Pub. L. 110-343, div. C, title VI, §601(a), Oct. 3, 2008, 122 Stat. 3893

§ 7122. General limitation on use of project funds (a) Limitation

Project funds shall be expended solely on projects that meet the requirements of this subchapter.

(b) Authorized uses

Project funds may be used by the Secretary concerned for the purpose of entering into and implementing cooperative agreements with willing Federal agencies, State and local governments, private and nonprofit entities, and landowners for protection, restoration, and enhancement of fish and wildlife habitat, and other resource objectives consistent with the purposes of this chapter on Federal land and on non-Federal land where projects would benefit the resources on Federal land.

(c) Administrative expenses

A resource advisory committee may, in accordance with section 7123 of this title, propose to use not more than 10 percent of the project funds of an eligible county for any fiscal year for administrative expenses associated with operating the resource advisory committee under this subchapter.

(Pub. L. 106-393, title II, §202, as added Pub. L. 110-343, div. C, title VI, §601(a), Oct. 3, 2008, 122 Stat. 3901; amended Pub. L. 112-141, div. F, title I, §100101(a)(5), July 6, 2012, 126 Stat. 906.)

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REFERENCES IN TEXT

This chapter, referred to in subsec. (b), was in the original "this Act", meaning Pub. L. 106–393, Oct. 30, 2000, 114 Stat. 1607, known as the Secure Rural Schools and Community Self-Determination Act of 2000, which is classified principally to this chapter. For complete classification of this Act to the Code, see Short Title note set out under section 7101 of this title and Tables.

PRIOR PROVISIONS

A prior section 202 of Pub. L. 106-393 was set out in a note under section 500 of this title prior to repeal by Pub. L. 110-343, div. C, title VI, §601(a), Oct. 3, 2008, 122 Stat. 3893.

AMENDMENTS

2012—Subsec. (c). Pub. L. 112–141 added subsec. (c).

§ 7123. Submission of project proposals

(a) Submission of project proposals to Secretary concerned

(1) Projects funded using project funds

Not later than September 30 of each fiscal year (or a later date specified by the Secretary concerned for the fiscal year), each resource advisory committee shall submit to the Secretary concerned a description of any projects that the resource advisory committee proposes the Secretary undertake using any project funds reserved by eligible counties in the area in which the resource advisory committee has geographic jurisdiction.

(2) Projects funded using other funds

A resource advisory committee may submit to the Secretary concerned a description of any projects that the committee proposes the Secretary undertake using funds from State or local governments, or from the private sector, other than project funds and funds appropriated and otherwise available to do similar work.

(3) Joint projects

Participating counties or other persons may propose to pool project funds or other funds, described in paragraph (2), and jointly propose a project or group of projects to a resource advisory committee established under section 7125 of this title.

(b) Required description of projects

In submitting proposed projects to the Secretary concerned under subsection (a), a resource advisory committee shall include in the description of each proposed project the following information:

- (1) The purpose of the project and a description of how the project will meet the purposes of this subchapter.
 - (2) The anticipated duration of the project.
 - (3) The anticipated cost of the project.
- (4) The proposed source of funding for the project, whether project funds or other funds.
- (5)(A) Expected outcomes, including how the project will meet or exceed desired ecological conditions, maintenance objectives, or stewardship objectives.
- (B) An estimate of the amount of any timber, forage, and other commodities and other economic activity, including jobs generated, if any, anticipated as part of the project.
- (6) A detailed monitoring plan, including funding needs and sources, that—
 - (A) tracks and identifies the positive or negative impacts of the project, implementation,¹ and provides for validation monitoring; and
 - (B) includes an assessment of the following:
 - (i) Whether or not the project met or exceeded desired ecological conditions; created local employment or training opportunities, including summer youth jobs programs such as the Youth Conservation Corps where appropriate.
 - (ii) Whether the project improved the use of, or added value to, any products removed from land consistent with the purposes of this subchapter.
- (7) An assessment that the project is to be in the public interest.

(c) Authorized projects

Projects proposed under subsection (a) shall be consistent with section 7101 of this title.

(Pub. L. 106–393, title II, $\S203$, as added Pub. L. 110–343, div. C, title VI, $\S601(a)$, Oct. 3, 2008, 122 Stat. 3901; amended Pub. L. 112–141, div. F, title I, $\S100101(a)(2)$, July 6, 2012, 126 Stat. 905; Pub. L. 113–40, $\S10(a)(2)(A)$, Oct. 2, 2013, 127 Stat. 545; Pub. L. 114–10, title V, $\S524(c)(1)$, Apr. 16, 2015, 129 Stat. 180.)

¹ So in original.