

SEC. 6. The purposes of this Act are declared to be supplemental to the purposes for which any of the Federal lands in section 1 of this Act have been designated, acquired, withdrawn, reserved, held, or administered. This Act shall not be construed as a repeal, in whole or in part, of any existing law, including, but not limited to, the mining and mineral leasing laws.

SEC. 7. Nothing herein contained shall be construed as—

(a) Restricting prospecting, locating, developing, mining, entering, leasing, or patenting the mineral resources of the lands to which this Act applies under law applicable thereto pending action inconsistent therewith under this Act.

(b) Restricting the entry and settlement of lands open to entry and settlement under the public land laws pending action inconsistent therewith under this Act.

(c) Restricting the Secretary of the Interior from disposing of lands under applicable statutes after the land has been classified in accordance with this Act.

(d) Affecting the jurisdiction or responsibilities of the several States with respect to the lands referred to herein.

SEC. 8. The authorizations and requirements of this Act shall expire June 30, 1969, except that the segregation prior to June 30, 1969, of any public lands from settlement, location, sale, selection, entry, lease, or other form of disposal under the public land laws shall continue for the period of time allowed by this Act.

Approved September 19, 1964.

Expiration of authority.

Public Law 88-608

AN ACT

To provide temporary authority for the sale of certain public lands.

September 19, 1964  
[H. R. 5498]

Public lands disposal.  
Authority of Interior Secretary.  
Ante, p. 982.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That pending the implementation of recommendations to be made by the Public Land Law Review Commission, in addition to any other authority that he may have, the Secretary of the Interior is authorized and directed to dispose of public lands that have been classified for disposal in accordance with a determination that (a) the lands are required for the orderly growth and development of a community or (b) the lands are chiefly valuable for residential, commercial, agricultural (exclusive of lands chiefly valuable for grazing and raising forage crops), industrial, or public uses or development. Such disposals shall be in tracts not exceeding five thousand one hundred and twenty acres each to qualified governmental agencies at the appraised fair market value thereof as determined by the Secretary of the Interior or to qualified individuals through competitive bidding at not less than the appraised fair market value as determined by the Secretary of the Interior.

SEC. 2. At least ninety days prior to offering lands for sale in accordance with this Act, the Secretary of the Interior shall notify the head of the governing body of the political subdivision of the State having jurisdiction over zoning in the geographic area within which the lands are located or, in the absence of such political subdivision, the Governor of the State, in order to afford the appropriate body with the opportunity of zoning for the use of the land in accordance with local

Notification to local zoning authority.

planning and development. No sale shall be conducted under the authority of this Act until zoning regulations have been enacted by the appropriate local authority.

SEC. 3. At least thirty days before entering into an agreement with a governmental agency or of the opening of bids from individuals, notice of the offering of lands for sale in accordance with this Act shall be furnished by the Secretary of the Interior through a newspaper of general circulation in the area in which the lands are situated and by publication of the notice in the Federal Register.

Land offerings, notice. Publication in Federal Register.

SEC. 4. All patents or other evidences of title issued under this Act shall contain a reservation to the United States of all mineral deposits which shall thereupon be withdrawn from appropriation under the public land laws including the mining and mineral leasing laws. Patents and other evidences of title may contain such reservations and reasonable restrictions as are necessary in the public interest, but no restriction to insure proper development of the lands after they have passed from Federal ownership shall be imposed.

Title reservations.

SEC. 5. For the purposes of this Act the following terms have the following meanings—

Definitions.

(a) "Public lands" means any public lands which are withdrawn by Executive Order Numbered 6910, dated November 26, 1934, as amended, or by Executive Order Numbered 6964, dated February 5, 1935, as amended, or pursuant to section 1 of the Act of June 28, 1934 (48 Stat. 1269), as amended (43 U.S.C. 315), and not otherwise reserved, or which are vacant, unappropriated, and unreserved public lands in Alaska.

(b) "Qualified governmental agency" means any of the following, including their lawful agents and instrumentalities: (A) the State, county, municipality, or other local government subdivision within which the land is located and (B) any municipality within convenient access to the lands if the lands are within the same State as the municipality.

(c) "Qualified individual" means (A) any individual who is a citizen or otherwise a national of the United States (or who has declared his intention to become a citizen) aged twenty-one years or more; (B) any partnership or association, each of the members of which is a qualified individual as defined in subparagraph (A); and (C) any corporation organized under the laws of the United States or of any State thereof, and authorized to hold title to real property in the State in which the land is located.

SEC. 6. Ninety per centum of the proceeds from lands sold in the State of Alaska pursuant to this Act shall be transferred to the State of Alaska in consideration for which the State shall surrender its right to select an equal acreage of land pursuant to section 6(b) of the Alaska Statehood Act (72 Stat. 339).

Land sales in Alaska.

SEC. 7. The authority granted by this Act shall expire June 30, 1969, except that sales concerning which notice has been given in accordance with section 3 hereof prior to June 30, 1969, may be consummated and patents issued in connection therewith after June 30, 1969.

48 USC prec. 21 note. Termination of sale authority.

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