

common needs in the promotion of their products and in the drainage of wet areas through drainage districts.

**(2) Establishment of grazing demonstration**

In accordance with paragraph (3), the Secretary may establish 2 grazing management demonstration districts at the recommendation of the grazing lands conservation initiative steering committee.

**(3) Procedure**

**(A) Proposal**

Within a reasonable time after the submission of a request of an organization of farmers or ranchers engaged in grazing, the Secretary shall propose that a grazing management district be established.

**(B) Funding**

The terms and conditions of the funding and operation of the grazing management district shall be proposed by the producers.

**(C) Approval**

The Secretary shall approve the proposal if the Secretary determines that the proposal—

- (i) is reasonable;
- (ii) will promote sound grazing practices; and
- (iii) contains provisions similar to the provisions contained in the beef promotion and research order issued under section 2903 of title 7 in effect on April 4, 1996.

**(D) Area included**

The area proposed to be included in a grazing management district shall be determined by the Secretary on the basis of a petition by farmers or ranchers.

**(E) Authorization**

The Secretary may use authority under the Agricultural Adjustment Act (7 U.S.C. 601 et seq.), reenacted with amendments by the Agricultural Marketing Agreement Act of 1937, to operate, on a demonstration basis, a grazing management district.

**(F) Activities**

The activities of a grazing management district shall be scientifically sound activities, as determined by the Secretary in consultation with a technical advisory committee composed of ranchers, farmers, and technical experts.

**(f) Authorization of appropriations**

There are authorized to be appropriated to carry out this section—

- (1) \$20,000,000 for fiscal year 1996;
- (2) \$40,000,000 for fiscal year 1997; and
- (3) \$60,000,000 for fiscal year 1998 and each subsequent fiscal year.

(Pub. L. 104-127, title III, § 386, Apr. 4, 1996, 110 Stat. 1017.)

REFERENCES IN TEXT

The Agricultural Adjustment Act, reenacted with amendments by the Agricultural Marketing Agreement Act of 1937, referred to in subsec. (e)(3)(E), is title I of act May 12, 1933, ch. 25, 48 Stat. 31, as amended, which

is classified generally to chapter 26 (§601 et seq.) of Title 7, Agriculture. For complete classification of this Act to the Code, see Short Title note set out under section 601 of Title 7 and Tables.

CODIFICATION

Section was enacted as part of the Federal Agriculture Improvement and Reform Act of 1996, and not as part of the Soil and Water Resources Conservation Act of 1977 which comprises this chapter.

**§ 2006. Reports to Congress**

**(a) Appraisal, program, and detailed statement of policy when Congress convenes**

(1) At the time Congress convenes in 1980, 1987, 1996, and 2006, the President shall transmit to the Speaker of the House of Representatives and the President of the Senate the appraisal developed under section 2004 of this title and completed prior to the end of the previous year.

(2) At the time Congress convenes in 1980, 1988, 1998, and 2008, the President shall transmit to the Speaker of the House of Representatives and the President of the Senate the initial program or updated program developed under section 2005 of this title and completed prior to the end of the previous year, together with a detailed statement of policy regarding soil and water conservation activities of the United States Department of Agriculture.

**(b) Annual report accompanying budget covering program effectiveness**

The Secretary, during budget preparation for fiscal year 1982 and annually thereafter during the period this chapter is in effect, shall prepare and transmit to the Congress, through the President, a report to accompany the budget which evaluates the program's effectiveness in attaining the purposes of this chapter. The report, prepared in concise summary form with appropriate detailed appendices, shall contain pertinent data from the current resource appraisal required to be prepared by section 2004 of this title, shall set forth the progress in implementing the program required to be developed by section 2005 of this title, and shall contain appropriate measurements of pertinent costs and benefits. The evaluation shall assess the balance between economic factors and environmental quality factors. The report shall also indicate plans for implementing action and recommendations for new legislation where warranted.

(Pub. L. 95-192, § 7, Nov. 18, 1977, 91 Stat. 1410; Pub. L. 99-198, title XII, § 1252(c), Dec. 23, 1985, 99 Stat. 1516.)

AMENDMENTS

1985—Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 99-198, § 1252(c)(1), added subsec. (a) and struck out former subsec. (a) which read as follows: "On the first day Congress convenes in 1980 and at each five-year interval thereafter during the period this chapter is in effect the President shall transmit to the Speaker of the House of Representatives and the President of the Senate, the appraisal and the program as required by sections 2004 and 2005 of this title, together with a detailed statement of policy regarding soil and water conservation activities of the United States Department of Agriculture."

Subsecs. (b), (c). Pub. L. 99-198, § 1252(c)(2), (3), struck out subsec. (b) which provided for an annual report of program and policy achievement, and redesignated subsec. (c) as (b).

## SECTION REFERRED TO IN OTHER SECTIONS

This section is referred to in section 2003 of this title.

**§ 2007. Authorization of appropriations**

There are authorized to be appropriated such funds as may be necessary to carry out the purposes of this chapter.

(Pub. L. 95–192, § 8, Nov. 18, 1977, 91 Stat. 1411.)

**§ 2008. Utilization of available information and data**

In the implementation of this chapter, the Secretary shall utilize information and data available from other Federal, State, and local governments, and private organizations and he shall coordinate his actions with the resource appraisal and planning efforts of other Federal agencies and avoid unnecessary duplication and overlap of planning and program efforts.

(Pub. L. 95–192, § 9, Nov. 18, 1977, 91 Stat. 1411.)

## TRANSFER OF FUNCTIONS

For transfer of certain enforcement functions of Secretary or other official in Department of Agriculture under this chapter to Federal Inspector, Office of Federal Inspector for the Alaska Natural Gas Transportation System, and subsequent transfer to Secretary of Energy, see note set out under section 2002 of this title.

**§ 2009. Termination of program**

The provisions of this chapter shall terminate on December 31, 2008.

(Pub. L. 95–192, § 10, Nov. 18, 1977, 91 Stat. 1411; Pub. L. 99–198, title XII, § 1252(d), Dec. 23, 1985, 99 Stat. 1517.)

## AMENDMENTS

1985—Pub. L. 99–198 substituted “2008” for “1985”.

**CHAPTER 41—COOPERATIVE FORESTRY ASSISTANCE**

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