

ities and the coordination of responsibilities for the implementation of this chapter by the various Federal and State forest management agencies that take into consideration the mandates of each such agency;

(C) make recommendations to the State forester or equivalent State official concerning the development of a Forest Stewardship Plan under paragraph (3); and

(D) make recommendations to the Secretary concerning those forest lands that should be given priority for inclusion in the Forest Legacy Program established pursuant to section 2103c of this title.

**(3) Forest Stewardship Plan**

The State forester or equivalent State official of each State, in consultation with the State Coordinating Committee of such State, shall develop a Forest Stewardship Plan that shall—

(A) provide baseline data on the forest resources of the State;

(B) outline threats to the forest resources of the State;

(C) describe economic and environmental opportunities that are linked with the forest resources of the State;

(D) address management problems, opportunities, and objectives associated with intermingled Federal, State, and private land ownership patterns within the State; and

(E) make planning recommendations for Federal, State, and local implementation of this chapter.

**(4) Other plans**

Other State forest management plans may be used as the basis for or in lieu of establishing a plan for the State under paragraph (3) if such plans fully conform to the objectives of this section.

**(5) Termination**

The State Coordinating Committees shall not terminate.

**(6) Rule of construction**

Nothing in this section shall be construed to compel action by any State official.

(Pub. L. 95-313, §19, as added Pub. L. 101-624, title XII, §1222, Nov. 28, 1990, 104 Stat. 3540.)

SECTION REFERRED TO IN OTHER SECTIONS

This section is referred to in sections 2103, 2103c of this title.

**§ 2114. Administration**

**(a) In general**

The Secretary shall administer this chapter in accordance with regulations that the Secretary shall develop.

**(b) Guidelines**

The regulations promulgated under this chapter shall include guidelines for the administration of this chapter at the Federal and State levels and shall identify the measures and activities that are eligible for cost sharing under this chapter.

**(c) Existing mechanisms**

Existing mechanisms shall be used to the extent possible to make payments and deliver services to the landowner under this chapter.

**(d) Land grant universities**

The Secretary, in consultation with State foresters or equivalent State officials, may provide assistance directly to other State and local natural resource management agencies and land grant universities in implementing this chapter in cases in which the State foresters or equivalent State officials are not able to make fund transfers to other State and local agencies.

(Pub. L. 95-313, §20, as added Pub. L. 101-624, title XII, §1223, Nov. 28, 1990, 104 Stat. 3542.)

**CHAPTER 42—EMERGENCY CONSERVATION PROGRAM**

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This chapter is referred to in title 26 section 126.

**§ 2201. Payments to agricultural producers for carrying out wind erosion control or rehabilitation measures; criteria**

The Secretary of Agriculture is authorized to make payments to agricultural producers who carry out emergency measures to control wind erosion on farmlands or to rehabilitate farmlands damaged by wind erosion, floods, hurricanes, or other natural disasters when, as a result of the foregoing, new conservation problems have been created that (1) if not treated, will impair or endanger the land, (2) materially affect the productive capacity of the land, (3) represent damage that is unusual in character and, except for wind erosion, is not the type that would recur frequently in the same area, and (4) will be so costly to rehabilitate that Federal assistance is or will be required to return the land to productive agricultural use.

(Pub. L. 95-334, title IV, §401, Aug. 4, 1978, 92 Stat. 433.)

EFFECTIVE DATE

Section 406 of title IV of Pub. L. 95-334 provided that: "The provisions of this title [enacting this chapter] shall become effective October 1, 1978."

SECTION REFERRED TO IN OTHER SECTIONS

This section is referred to in sections 3811, 3821 of this title.

**§ 2202. Payments to agricultural producers for carrying out water conservation or water enhancing measures; criteria**

The Secretary of Agriculture is authorized to make payments to agricultural producers who