

Stat. 213, as amended, which is classified principally to part C (§4601-12 et seq.) of subchapter LXIX of chapter 1 of Title 16, Conservation. For complete classification of this Act to the Code, see Short Title note set out under section 4601-12 of Title 16 and Tables.

AMENDMENTS

2004—Subsec. (c). Pub. L. 108-439, §1(a), inserted “Reimbursement of certain modification costs” as heading and substituted “With respect to the additional amounts authorized to be appropriated by section 509 of this title” for “With respect to the additional \$650,000,000 authorized to be appropriated in The Reclamation Safety of Dams Act Amendments of 1984, and the additional \$95,000,000 further authorized to be appropriated by amendments to that Act in 2000, and the additional \$32,000,000 further authorized to be appropriated by amendments to the Act in 2001” in introductory provisions.

Subsec. (e). Pub. L. 108-439, §2(a), added subsec. (e).

2002—Subsec. (c). Pub. L. 107-117 inserted “and the additional \$32,000,000 further authorized to be appropriated by amendments to the Act in 2001,” after “2000,” in introductory provisions.

2000—Subsec. (c). Pub. L. 106-377 inserted “and the additional \$95,000,000 further authorized to be appropriated by amendments to that Act in 2000,” after “1984,” in introductory provisions.

1984—Subsec. (b). Pub. L. 98-404, §1(1), substituted “With respect to the \$100,000,000 authorized to be appropriated in the Reclamation Safety of Dams Act of 1978, costs” for “Costs”.

Subsecs. (c), (d). Pub. L. 98-404, §1(2), added subsecs. (c) and (d).

§ 509. Authorization of appropriations; report to Congress

There are hereby authorized to be appropriated for fiscal year 1979 and ensuing fiscal years such sums as may be necessary and, effective October 1, 1983, not to exceed an additional \$650,000,000 (October 1, 1983, price levels), and, effective October 1, 2000, not to exceed an additional \$95,000,000 (October 1, 2000, price levels), and, effective October 1, 2001, not to exceed an additional \$32,000,000 (October 1, 2001, price levels), and, effective October 1, 2003, not to exceed an additional \$540,000,000 (October 1, 2003, price levels), plus or minus such amounts, if any, as may be justified by reason of ordinary fluctuations in construction costs as indicated by engineering cost indexes applicable to the types of construction involved herein, to carry out the provisions of this subchapter to remain available until expended if so provided by the appropriations Act: *Provided*, That no funds exceeding \$1,250,000 (October 1, 2003, price levels), as adjusted to reflect any ordinary fluctuations in construction costs indicated by applicable engineering cost indexes, shall be obligated for carrying out actual construction to modify an existing dam under authority of this subchapter prior to 30 calendar days from the date that the Secretary has transmitted a report on such existing dam to the Congress. The report required to be submitted by this section will consist of a finding by the Secretary of the Interior to the effect that modifications are required to be made to insure the safety of an existing dam. Such finding shall be accompanied by a technical report containing information on the need for structural modification, the corrective action deemed to be required, alternative solutions to structural modification that were con-

sidered, the estimated cost of needed modifications, and environmental impacts if any resulting from the implementation of the recommended plan of modification.

(Pub. L. 95-578, §5, Nov. 2, 1978, 92 Stat. 2471; Pub. L. 98-404, §1(3), Aug. 28, 1984, 98 Stat. 1482; Pub. L. 106-377, §1(a)(2) [title II], Oct. 27, 2000, 114 Stat. 1441, 1441A-67; Pub. L. 107-117, div. B, §503(2), Jan. 10, 2002, 115 Stat. 2308; Pub. L. 108-439, §1(b), Dec. 3, 2004, 118 Stat. 2627.)

AMENDMENTS

2004—Pub. L. 108-439 inserted “and, effective October 1, 2003, not to exceed an additional \$540,000,000 (October 1, 2003, price levels),” after “(October 1, 2001, price levels),” and substituted “\$1,250,000 (October 1, 2003, price levels), as adjusted to reflect any ordinary fluctuations in construction costs indicated by applicable engineering cost indexes,” for “\$750,000”.

2002—Pub. L. 107-117 inserted “and, effective October 1, 2001, not to exceed an additional \$32,000,000 (October 1, 2001, price levels),” after “(October 1, 2000, price levels),”.

2000—Pub. L. 106-377 inserted “and, effective October 1, 2000, not to exceed an additional \$95,000,000 (October 1, 2000, price levels),” after “(October 1, 1983, price levels),” and substituted “30 calendar days” for “sixty days (which sixty days shall not include days on which either the House of Representatives or the Senate is not in session because of an adjournment of more than three calendar days to a day certain)”.

1984—Pub. L. 98-404 substituted “and, effective October 1, 1983, not to exceed an additional \$650,000,000 (October 1, 1983, price levels), plus or minus such amounts, if any, as may be justified by reason of ordinary fluctuations in construction costs as indicated by engineering cost indexes applicable to the types of construction involved herein, to carry out the provisions of this subchapter to remain available until expended if so provided by the appropriations Act: *Provided*, That no funds exceeding \$750,000” for “, but not to exceed \$100,000,000, to carry out the provisions of this subchapter of this title to remain available until expended if so provided by the appropriations Act: *Provided*, That no funds”.

§ 509a. Project beneficiaries

(a) Notice of modification

On identifying a Bureau of Reclamation facility for modification, the Secretary shall provide to the project beneficiaries written notice—

(1) describing the need for the modification and the process for identifying and implementing the modification; and

(2) summarizing the administrative and legal requirements relating to the modification.

(b) Consultation

The Secretary shall—

(1) provide project beneficiaries an opportunity to consult with the Bureau of Reclamation on the planning, design, and construction of the proposed modification; and

(2) in consultation with project beneficiaries, develop and provide timeframes for the consultation described in paragraph (1).

(c) Alternatives

(1) Prior to submitting the reports required under section 509 of this title, the Secretary shall consider any alternative submitted in writing, in accordance with the timeframes established under subsection (b) of this section, by

a project beneficiary that has elected to consult with the Bureau of Reclamation on a modification.

(2) The Secretary shall provide to the project beneficiary a timely written response describing proposed actions, if any, to address the recommendation.

(3) The response of the Secretary shall be included in the reports required by section 509 of this title.

(d) Waiver

The Secretary may waive 1 or more of the requirements of subsections (a), (b), and (c) of this section, if the Secretary determines that implementation of the requirement could have an adverse impact on dam safety or security.

(Pub. L. 95-578, §5A, as added Pub. L. 108-439, §2(b), Dec. 3, 2004, 118 Stat. 2627.)

SUBCHAPTER XII—CONTRACTS WITH STATE IRRIGATION DISTRICTS FOR PAYMENT OF CHARGES

§ 511. Authority to contract with irrigation district

In carrying out the purposes of the Act of June 17, 1902 (32 Stat. 388), and Acts amendatory thereof and supplementary thereto and known as the reclamation law, the Secretary of the Interior may enter into contract with any legally organized irrigation district whereby such irrigation district shall agree to pay the moneys required to be paid to the United States, and in such event water-right applications on the part of landowners and entrymen, in the discretion of the Secretary of the Interior, may be dispensed with. In the event of such contract being made with an irrigation district, the Secretary of the Interior, in his discretion, may contract that the payments, both for the construction of irrigation works and for operation and maintenance, on the part of the district shall be made upon such dates as will best conform to the district and taxation laws of the respective States under which such irrigation districts shall be formed, and if he deem it advisable he may contract for such penalties or interest charges in case of delinquency in payments as he may deem proper and consistent with such State laws, notwithstanding the provisions of sections 471, 472, 475, 478 to 481, 492, 493, 494 to 497 and 499 of this title. The Secretary of the Interior may accept a partial payment of the amount due from any district to the United States, providing such acceptance shall not constitute a waiver of the balance remaining due nor the interest or penalties, if any, accruing upon said balance: *Provided*, That no contract with an irrigation district under this section and sections 512 and 513 of this title shall be binding on the United States until the proceedings on the part of the district for the authorization of the execution of the contract with the United States shall have been confirmed by decree of a court of competent jurisdiction, or pending appellate action if ground for appeal be laid.

(May 15, 1922, ch. 190, § 1, 42 Stat. 541.)

REFERENCES IN TEXT

Act of June 17, 1902, referred to in text, is popularly known as the Reclamation Act, which is classified gen-

erally to this chapter. For complete classification of this Act to the Code, see Short Title note set out under section 371 of this title and Tables.

§ 512. Release of Government liens after contract with irrigation districts

Patents and water-right certificates which shall be issued after May 15, 1922, under the terms of subchapter XIV of this chapter, for lands lying within any irrigation district with which the United States shall have contracted, by which the irrigation district agrees to make the payment of all charges for the building of irrigation works and for operation and maintenance, shall not reserve to the United States a lien for the payment of such charges; and where such a lien shall have been reserved in any patent or water-right certificate issued under said subchapter, the Secretary of the Interior is empowered to release such lien in such manner and form as may be deemed effective; and the Secretary of the Interior is further empowered to release liens in favor of the United States contained in water-right applications and to assent to the release of liens to secure reimbursement of moneys due to the United States pursuant to water-right applications running in favor of the water users' association and contained in stock subscription contracts to such associations, when the lands covered by such liens shall be subject to assessment and levy for the collection of all moneys due and to become due to the United States by irrigation districts formed pursuant to State law and with which the United States shall have entered into contract therefor: *Provided*, That no such lien so reserved to the United States in any patent or water-right certificate shall be released until the owner of the land covered by the lien shall consent in writing to the assessment, levy, and collection by such irrigation district of taxes against said land for the payment to the United States of the contract obligation: *Provided further*, That before any lien is released under this section the Secretary of the Interior shall file a written report finding that the contracting irrigation district is legally organized under the laws of the State in which its lands are located, with full power to enter into the contract and to collect by assessment and levy against the lands of the district the amount of the contract obligation.

(May 15, 1922, ch. 190, § 2, 42 Stat. 542.)

REFERENCES IN TEXT

Subchapter XIV (§ 541 et seq.) of this chapter, referred to in text, was in the original a reference to act Aug. 9, 1912, 37 Stat. 265.

§ 513. Lands in project subject to provisions of chapter; after contract with irrigation district

Upon the execution of any contract between the United States and any irrigation district pursuant to sections 511 and 512 of this title the public lands included within such irrigation district, when subject to entry, and entered lands within such irrigation district, for which no final certificates shall have been issued and which may be designated by the Secretary of the Interior in said contract, shall be subject to all the provisions of chapter 13 of this title: *Pro-*