

“National Children’s Day.” I am proud to be a cosponsor of this resolution for the seventh consecutive year. As it has been for the past 6 years, National Children’s Day is about hope—the hopes we have for children and the hope they must have for themselves. The significant contributions children make to our lives should not go unnoticed.

National Children’s Day gives Americans the opportunity to reflect on what we as parents, community leaders, and policymakers can do for the children of today and tomorrow. The future of today’s children looks bright for a number of reasons. Republicans in Congress are serious about balancing the budget. We would like to give America’s children a unique gift of freedom—freedom from national debt. By balancing the budget and reducing the debt, children will have a chance to experience as adults a far better quality of life than we enjoy today. A balanced budget means lower interest rates, which would make a college education and a first home more affordable. Positive welfare reform, improved access to health care, and some of the toughest-ever child protection laws have helped to make the United States an even better environment for our children.

Technology, too, has opened up an exciting new world of possibilities for young people. Computers are becoming commonplace in classrooms. By utilizing advanced telecommunications, we can expand distance learning opportunities, especially for children in small cities and towns. When I was a kid growing up in Humboldt, SD, library books were my windows to the world. Today’s children can sit at their computers, access the internet, and literally see, learn about, and talk to the world. These opportunities are truly remarkable.

While the outlook for our children is very positive, we must not lose sight of the challenges that lie ahead. National Children’s Day also is about protecting our children from all evil forces, internal or external. Children were the tragic victims in Oklahoma City and, of course, on TWA Flight 800. These and other acts of terror cannot be tolerated. Our children deserve the continued assurance of a childhood full of hope and free from fear.

Each day, children from across South Dakota write letters to me asking for my help. Recently, I received a letter from Brandon Rausch, a young boy in South Dakota working toward a Boy Scout award. He wrote urging me to do something about gangs and school violence. South Dakota recently has experienced an increase in juvenile violence, drug and alcohol abuse, and other destructive behavior. Although South Dakota still has one of the lowest crime rates in our Nation, we no longer are immune from the social problems that used to impact only our Nation’s largest cities. I would tell Brandon, his friends, his parents, and his teachers that I will do my best to

help his community keep the streets safe. Ultimately, we all must work together to defeat crime. Parents, teachers, law enforcement officers, religious and community leaders, and yes, even our kids, must work together. Teamwork is the best work. That is more true today than ever because we live in a world where children are asked to grow up faster than ever.

Mr. President, children from across the Nation visit our Senate offices every day. Among those children from South Dakota who have visited my office recently are Karna Lillebo; Jennifer, Kayla, and Jeremy Nebelsick; Travis and Ryan Oorlog; Matt, Nick, and Katie Padron; Robb, TJ, and Tiffany Roling; and Michael and Timothy Wrenn. I am pleased they had the great opportunity to visit Washington to experience the splendor and beauty of our Nation’s capital. These children and all others deserve the very best we can offer them.

My colleagues may be interested to learn that Father Robert Fox from my home State of South Dakota serves as the national chairman of National Children’s Day. He has been the chair for some time now. He still keeps in contact with Mary McCusker, who, along with her husband, Dr. Patrick McCusker, began celebrating National Children’s Day on the second Sunday in October 47 years ago. Father Fox has been instrumental in gaining worldwide recognition for National Children’s Day. In fact, Immaculate Heart Messenger, a publication that Father Fox edits, recently promoted the celebration of children across our Nation and in countries around the globe.

Over the past 47 years, the meaning of National Children’s Day has remained the same. National Children’s Day promises children, as a Nation, that we will stand by them. As a Nation, we adults will strive to provide for them, to look out for them, and to be their friends and their partners. National Children’s Day reminds us we live both for today and tomorrow. National Children’s Day is a celebration of our Nation’s pride and hope in our children now and for the future.

I want to thank my colleagues, Senators GRAHAM, DEWINE, CHAFEE, GORTON, KASSEBAUM, SPECTOR, STEVENS, THURMOND, FRIST, WARNER, and LOTT for their continued support of this effort. Our bipartisan efforts during this Congress ensure that every day will be National Children’s Day, but on the second Sunday in October, we should all pause for a moment and remember those for whom we all work—our children.

AMENDMENTS SUBMITTED

THE DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR AND RELATED AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS ACT, 1997

McCAIN (AND OTHERS)
AMENDMENT NO. 5317

Mr. MCCAIN (for himself, Mr. COATS, Mr. STEVENS, Mr. LOTT, Mr. ABRAHAM, Mr. ASHCROFT, and Mr. PRESSLER) proposed an amendment to the bill (H.R. 3662) making appropriations for the Department of the Interior and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1997, and for other purposes; as follows:

At the appropriate place in the _____, insert the following:

SEC. _____. (a) Chapter 13 of title 31, United States Code, is amended by inserting after section 1310 the following new section:

“§ 1311. Continuing appropriations

“(a)(1) If any regular appropriation bill for a fiscal year does not become law prior to the beginning of such fiscal year or a joint resolution making continuing appropriations is not in effect, there is appropriated, out of any moneys in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, and out of applicable corporate or other revenues, receipts, and funds, such sums as may be necessary to continue any project or activity for which funds were provided in the preceding fiscal year—

“(A) in the corresponding regular appropriation Act for such preceding fiscal year; or

“(B) if the corresponding regular appropriation bill for such preceding fiscal year did not become law, then in a joint resolution making continuing appropriations for such preceding fiscal year.

“(2) Appropriations and funds made available, and authority granted, for a project or activity for any fiscal year pursuant to this section shall be at a rate of operations not in excess of the lower of—

“(A) the rate of operations provided for in the regular appropriation Act providing for such project or activity for the preceding fiscal year,

“(B) in the absence of such an Act, the rate of operations provided for such project or activity pursuant to a joint resolution making continuing appropriations for such preceding fiscal year,

“(C) the rate of operations provided for in the House or Senate passed appropriation bill for the fiscal year in question, except that the lower of these two versions shall be ignored for any project or activity for which there is a budget request if no funding is provided for that project or activity in either version,

“(D) the rate provided in the budget submission of the President under section 1105(a) of title 31, United States Code, for the fiscal year in question, or

“(E) the annualized rate of operations provided for in the most recently enacted joint resolution making continuing appropriations for part of that fiscal year or any funding levels established under the provisions of this Act.

“(3) Appropriations and funds made available, and authority granted, for any fiscal year pursuant to this section for a project or activity shall be available for the period beginning with the first day of a lapse in appropriations and ending with the earlier of—

“(A) the date on which the applicable regular appropriation bill for such fiscal year becomes law (whether or not such law provides

for such project or activity) or a continuing resolution making appropriations becomes law, as the case may be, or

“(B) the last day of such fiscal year.

“(b) An appropriation or funds made available, or authority granted, for a project or activity for any fiscal year pursuant to this section shall be subject to the terms and conditions imposed with respect to the appropriation made or funds made available for the preceding fiscal year, or authority granted for such project or activity under current law.

“(c) Appropriations and funds made available, and authority granted, for any project or activity for any fiscal year pursuant to this section shall cover all obligations or expenditures incurred for such project or activity during the portion of such fiscal year for which this section applies to such project or activity.

“(d) Expenditures made for a project or activity for any fiscal year pursuant to this section shall be charged to the applicable appropriation, fund, or authorization whenever a regular appropriation bill or a joint resolution making continuing appropriations until the end of a fiscal year providing for such project or activity for such period becomes law.

“(e) This section shall not apply to a project or activity during a fiscal year if any other provision of law (other than an authorization of appropriations)—

“(1) makes an appropriation, makes funds available, or grants authority for such project or activity to continue for such period, or

“(2) specifically provides that no appropriation shall be made, no funds shall be made available, or no authority shall be granted for such project or activity to continue for such period.

“(f) For purposes of this section, the term ‘regular appropriation bill’ means any annual appropriation bill making appropriations, otherwise making funds available, or granting authority, for any of the following categories of projects and activities:

“(1) Agriculture, rural development, and related agencies programs.

“(2) The Departments of Commerce, Justice, and State, the judiciary, and related agencies.

“(3) The Department of Defense.

“(4) The government of the District of Columbia and other activities chargeable in whole or in part against the revenues of the District.

“(5) The Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, and related agencies.

“(6) The Department of Housing and Urban Development, and sundry independent agencies, boards, commissions, corporations, and offices.

“(7) Energy and water development.

“(8) Foreign assistance and related programs.

“(9) The Department of the Interior and related agencies.

“(10) Military construction.

“(11) The Department of Transportation and related agencies.

“(12) The Treasury Department, the U.S. Postal Service, the Executive Office of the President, and certain independent agencies.

“(13) The legislative branch.”

(b) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The analysis of chapter 13 of title 31, United States Code, is amended by inserting after the item relating to section 1310 the following new item: “1311. Continuing appropriations.”

(c) PROTECTION OF OTHER OBLIGATIONS.—Nothing in the amendments made by this section shall be construed to effect Government obligations mandated by other law, in-

cluding obligations with respect to Social Security, Medicare, and Medicaid.

SEC. 3. EFFECTIVE DATE AND SUNSET.

(a) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by this Act shall apply with respect to fiscal years beginning with fiscal year 1997.

(b) SUNSET.—The amendments made by this Act shall sunset and have no force or effect 6 years after the date of enactment of this Act.

CHAFEE AMENDMENT NO. 5318

(Mr. GORTON (for Mr. CHAFEE) proposed an amendment to the bill, H.R. 3662, supra; as follows:

Beginning on page 15, strike line 23 and all that follows through page 16, line 11, and insert the following: “section 101(c) of the Omnibus Consolidation Rescissions and Appropriations Act of 1996 is amended in section 315(c)(1)(E) (110 Stat. 1321–201; 16 U.S.C. 4601–6a note) by striking ‘distributed in accordance with section 201(c) of the Emergency Wetlands Resources Act’ and inserting ‘available to the Secretary of the Interior until expended to be used in accordance with clauses (i), (ii), and (iii) of section 201(c)(A) of the Emergency Wetlands Resources Act of 1986 (16 U.S.C. 3911(c)(A)).’”

CRAIG (AND KEMPTHORNE) AMENDMENT NO. 5319

(Mr. GORTON (for Mr. CRAIG, for himself and Mr. KEMPTHORNE) proposed an amendment to the bill, H.R. 3662, supra; as follows:

On page 62 of the Act, line 18, strike “\$1,285,881,000”, and insert “\$1,285,981,000”.

DEWINE AMENDMENT NO. 5320

(Mr. GORTON (for Mr. DEWINE) proposed an amendment to the bill, H.R. 3662, supra; as follows:

On page 103, line 12: After “counties of” insert “Gallia.”

Expands the moratorium on land acquisition for the Wayne National Forest in Ohio to include Gallia County. Currently, the moratorium includes the counties of Lawrence, Monroe, or Washington, Ohio.

FAIRCLOTH AMENDMENT NO. 5321

Mr. GORTON (for Mr. FAIRCLOTH) proposed an amendment to the bill, H.R. 3662, supra; as follows:

At the appropriate place in title III, insert the following:

SEC. 3 . SNOWBIRD WILDERNESS STUDY AREA.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Section 6(a)(4) of the North Carolina Wilderness Act of 1984 (Public Law 98–324) is amended—

(1) by striking “eight thousand four hundred and ninety acres” and inserting “8,390 acres”; and

(2) by striking “July 1983” and inserting “July 1996”.

(b) MANAGEMENT.—The Secretary of Agriculture shall manage the area removed from wilderness study status by the amendments made by subsection (a) in accordance with the provisions of law applicable to adjacent areas outside the wilderness study area.

GORTON AMENDMENTS NOS. 5322–5325

Mr. GORTON proposed four amendments to the bill, H.R. 3662, supra; as follows:

AMENDMENT NO. 5322

On page 17, line 25, strike “\$165,418,000” and insert “\$165,726,000”.

On page 64, line 21, strike “\$172,167,000” and insert “\$171,859,000”.

AMENDMENT NO. 5323

On page 49, line 19, strike section 115 and insert the following:

SEC. 115. Public Law 102–495 is amended by adding the following new section:

“SEC. 10. WASHINGTON STATE REMOVAL OPTION.

“(a) Upon appropriation of \$29,500,000 for the Federal Government to acquire the projects in Washington State pursuant to this Act, the State of Washington may, upon the submission to Congress of a binding agreement to remove the projects within a reasonable period of time, purchase the projects from the Federal Government for \$2. Such a binding agreement shall provide protection of the existing quality and availability of water from the Elwha River for municipal and industrial uses from possible adverse impacts of dam removal.

“(b) Upon receipt of the payment pursuant to subsection (a), the Federal Government shall relinquish ownership and title of the projects to the State of Washington.

“(c) Upon the purchase of the projects by the State of Washington, section 3 (a), (c), and (d), and sections 4, 7, and 9 of Public Law 102–495 are hereby repealed, and the remaining sections renumbered accordingly.”

AMENDMENT NO. 5324

On page 29, line 8 after the word “exceed” insert: “\$86,520,000 shall be for welfare assistance payments and not to exceed”.

Specifies the amount of funds available for welfare assistance payments in bill language consistent with language contained in the fiscal year 1996 Interior Appropriations bill.

AMENDMENT NO. 5325

On page 16, line 25, strike “\$4,000,000” and insert “\$3,000,000”.

GORTON (AND BYRD) AMENDMENT NO. 5326

Mr. GORTON (for himself and Mr. BYRD) proposed an amendment to the bill, H.R. 3662, supra; as follows:

On page 62, line 20, after the word “including” delete the linetype and delete “60”.

GORTON AMENDMENT NO. 5327

Mr. GORTON proposed an amendment to the bill, H.R. 3662, supra; as follows:

On page 17, line 25, after “expended” insert the following: “, of which \$270,000 shall be used for appropriate fish restoration projects not related to dam removal including reimbursement of the State of Washington for emergency actions taken to protect the 1996 run of fall chinook salmon on the Elwha River”.

GORTON (AND BYRD) AMENDMENT NO. 5328

Mr. GORTON (for himself and Mr. BYRD) proposed an amendment to the bill, H.R. 3662, supra; as follows:

After line 13 on page 61 of the bill, insert the following:

SEC. . The second proviso under the heading “Bureau of Mines, Administrative Provisions” of Public Law 104–134 is amended by inserting after the word “authorized” the word “hereafter”.

GORTON (AND BYRD) AMENDMENTS NOS. 5329–5330

Mr. GORTON (for himself and Mr. BYRD) proposed two amendments to the bill, H.R. 3662, supra; as follows:

AMENDMENT NO. 5329

On page 118, after line 9, insert the following:

SEC. . The Columbia Wilderness, created by the Oregon Wilderness Act of 1984, Public Law 98-328, located in the Mt. Hood National Forest, Oregon, shall be known and designated as the "Mark O. Hatfield Wilderness".

Any references in a law, map, regulation, document, paper, or other record of the United States to the Columbia Wilderness shall be deemed to be a reference to the "Mark O. Hatfield Wilderness".

AMENDMENT NO. 5330

On page 20, after line 22, insert the following new paragraph:

Notwithstanding any other provision of law, remaining balances, including interest, from funds granted to the National Park Foundation pursuant to the National Park System Visitor Facilities Fund Act of 1983 (P.L. 97-433, 96 Stat. 2277) shall be available to the National Park Foundation for expenditure in units of the National Park System for the purpose of improving visitor facilities.

(Purpose: This bill language would allow the National Park Foundation to expend remaining balances and accrued interest from funds granted to it by the National Park Service in Fiscal Years 1984 and 1985 pursuant to the National Park System Visitor Facilities Fund Act of 1983 (P.L. 97-433, 96 Stat. 2277). That Act provided for the expenditure of funds by the Foundation to improve the quality of visitor facilities in the park system nation-wide.)

GORTON AMENDMENT NO. 5331

Mr. GORTON proposed an amendment to the bill H.R. 3662, supra; as follows:

On page 104, line 9, strike line 1 and all that follows through page 104, line 14.

GORTON (AND BYRD) AMENDMENT NO. 5332

Mr. GORTON (for himself and Mr. BYRD) proposed an amendment to the bill, H.R. 3662, supra; as follows:

On page 11, line 2, strike all after "Act," through "until expended" on line 8 and insert the following: "and of which \$2,000,000 shall be provided to local governments in southern California for planning associated with the Natural Communities Conservation Planning (NCCP) program".

HATFIELD AMENDMENTS NOS. 5333-5334

Mr. GORTON (for Mr. HATFIELD) proposed two amendments to the bill, H.R. 3662, supra; as follows:

AMENDMENT NO. 5333

On page 74, line 9, insert the following: "The Pacific Northwest Research Station Silviculture Lab in Bend, Oregon is hereby named the Robert W. Chandler Building. The dedication provides commemorative recognition to Robert W. Chandler, editor of the Bend Bulletin newspaper, longtime community servant and advocate for sound silvicultural practices in Central and Eastern Oregon."

AMENDMENT NO. 5334

On page 9, line 22, insert the following: "The Bureau of Land Management's Visitors Center in Rand, Oregon is hereby named the William B. Smullin Visitor Center. The

dedication provides commemorative recognition to William B. Smullin, founder of California Oregon Broadcasting, Incorporated, who brought broadcasting to Northern California and Southern Oregon."

HUTCHISON AMENDMENT NO. 5335

Mr. GORTON (for Mrs. HUTCHISON) proposed an amendment to the bill, H.R. 3662, supra; as follows:

On page 12, line 21, strike "\$50,802,000" and insert "\$50,552,000".

On page 62, line 18, strike "1,285,881,000" and insert "1,286,131,000".

JOHNSTON AMENDMENT NO. 5336

Mr. GORTON (for Mr. JOHNSTON) proposed an amendment to the bill, H.R. 3662, supra; as follows:

On page 61, after line 13, insert the following new section:

SEC. 1 . Visitor Center Designation at Jean Lafitte National Historical Park.

(a) The visitor center at Jean Lafitte National Historical Park, located at 418 Rue Decatur in New Orleans, Louisiana is hereby designated as the "Laura C. Hudson Visitor Center".

(b) Any reference in law, regulation, paper, record, map, or any other document in the United States to the visitor center referred to in subsection (a) shall be deemed to be a reference to the "Laura C. Hudson Visitor Center".

MURKOWSKI (AND OTHERS) AMENDMENT NO. 5337

Mr. GORTON (for Mr. MURKOWSKI, for himself, Mr. BURNS, and Mr. CRAIG) proposed an amendment to the bill, H.R. 3662, supra; as follows:

On page 74, after line 8, insert the following new paragraph:

The Secretary of Agriculture shall by March 31, 1997 report to the Committees on Appropriations of the House of Representatives and the Senate on the status and disposition of all salvage timber sales started under the authority of Section 2001 of PL 104-121 and subsequently withdrawn or delayed and completed under different authorities as a consequence of the July 2, 1996 Directive on the implementation of Section 2001 issued by the Secretary.

MURKOWSKI (AND STEVENS) AMENDMENT NO. 5338

Mr. GORTON (for Mr. MURKOWSKI, for himself and Mr. STEVENS) proposed an amendment to the bill, H.R. 3662, supra; as follows:

On page 104, strike all in lines 15 thru 23, and insert in lieu thereof:

SEC. 318. "None of the funds available to the Department of the Interior or the Department of Agriculture by this or any other Act may be used to prepare, promulgate, implement, or enforce any rule or regulation pursuant to Title VIII of the Alaska National Interest Lands Conservation Act to assert jurisdiction, management, or control over any waters (other than non-navigable waters on federal lands), non-federal lands, or lands selected by, but not conveyed to, the State of Alaska pursuant to the Submerged Lands Act of 1953 or the Alaska Statehood Act, or an Alaska Native Corporation pursuant to the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act."

NICKLES AMENDMENT NO. 5339

Mr. GORTON (for Mr. NICKLES) proposed an amendment to the bill, H.R. 3662, supra; as follows:

On page 83, line 21 of the bill, insert the following before the period: "Provided further, That funds made available to the Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma in this Act, including Indian Self-Determination Act compact 'tribal shares,' medicaid/medicare collections and carry-over funds may be used to support construction of a facility to replace the Talihina Indian Hospital so long as the current level of health care services is not diminished".

ROBB (AND WARNER) AMENDMENT NO. 5340

Mr. GORTON (for Mr. ROBB, for himself and Mr. WARNER) proposed amendment to the bill, H.R. 3662, supra; as follows:

On page 12, line 23, after "Kentucky," add: "and of which \$1,500,000 shall be for acquisition at Back Bay National Wildlife Refuge and of which \$1,000,000 shall be for acquisition at Rappahannock National Wildlife Refuge."

SARBANES AMENDMENT NO. 5341

Mr. GORTON (for Mr. SARBANES) proposed an amendment to the bill, H.R. 3662, supra; as follows:

On page 27, line 21, before the period, insert the following: "Provided further, That the State of Maryland may set aside the greater of \$1,000,000 on 10 percent of the total of the grants made available to the State under title IV of the Surface Mining Control and Reclamation Act of 1977 (30 U.S.C. 1231 et seq.) if the amount set aside is deposited in an acid mine drainage abatement and treatment fund established under a State law, pursuant to which law the amount (together with all interest earned on the amount) is expended by the State to undertake acid mine drainage abatement and treatment projects".

STEVENS AMENDMENT NO. 5342

Mr. GORTON (for Mr. STEVENS) proposed an amendment to the bill, H.R. 3662, supra; as follows:

On page 4, line 3, after "expended" insert the following: "Provided further, That \$250,000 of the funds available to the Bureau of Land Management for the Alaska conveyance shall be available for activities preparatory to resumption of leasing of oil and gas in the National Petroleum Reserve in Alaska pursuant to Public Law 96-514".

GORTON (AND OTHERS) AMENDMENT NO. 5343

Mr. GORTON (for himself, Mr. HATFIELD, and Mrs. MURRAY) proposed an amendment to the bill, H.R. 3662, supra; as follows:

At the appropriate section in title III, insert the following new section:

SEC. . Notwithstanding any other provision of law, for fiscal year 1997 the Secretaries of Agriculture and Interior are authorized to limit competition for watershed restoration project contracts as part of the "Jobs in the Woods" component of the President's forest Plan for the Pacific Northwest to individuals and entities in historically timber-dependent areas in the States of Washington, Oregon, and northern California

that have been affected by reduced timber harvesting on Federal lands.

BROWN AMENDMENTS NOS. 5344—5346

(Ordered to lie on the table.)

Mr. BROWN submitted three amendments intended to be proposed by him to the bill, H.R. 3662, supra; as follows:

AMENDMENT NO. 5344

At the appropriate place in the bill insert the following new section:

“SEC. . FEE EQUITY STUDY.

“(1) It is the policy of the Congress that entrance, tourism, and recreational use fees for the use of Federal lands and facilities not discriminate against any State or any region of the country.

“(2) Not later than October 1, 1997, the Secretary of the Interior, in cooperation with the heads of other affected agencies shall prepare and submit to the Senate and House Appropriations Committees a report that—

“(A) identifies all Federal lands and facilities that provide tourism or recreational use; and

“(B) analyzes by State and region any fees charged for entrance to or for tourism or recreational use of Federal lands and facilities in a State or region, individually and collectively.

“(3) Not later than October 1, 1998, the Secretary of the Interior, in cooperation with the heads of other affected agencies, shall prepare and submit to the Senate and House Appropriations Committees any recommendations that the Secretary may have for implementing the policy stated in subsection (1).”

AMENDMENT NO. 5345

At the appropriate place in the bill insert the following new section:

SEC. 2. PURPOSE.

Section 2(b) of the National Trails System Act (16 U.S.C. 1241(b)) is amended by striking “recreation, scenic and historic” and inserting “recreation, scenic, historic, and discovery”.

SEC. 3. AUTHORIZATION OF NATIONAL DISCOVERY TRAILS.

Section 3(a) of the National Trails System Act (16 U.S.C. 1242(a)) is amended—

(1) by redesignating paragraph (4) as paragraph (5); and

(2) by inserting after paragraph (3) the following:

“(4) National discovery trails, established by section 5(a), which shall—

“(A) be extended, continuous, interstate trails;

“(B) be located so as to—

“(i) provide for outstanding outdoor recreation and travel; and

“(ii) represent metropolitan, urban, rural, and back-country regions of the United States;

“(C) connect representative examples of United States trails and communities; and

“(D) provide for the conservation and enjoyment of significant natural, cultural, and historic resources associated with each trail corridor.”.

SEC. 4. DESIGNATION OF THE AMERICAN DISCOVERY TRAIL AS A NATIONAL DISCOVERY TRAIL.

(a) DESCRIPTION.—Section 5(a) of the National Trails System Act (16 U.S.C. 1244(a)) is amended by adding at the end the following:

“(20) The American Discovery Trail, a trail of approximately 6,000 miles extending from Cape Henlopen State Park in Delaware to Point Reyes National Seashore in California, traveling through Delaware, Maryland, the District of Columbia, West Virginia, Ken-

tucky, and Ohio, near Cincinnati splitting into the Northern Midwest route through Ohio, Indiana, Illinois, Iowa, Nebraska, and Colorado and the Southern Midwest route through Indiana, Illinois, Missouri, Kansas, and Colorado, rejoining in Denver, and continuing through Colorado, Utah, Nevada, and California. The trail is generally described in volume 2 of the National Park Service feasibility study dated June 1995, which shall be on file and available for public inspection in the office of the Director of the National Park Service. The trail shall be administered by the Secretary of the Interior in cooperation with a nonprofit organization and other affected land managing agencies. The trail shall not be subject to section 5(d), 7(a)(2), 7(e), or 7(f).”.

(b) PLAN FOR NEW NATIONAL DISCOVERY TRAILS.—Section 5(e) of the National Trails System Act (16 U.S.C. 1244(e)) is amended by striking “Continental Divide” and all that follows through “as part of the system” and inserting “Continental Divide National Scenic Trail or the North Country National Scenic Trail, or a national discovery trail, except for the American Discovery Trail, as part of the system”.

(c) PLAN FOR THE AMERICAN DISCOVERY TRAIL.—Section 5 of the National Trails System Act (16 U.S.C. 1244) is amended by adding at the end the following:

“(g) PLAN FOR THE AMERICAN DISCOVERY TRAIL.—Not later than 3 full fiscal years after the date of enactment of this subsection, the responsible nonprofit organization for the American Discovery Trail established by subsection (a)(20) shall, after consultation with the Secretary of the Interior, other affected land managing agencies, the Governors of affected States, county and local political jurisdictions, and local organizations maintaining component trails, submit to the Committee on Resources of the House of Representatives and the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources of the Senate, a comprehensive plan for the protection, management, development, and use of the trail, not to conflict with any agency direction, including—

“(1) specific objectives and practices to be observed in the administration and management of the trail, including—

“(A) the identification of all significant natural, historical, and cultural resources to be preserved;

“(B) model agreements necessary for joint trail administration among interested parties;

“(C) an identified carrying capacity of the trail; and

“(D) an implementation plan;

“(2) a 10-year trail corridor protection plan to preserve the values for which the trail was established and recognized by the United States;

“(3) general and site-specific development plans, including anticipated costs; and

“(4) the process to be followed by the nonprofit organization in partnership with the Secretary of the Interior to implement the trail markers described in section 7(c) to conform to approved trail logo or emblem requirements.”.

SEC. 5. ADMINISTRATION.

Section 7 of the National Trails System Act (16 U.S.C. 1246) is amended by adding at the end the following:

“(1) NATIONAL DISCOVERY TRAILS.—The Secretary charged with the overall administration of a trail under section 5(a) shall administer a national discovery trail in cooperation with a nonprofit organization.”.

SEC. 6. CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.

(a) Section 5 of the National Trails System Act (16 U.S.C. 1244) is amended—

(1) in the section heading, by striking “AND NATIONAL HISTORICAL” and inserting “, NA-

TIONAL HISTORIC, AND NATIONAL DISCOVERY”; and

(2) in the second sentence of subsection (a), by striking “National Scenic and National Historic Trails” and inserting “national scenic, national historic, and national discovery trails”.

(b) The National Trails System Act (16 U.S.C. 1241 et seq.) is amended—

(1) by striking “scenic and national historic” each place it appears and inserting “scenic, national historic, and national discovery”;

(2) by striking “scenic or national historic” each place it appears and inserting “scenic, national historic, or national discovery”; and

(3) by striking “scenic, or national historic” each place it appears and inserting “scenic, national historic, or national discovery”.

AMENDMENT NO. 5346

At the end of the amendment, add the following:

TITLE —CACHE LA POUFRE

SEC. .01. PURPOSE.

The purpose of this title is to designate the Cache La Poudre Corridor within the Cache La Poudre River Basin and to provide for the interpretation, for the educational and inspirational benefit of present and future generations, of the unique and significant contributions to our national heritage of cultural and historical lands, waterways, and structures within the Corridor.

SEC. .02. DEFINITIONS.

In this title:

(1) COMMISSION.—The term “Commission” means the Cache La Poudre Corridor Commission established by section .04(a).

(2) CORRIDOR.—The term “Corridor” means the Cache La Poudre River National Corridor established by section .03(a).

(3) GOVERNOR.—The term “Governor” means the Governor of the State of Colorado.

(4) PLAN.—The term “Plan” means the corridor interpretation plan prepared by the Commission pursuant to section .08(a).

(5) POLITICAL SUBDIVISION OF THE STATE.—The term “political subdivision of the State” means a political subdivision of the State of Colorado, any part of which is located in or adjacent to the Corridor, including a county, city, town, water conservancy district, or special district.

(6) SECRETARY.—The term “Secretary” means the Secretary of the Interior.

SEC. .03. ESTABLISHMENT OF THE CACHE LA POUFRE CORRIDOR.

(a) ESTABLISHMENT.—There is established in the State of Colorado the Cache La Poudre Corridor.

(b) BOUNDARIES.—The boundaries of the Corridor shall include the lands within the 100-year flood plain of the Cache La Poudre River Basin, beginning at a point where the Cache La Poudre River flows out of the Roosevelt National Forest and continuing east along said floodplain to a point one quarter of one mile west of the confluence of the Cache La Poudre River and the South Platte Rivers in Weld County, Colorado, comprising less than 35,000 acres, and generally depicted as the 100-year flood boundary on the Federal Flood Insurance maps listed below:

(1) FLOOD INSURANCE RATE MAP, LARIMER COUNTY, COLORADO.—Community-Panel No. 080101 0146B, April 2, 1979. United States Department of Housing and Urban Development, Federal Insurance Administration.

(2) FLOOD INSURANCE RATE MAP, LARIMER COUNTY, COLORADO.—Community-Panel No. 080101 0147B, April 2, 1979. United States Department of Housing and Urban Development, Federal Insurance Administration.

(3) FLOOD INSURANCE RATE MAP, LARIMER COUNTY, COLORADO.—Community-Panel No. 080101 0162B, April 2, 1979. United States Department of Housing and Urban Development, Federal Insurance Administration.

(4) FLOOD INSURANCE RATE MAP, LARIMER COUNTY, COLORADO.—Community-Panel No. 080101 0163C, March 18, 1986. Federal Emergency Management Agency, Federal Insurance Administration.

(5) FLOOD INSURANCE RATE MAP, LARIMER COUNTY, COLORADO.—Community-Panel No. 080101 0178C, March 18, 1986. Federal Emergency Management Agency, Federal Insurance Administration.

(6) FLOOD INSURANCE RATE MAP, LARIMER COUNTY, COLORADO.—Community-Panel No. 080102 0002B, February 15, 1984. Federal Emergency Management Agency, Federal Insurance Administration.

(7) FLOOD INSURANCE RATE MAP, LARIMER COUNTY, COLORADO.—Community-Panel No. 080101 0179C, March 18, 1986. Federal Emergency Management Agency, Federal Insurance Administration.

(8) FLOOD INSURANCE RATE MAP, LARIMER COUNTY, COLORADO.—Community-Panel No. 080101 0193D, November 17, 1993. Federal Emergency Management Agency, Federal Insurance Administration.

(9) FLOOD INSURANCE RATE MAP, LARIMER COUNTY, COLORADO.—Community-Panel No. 080101 0194D, November 17, 1993. Federal Emergency Management Agency, Federal Insurance Administration.

(10) FLOOD INSURANCE RATE MAP, LARIMER COUNTY, COLORADO.—Community-Panel No. 080101 0208C, November 17, 1993. Federal Emergency Management Agency, Federal Insurance Administration.

(11) FLOOD INSURANCE RATE MAP, LARIMER COUNTY, COLORADO.—Community-Panel No. 080101 0221C, November 17, 1993. Federal Emergency Management Agency, Federal Insurance Administration.

(12) FLOOD INSURANCE RATE MAP, LARIMER COUNTY, COLORADO.—Community-Panel No. 080266 0605D, September 27, 1991. Federal Emergency Management Agency, Federal Insurance Administration.

(13) FLOOD INSURANCE RATE MAP, LARIMER COUNTY, COLORADO.—Community-Panel No. 080264 0005A, September 27, 1991. Federal Emergency Management Agency, Federal Insurance Administration.

(14) FLOOD INSURANCE RATE MAP, LARIMER COUNTY, COLORADO.—Community-Panel No. 080266 0608D, September 27, 1991. Federal Emergency Management Agency, Federal Insurance Administration.

(15) FLOOD INSURANCE RATE MAP, LARIMER COUNTY, COLORADO.—Community-Panel No. 080266 0609C, September 28, 1982. Federal Emergency Management Agency, Federal Insurance Administration.

(16) FLOOD INSURANCE RATE MAP, LARIMER COUNTY, COLORADO.—Community-Panel No. 080266 0628C, September 28, 1982. Federal Emergency Management Agency, Federal Insurance Administration.

(17) FLOOD INSURANCE RATE MAP, LARIMER COUNTY, COLORADO.—Community-Panel No. 080184 0002B, July 16, 1979. United States Department of Housing and Urban Development, Federal Insurance Administration.

(18) FLOOD INSURANCE RATE MAP, LARIMER COUNTY, COLORADO.—Community-Panel No. 080266 0636C, September 28, 1982. Federal Emergency Management Agency, Federal Insurance Administration.

(19) FLOOD INSURANCE RATE MAP, LARIMER COUNTY, COLORADO.—Community-Panel No. 080266 0637C, September 28, 1982. Federal Emergency Management Agency, Federal Insurance Administration.

As soon as practicable after the date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary shall pub-

lish in the Federal Register a detailed description and map of the boundaries of the Corridor.

(c) PUBLIC ACCESS TO MAPS.—The maps shall be on file and available for public inspection in—

(1) the offices of the Department of the Interior in Washington, District of Columbia, and Denver, Colorado; and

(2) local offices of the city of Fort Collins, Larimer County, the city of Greeley, and Weld County.

SEC. 04. ESTABLISHMENT OF THE CACHE LA POUDE CORRIDOR COMMISSION.

(a) ESTABLISHMENT.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—There is established the Cache La Poudre Corridor Commission.

(2) FUNCTION.—The Commission, in consultation with appropriate Federal, State, and local authorities, shall develop and implement an integrated plan to interpret elements of the history of water development within the Corridor.

(b) MEMBERSHIP.—

(1) COMPOSITION.—The Commission shall be composed of 15 members appointed not later than 6 months after the date of enactment of this Act. Of these 15 members—

(A) 1 member shall be a representative of the Secretary of the Interior which member shall be an ex officio member;

(B) 1 member shall be a representative of the Forest Service, appointed by the Secretary of Agriculture, which member shall be an ex officio member;

(C) 3 members shall be recommended by the Governor and appointed by the Secretary, of whom—

(i) 1 member shall represent the State;

(ii) 1 member shall represent Colorado State University in Fort Collins; and

(iii) 1 member shall represent the Northern Colorado Water Conservancy District;

(D) 6 members shall be representatives of local governments who are recommended by the Governor and appointed by the Secretary, of whom—

(i) 1 member shall represent the city of Fort Collins;

(ii) 2 members shall represent Larimer County, 1 of which shall represent agriculture or irrigated water interests;

(iii) 1 member shall represent the city of Greeley;

(iv) 2 members shall represent Weld County, 1 of which shall represent agricultural or irrigated water interests; and

(v) 1 member shall represent the city of Loveland; and

(E) 3 members shall be recommended by the Governor and appointed by the Secretary, and shall—

(i) represent the general public;

(ii) be citizens of the State; and

(iii) reside within the Corridor.

(2) CHAIRPERSON.—The chairperson of the Commission shall be elected by the members of the Commission from among members appointed under subparagraph (C), (D), or (E) of paragraph (1). The chairperson shall be elected for a 2-year term.

(3) VACANCIES.—A vacancy on the Commission shall be filled in the same manner in which the original appointment was made.

(c) TERMS OF SERVICE.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Except as provided in paragraphs (2) and (3), each member of the Commission shall be appointed for a term of 3 years and may be reappointed.

(2) INITIAL MEMBERS.—The initial members of the Commission first appointed under subsection (b)(1) shall be appointed as follows:

(A) 3-YEAR TERMS.—The following initial members shall serve for a 3-year term:

(i) The representative of the Secretary of the Interior.

(ii) 1 representative of Weld County.

(iii) 1 representative of Larimer County.

(iv) 1 representative of the city of Loveland.

(v) 1 representative of the general public.

(B) 2-YEAR TERMS.—The following initial members shall serve for a 2-year term:

(i) The representative of the Forest Service.

(ii) The representative of the State.

(iii) The representative of Colorado State University.

(iv) The representative of the Northern Colorado Water Conservancy District.

(C) 1-YEAR TERMS.—The following initial members shall serve for a 1-year term:

(i) 1 representative of the city of Fort Collins.

(ii) 1 representative of Larimer County.

(iii) 1 representative of the city of Greeley.

(iv) 1 representative of Weld County.

(v) 1 representative of the general public.

(3) PARTIAL TERMS.—

(A) FILLING VACANCIES.—A member of the Commission appointed to fill a vacancy occurring before the expiration of the term for which a predecessor was appointed shall be appointed only for the remainder of the member's term.

(B) EXTENDED SERVICE.—A member of the Commission may serve after the expiration of that member's term until a successor has taken office.

(d) COMPENSATION.—Members of the Commission shall receive no compensation for their service on the Commission.

(e) TRAVEL EXPENSES.—While away from their homes or regular places of business in the performance of services for the Commission, members shall be allowed travel expenses, including per diem in lieu of subsistence, in the same manner as persons employed intermittently in the Government service are allowed expenses under section 5703 of title 5, United States Code.

SEC. 05. STAFF OF THE COMMISSION.

(a) STAFF.—The Commission shall have the power to appoint and fix the compensation of such staff as may be necessary to carry out the duties of the Commission.

(1) APPOINTMENT AND COMPENSATION.—Staff appointed by the Commission—

(A) shall be appointed without regard to the city service laws (including regulations); and

(B) shall be compensated without regard to the provisions of chapter 51 and subchapter III of chapter 53 of title 5, United States Code, relating to classification of positions and General Schedule pay rates.

(b) EXPERTS AND CONSULTANTS.—Subject to such rules as may be adopted by the Commission, the Commission may procure temporary and intermittent services to the same extent as is authorized by section 3109(b) of title 5, United States Code, at rates for individuals that do not exceed the daily equivalent of the annual rate of basic pay prescribed for level V of the Executive Schedule under section 5316 of that title.

(c) STAFF OF OTHER AGENCIES.—

(1) FEDERAL.—Upon request of the Commission, the head of a Federal agency may detail, on a reimbursement basis, any of the personnel of the agency to the Commission to assist the Commission in carrying out the Commission's duties. The detail shall be without interruption or loss of civil service status or privilege.

(2) ADMINISTRATIVE SUPPORT SERVICES.—The Administrator of the General Services Administration shall provide to the Commission, on a reimbursable basis, such administrative support services as the Commission may request.

(3) STATE.—The Commission may—

(A) accept the service of personnel detailed from the State, State agencies, and political subdivisions of the State; and

(B) reimburse the State, State agency, or political subdivision of the State for such services.

SEC. 06. POWERS OF THE COMMISSION.

(a) HEARINGS.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—The Commission may hold such hearings, sit and act at such times and places, take such testimony, and receive such evidence as the Commission considers necessary to carry out this title.

(2) SUBPOENAS.—The Commission may not issue subpoenas or exercise any subpoena authority.

(b) MAILS.—The Commission may use the United States mails in the same manner and under the same conditions as other departments and agencies of the Federal Government.

(c) MATCHING FUNDS.—The Commission may use its funds to obtain money from any source under a program or law requiring the recipient of the money to make a contribution in order to receive the money.

(d) GIFTS.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Except as provided in subsection (e)(3), the Commission may, for the purpose of carrying out its duties, seek, accept, and dispose of gifts, bequests, or donations of money, personal property, or services received from any source.

(2) CHARITABLE CONTRIBUTIONS.—For the purpose of section 170(c) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, a gift to the Commission shall be deemed to be a gift to the United States.

(e) REAL PROPERTY.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Except as provided in paragraph (2), the Commission may not acquire real property or an interest in real property.

(2) EXCEPTION.—Subject to paragraph (3), the Commission may acquire real property in the Corridor, and interests in real property in the Corridor—

(A) by gift or device;

(B) by purchase from a willing seller with money that was given or bequeathed to the Commission; or

(C) by exchange.

(3) CONVEYANCE TO PUBLIC AGENCIES.—Any real property or interest in real property acquired by the Commission under paragraph (2) shall be conveyed by the Commission to an appropriate non-Federal public agency, as determined by the Commission. The conveyance shall be made—

(A) as soon as practicable after acquisition;

(B) without consideration; and

(C) on the condition that the real property or interest in real property so conveyed is used in furtherance of the purpose for which the Corridor is established.

(f) COOPERATIVE AGREEMENTS.—For the purpose of carrying out the Plan, the Commission may enter into cooperative agreements with Federal agencies, State agencies, political subdivisions of the State, and persons. Any such cooperative agreement shall, at a minimum, establish procedures for providing notice to the Commission of any action that may affect the implementation of the Plan.

(g) ADVISORY GROUPS.—The Commission may establish such advisory groups as it considers necessary to ensure open communication with, and assistance from Federal agencies, State agencies, political subdivisions of the State, and interested persons.

(h) MODIFICATION OF PLANS.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—The Commission may modify the Plan if the Commission determines that such modification is necessary to carry out this title.

(2) NOTICE.—No modification shall take effect until—

(A) any Federal agency, State agency, or political subdivision of the State that may

be affected by the modification receives adequate notice of, and an opportunity to comment on, the modification;

(B) if the modification is significant, as determined by the Commission, the Commission has—

(i) provided adequate notice of the modification by publication in the area of the Corridor; and

(ii) conducted a public hearing with respect to the modification; and

(C) the Governor has approved the modification.

SEC. 07. DUTIES OF THE COMMISSION.

(a) PLAN.—The Commission shall prepare, obtain approval for, implement, and support the Plan in accordance with section 08.

(b) MEETINGS.—

(1) TIMING.—

(A) INITIAL MEETING.—The Commission shall hold its first meeting not later than 90 days after the date on which its last initial member is appointed.

(B) SUBSEQUENT MEETINGS.—After the initial meeting, the Commission shall meet at the call of the chairperson or 7 of its members, except that the commission shall meet at least quarterly.

(2) QUORUM.—Ten members of the Commission shall constitute a quorum, but a lesser number of members may hold hearings.

(3) BUDGET.—The affirmative vote of not less than 10 members of the Commission shall be required to approve the budget of the Commission.

(c) ANNUAL REPORTS.—Not later than May 15 of each year, following the year in which the members of the Commission have been appointed, the Commission shall publish and submit to the Secretary and to the Governor, an annual report concerning the Commission's activities.

SEC. 08. PREPARATION, REVIEW, AND IMPLEMENTATION OF THE PLAN.

(a) PREPARATION OF PLAN.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 2 years after the Commission conducts its first meeting, the Commission shall submit to the Governor a Corridor Interpretation Plan.

(2) DEVELOPMENT.—In developing the Plan, the Commission shall—

(A) consult on a regular basis with appropriate officials of any Federal or State agency, political subdivision of the State, and local government that has jurisdiction over or an ownership interest in land, water, or water rights within the Corridor; and

(B) conduct public hearings within the Corridor for the purpose of providing interested persons the opportunity to testify about matters to be addressed by the Plan.

(3) RELATIONSHIP TO EXISTING PLANS.—The Plan—

(A) shall recognize any existing Federal, State, and local plans;

(B) shall not interfere with the implementation, administration, or amendment of such plans; and

(C) to the extent feasible, shall seek to coordinate the plans and present a unified interpretation plan for the Corridor.

(b) REVIEW OF PLAN.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—The Commission shall submit the Plan to the Governor for the Governor's review.

(2) GOVERNOR.—The Governor may review the Plan and if he concurs in the Plan, may submit the Plan to the Secretary, together with any recommendations.

(3) SECRETARY.—The Secretary shall approve or disapprove the Plan within 90 days. In reviewing the Plan, the Secretary shall consider the adequacy of—

(A) public participation; and

(B) the Plan in interpreting, for the educational and inspirational benefit of present and future generations, the unique and sig-

nificant contributions to our national heritage of cultural and historical lands, waterways, and structures within the Corridor.

(c) DISAPPROVAL OF PLAN.—

(1) NOTIFICATION BY SECRETARY.—If the Secretary disapproves the Plan, the Secretary shall, not later than 60 days after the date of disapproval, advise the Governor and the Commission of the reasons for disapproval, together with recommendations for revision.

(2) REVISION AND RESUBMISSION TO GOVERNOR.—Not later than 90 days after receipt of the notice of disapproval, the Commission shall revise and resubmit the Plan to the Governor for review.

(3) RESUBMISSION TO SECRETARY.—If the Governor concurs in the revised Plan, he may submit the revised Plan to the Secretary who shall approve or disapprove the revision within 60 days. If the Governor does not concur in the revised Plan, he may resubmit it to the Commission together with his recommendations for further consideration and modification.

(d) IMPLEMENTATION OF PLAN.—After approval by the Secretary, the Commission shall implement and support the Plan as follows:

(1) CULTURAL RESOURCES.—

(A) IN GENERAL.—The Commission shall assist Federal agencies, State agencies, political subdivisions of the State, and nonprofit organizations in the conservation and interpretation of cultural resources within the Corridor.

(B) EXCEPTION.—In providing the assistance, the Commission shall in no way infringe upon the authorities and policies of a Federal agency, State agency, or political subdivision of the State concerning the administration and management of property, water, or water rights held by such agency, political subdivision, or private persons or entities, or affect the jurisdiction of the State of Colorado over any property, water, or water rights within the Corridor.

(2) PUBLIC AWARENESS.—The Commission shall assist in the enhancement of public awareness of, and appreciation for, the historical, recreational, architectural, and engineering structures in the Corridor, and the archaeological, geological, and cultural resources and sites in the Corridor—

(A) by encouraging private owners of identified structures, sites, and resources to adopt voluntary measures for the preservation of the identified structure, site, or resource; and

(B) by cooperating with Federal agencies, State agencies, and political subdivisions of the State in acquiring, on a willing seller basis, any identified structure, site, or resource which the Commission, with the concurrence of the Governor, determines should be acquired and held by an agency of the State.

(3) RESTORATION.—The Commission may assist Federal agencies, State agencies, political subdivisions of the State, and nonprofit organizations in the restoration of any identified structure or site in the Corridor with consent of the owner. The assistance may include providing technical assistance for historic preservation, revitalization, and enhancement efforts.

(4) INTERPRETATION.—The Commission shall assist in the interpretation of the historical, present, and future uses of the Corridor—

(A) by consulting with the Secretary with respect to the implementation of the Secretary's duties under section 10;

(B) by assisting the State and political subdivisions of the State in establishing and maintaining visitor orientation centers and other interpretive exhibits within the Corridor;

(C) by encouraging voluntary cooperation and coordination, with respect to ongoing interpretive services in the Corridor, among Federal agencies, State agencies, political subdivisions of the State, nonprofit organizations, and private citizens; and

(D) by encouraging Federal agencies, State agencies, political subdivisions of the State, and nonprofit organizations to undertake new interpretive initiatives with respect to the Corridor.

(5) RECOGNITION.—The Commission shall assist in establishing recognition for the Corridor by actively promoting the cultural, historical, natural, and recreational resources of the Corridor on a community, regional, statewide, national, and international basis.

(6) LAND EXCHANGES.—The Commission shall assist in identifying and implementing land exchanges within the State of Colorado by Federal and State agencies that will expand open space and recreational opportunities within the flood plain of the Corridor.

SEC. 09. TERMINATION OF TRAVEL EXPENSES PROVISION.

Effective on the date that is 5 years after the date on which the Secretary approves the Plan, section 04 is amended by striking subsection (e).

SEC. 10. DUTIES OF THE SECRETARY.

(a) ACQUISITION OF LAND.—The Secretary may acquire land and interests in land within the Corridor that have been specifically identified by the Commission for acquisition by the Federal Government and that have been approved for such acquisition by the Governor and the political subdivision of the State where the land is located by donation, purchase with donated or appropriated funds, or exchange. Acquisition authority may only be used if such lands cannot be acquired by donation or exchange. No land or interest in land may be acquired without the consent of the owner.

(b) TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE.—The Secretary shall, upon the request of the Commission, provide technical assistance to the Commission in the preparation and implementation of the Plan pursuant to section 08.

(c) DETAIL.—Each fiscal year during the existence of the Commission, the Secretary shall detail to the Commission, on a non-reimbursable basis, 2 employees of the Department of the Interior to enable the Commission to carry out the Commission's duties under section 07.

SEC. 11. OTHER FEDERAL ENTITIES.

(a) DUTIES.—Subject to section 12, a Federal entity conducting or supporting activities directly affecting the flow of the Cache La Poudre River through the Corridor, or the natural resources of the Corridor shall consult with the Commission with respect to such activities;

(b) AUTHORIZATION.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary or Administrator of a Federal agency may acquire land in the flood plain of the Corridor by exchange for other lands within such agency's jurisdiction within the State of Colorado, based on fair market value, if the lands have been identified by the Commission for acquisition by a Federal agency and the Governor and the political subdivision of the State or the owner where the lands are located concur in the exchange. Land so acquired shall be used to fulfill the purpose for which the Corridor is established.

(2) AUTHORIZATION TO CONVEY PROPERTY.—The first sentence of section 203(k)(3) of the Federal Property and Administrative Services Act of 1949 (40 U.S.C. 484(k)(3)) is amended by striking "historic monument, for the benefit of the public" and inserting "historic monument or any such property within the State of Colorado for the Cache La Poudre Corridor, for the benefit of the public".

SEC. 12. EFFECT ON ENVIRONMENTAL AND OTHER STANDARDS, RESTRICTIONS, AND SAVINGS PROVISIONS.

(a) EFFECT ON ENVIRONMENTAL AND OTHER STANDARDS.—

(1) VOLUNTARY COOPERATION.—In carrying out this title, the Commission and Secretary shall emphasize voluntary cooperation.

(2) RULES, REGULATIONS, STANDARDS, AND PERMIT PROCESSES.—Nothing in this title shall be considered to impose or form the basis for imposition of any environmental, occupational, safety, or other rule, regulation, standard, or permit process that is different from those that would be applicable had the Corridor not been established.

(3) ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY STANDARDS.—Nothing in this title shall be considered to impose the application or administration of any Federal or State environmental quality standard that is different from those that will be applicable had the Corridor not been established.

(4) WATER STANDARDS.—Nothing in this title shall be considered to impose any Federal or State water use designation or water quality standard upon uses of, or discharges to, waters of the State or waters of the United States, within or adjacent to the Corridor, that is more restrictive than those that would be applicable had the Corridor not been established.

(5) PERMITTING OF FACILITIES.—Nothing in the establishment of the Corridor shall abridge, restrict, or alter any applicable rule, regulation, standard, or review procedure for permitting of facilities within or adjacent to the Corridor.

(6) WATER FACILITIES.—Nothing in the establishment of the Corridor shall affect the continuing use and operation, repair, rehabilitation, expansion, or new construction of water supply facilities, water and wastewater treatment facilities, stormwater facilities, public utilities, and common carriers.

(7) WATER AND WATER RIGHTS.—Nothing in the establishment of the Corridor shall be considered to authorize or imply the reservation or appropriation of water or water rights for any purpose.

(b) RESTRICTIONS ON COMMISSION AND SECRETARY.—Nothing in this title shall be construed to vest in the Commission or the Secretary the authority to—

(1) require a Federal agency, State agency, political subdivision of the State, or private person (including an owner of private property) to participate in a project or program carried out by the Commission or the Secretary under the title;

(2) intervene as a party in an administrative or judicial proceeding concerning the application or enforcement of a regulatory authority of a Federal agency, State agency, or political subdivision of the State, including, but not limited to, authority relating to—

(A) land use regulation;

(B) environmental quality;

(C) licensing;

(D) permitting;

(E) easements;

(F) private land development; or

(G) other occupational or access issue;

(3) establish or modify a regulatory authority of a Federal agency, State agency, or political subdivision of the State, including authority relating to—

(A) land use regulation;

(B) environmental quality; or

(C) pipeline or utility crossings;

(4) modify a policy of a Federal agency, State agency, or political subdivision of the State;

(5) attest in any manner the authority and jurisdiction of the State with respect to the

acquisition of lands or water, or interest in lands or water;

(6) vest authority to reserve or appropriate water or water rights in any entity for any purpose;

(7) deny, condition, or restrict the construction, repair, rehabilitation, or expansion of water facilities, including stormwater, water, and wastewater treatment facilities; or

(8) deny, condition, or restrict the exercise of water rights in accordance with the substantive and procedural requirements of the laws of the State.

(c) SAVINGS PROVISION.—Nothing in this title shall diminish, enlarge, or modify a right of a Federal agency, State agency, or political subdivision of the State—

(1) to exercise civil and criminal jurisdiction within the Corridor; or

(2) to tax persons, corporations, franchises, or property, including minerals and other interests in or on lands or waters within the urban portions of the Corridor.

(d) ACCESS TO PRIVATE PROPERTY.—Nothing in this title requires an owner of private property to allow access to the property by the public.

SEC. 13. AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.

(a) IN GENERAL.—There are authorized to be appropriated not to exceed \$50,000 to the Commission to carry out this Act.

(b) MATCHING FUNDS.—Funds may be made available pursuant to this section only to the extent they are matched by equivalent funds or in-kind contributions of services or materials from non-Federal sources.

**THE DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
APPROPRIATIONS ACT, 1997
DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE AND
RELATED AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS
ACT, 1997**

**FAIRCLOTH (AND OTHERS)
AMENDMENT NO. 5347**

(Ordered to lie on the table.)

Mr. FAIRCLOTH (for himself, Mr. SIMON, Ms. MOSELEY-BRAUN, and Mr. ABRAHAM) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by them to the bill (H.R. 3814) making appropriations for the Departments of Commerce, Justice, and State, the judiciary, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1997, and for other purposes; as follows:

At the appropriate place, insert the following new section:

**EXTENSION OF EXPIRED VISAS FOR CERTAIN
NURSES**

SEC. . (a) ALIENS WHO PREVIOUSLY ENTERED THE UNITED STATES PURSUANT TO AN H-1A VISA.—

(1) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the visa of any nonimmigrant described in paragraph (2) is hereby extended through September 30, 1997.

(2) A nonimmigrant described in this paragraph is a nonimmigrant—

(A) who entered the United States as a nonimmigrant described in section 101(a)(15)(H)(i)(a);

(B) who was within the United States on or after September 1, 1995; and

(C) whose visa has expired or will expire before September 30, 1997.

(b) CHANGE OF EMPLOYMENT.—A nonimmigrant whose visa is extended by operation of this section shall be eligible to change employers in accordance with section