Public Law 93-279

AN ACT

To amend the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act by designating the Chattooga River, North Carolina, South Carolina, and Georgia as a component of the National Wild and Scenic Rivers System, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act (82 Stat. 908; 16 U.S.C. 1274 et seq.), as amended, is further amended as follows:

(a) In section 3(a) after paragraph (9) insert the following new paragraph:

"(10) CHATTOOGA, NORTH CAROLINA, SOUTH CAROLINA, GEORGIA.—The Segment from 0.8 mile below Cashiers Lake in North Carolina to Tugaloo Reservoir, and the West Fork Chattooga River from its junction with Chattooga upstream 7.3 miles, as generally depicted on the boundary map entitled 'Proposed Wild and Scenic Chattooga River and Corridor Boundary', dated August 1973; to be administered by the Secretary of Agriculture: Provided, That the Secretary of Agriculture shall take such action as is provided for under subsection (b) of this section within one year from the date of enactment of this paragraph (10): Provided further, That for the purposes of this river, there are authorized to be appropriated not more than $2,000,000 for the acquisition of lands and interests in lands and not more than $809,000 for development."

(b) (1) In section 4 delete subsection (a) and insert in lieu thereof the following:

"Sec. 4. (a) The Secretary of the Interior or, where national forest lands are involved, the Secretary of Agriculture or, in appropriate cases, the two Secretaries jointly shall study and submit to the President reports on the suitability or nonsuitability for addition to the national wild and scenic rivers system of rivers which are designated herein or hereafter by the Congress as potential additions to such system. The President shall report to the Congress his recommendations and proposals with respect to the designation of each such river or section thereof under this Act. Such studies shall be completed and such reports shall be made to the Congress with respect to all rivers named in subparagraphs 5(a) (1) through (27) of this Act no later than October 2, 1978. In conducting these studies the Secretary of the Interior and the Secretary of Agriculture shall give priority to those rivers with respect to which there is the greatest likelihood of developments which, if undertaken, would render the rivers unsuitable for inclusion in the national wild and scenic rivers system. Every such study and plan shall be coordinated with any water resources planning involving the same river which is being conducted pursuant to the Water Resources Planning Act (79 Stat. 244; 42 U.S.C. 1962 et seq.).

Each report, including maps and illustrations, shall show among other things the area included within the report; the characteristics which do or do not make the area a worthy addition to the system; the current status of land ownership and use in the area; the reasonably foreseeable potential uses of the land and water which would be enhanced, foreclosed, or curtailed if the area were included in the national wild and scenic rivers system; the Federal agency (which in the case of a river which is wholly or substantially within a national forest, shall be the Department of Agriculture) by which it is proposed the area, should it be added to the system, be administered; the extent to which it is proposed that such administration, including the costs thereof, be shared by State and local agencies; and the estimated cost to the United States of acquiring necessary lands and interests in
land and of administering the area, should it be added to the system. Each such report shall be printed as a Senate or House document.”

(2) In section 5 delete subsection (b) and reletter subsections (c) and (d) as (b) and (c), respectively.

(3) In section 7(b) delete clause (i) and insert in lieu thereof the following:

“(i) during the ten-year period following enactment of this Act or for a three complete fiscal year period following any Act of Congress designating any river for potential addition to the national wild and scenic rivers system, whichever is later, unless, prior to the expiration of the relevant period, the Secretary of the Interior and, where national forest lands are involved, the Secretary of Agriculture, on the basis of study, determine that such river should not be included in the national wild and scenic rivers system and notify the Committees on Interior and Insular Affairs of the United States Congress, in writing, including a copy of the study upon which the determination was made, at least one hundred and eighty days while Congress is in session prior to publishing notice to that effect in the Federal Register, and”.

(4) In section 7(b)(ii) delete “which is recommended”, insert in lieu thereof “the report for which is submitted”, and delete “for inclusion in the national wild and scenic rivers system”.

(e) In section 15(c) delete “for the purpose of protecting the scenic view from the river,” and insert in lieu thereof “within the authorized boundaries of a component of the wild and scenic rivers system, for the purpose of protecting the natural qualities of a designated wild, scenic or recreational river area.”.

(d) Delete section 16 and insert in lieu thereof:

“SEC. 16. (a) There are hereby authorized to be appropriated, including such sums as have heretofore been appropriated, the following amounts for land acquisition for each of the rivers described in section 3(a) of this Act:

Clearwater, Middle Fork, Idaho, $2,909,800;
Eleven Point, Missouri, $4,906,500;
Feather, Middle Fork, California, $3,985,700;
Rio Grande, New Mexico, $253,000;
Rogue, Oregon, $12,447,200;
St. Croix, Minnesota and Wisconsin, $11,768,550;
Salmon, Middle Fork, Idaho, $1,237,100; and
Wolf, Wisconsin, $142,150.

“(b) The authority to make the appropriations authorized in this section shall expire on June 30, 1979.”

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To authorize certain Federal agencies to detail personnel and to loan equipment to the Bureau of Sport Fisheries and Wildlife, Department of the Interior.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the paragraph headed “Propagation of Food Fishes” of the Act of March 3, 1885 (23 Stat. 494; 16 U.S.C. 743), is amended—

(1) by inserting “(1)” immediately after “Fishes:”; (2) by striking out the last sentence thereof; and

(8) by adding at the end thereof the following new subparagraph: