1950—Act Aug. 17, 1950, struck out last sentence which restricted concessionaires to a five-year term.

§80d. Administration, protection, and development

The administration, protection, and development of the Kings Canyon National Park shall be exercised under the direction of the Secretary of the Interior by the National Park Service, subject to the provisions of the Act of August 25, 1916 (39 Stat. 535), entitled "An Act to establish a National Park Service, and for other purposes", 1 as amended.

(Mar. 4, 1940, ch. 40, §5, 54 Stat. 44.)

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REFERENCES IN TEXT

The Act of August 25, 1916 (39 Stat. 535), entitled "An Act to establish a National Park Service, and for other purposes", referred to in text, is act Aug. 25, 1916, ch. 408, 39 Stat. 535, known as the National Park Service Organic Act, which enacted sections 1, 2, 3, and 4 of this title and provisions set out as a note under section 100101 of Title 54, National Park Service and Related Programs. Sections 1 to 4 of the Act were repealed and restated as section 1865(a) of Title 18, Crimes and Criminal Procedure, and section 100101(a), chapter 1003, and sections 100751(a), 100752, 100753, and 102101 of Title 54 by Pub. L. 113–287, \S 3, 4(a)(1), 7, Dec. 19, 2014, 128 Stat. 3094, 3260, 3272. For complete classification of this Act to the Code, see Tables. For disposition of former sections of this title, see Disposition Table preceding section 100101 of Title 54.

Executive Documents

TRANSFER OF FUNCTIONS

For transfer of functions of other officers, employees, and agencies of Department of the Interior, with certain exceptions, to Secretary of the Interior, with power to delegate, see Reorg. Plan No. 3 of 1950, §§1, 2, eff. May 24, 1950, 15 F.R. 3174, 64 Stat. 1262, set out in the Appendix to Title 5, Government Organization and Employees.

§ 80d-1. Use of appropriations for road construction

After June 22, 1946, no part of appropriations made for the National Park Service shall be available for road construction in Kings Canyon National Park, California, except on the floor of the canyon of the South Fork of the Kings River and the Grant Grove section of that park.

(July 1, 1946, ch. 529, §1, 60 Stat. 377.)

¹ See References in Text note below.