

subchapter. Part D of this subchapter does not relate to the Steens Mountain Advisory Council.

#### SHORT TITLE

Pub. L. 106-399, §1(a), Oct. 30, 2000, 114 Stat. 1655, provided that: “This Act [enacting this subchapter and provisions listed in a table of Wilderness Areas set out under section 1132 of this title and amending section 1274 of this title] may be cited as the ‘Steens Mountain Cooperative Management and Protection Act of 2000.’”

#### PURPOSES

Pub. L. 106-399, §1(b), Oct. 30, 2000, 114 Stat. 1655, provided that: “The purposes of this Act [see Short Title note above] are the following:

“(1) To maintain the cultural, economic, ecological, and social health of the Steens Mountain area in Harney County, Oregon.

“(2) To designate the Steens Mountain Wilderness Area.

“(3) To designate the Steens Mountain Cooperative Management and Protection Area.

“(4) To provide for the acquisition of private lands through exchange for inclusion in the Wilderness Area and the Cooperative Management and Protection Area.

“(5) To provide for and expand cooperative management activities between public and private landowners in the vicinity of the Wilderness Area and surrounding lands.

“(6) To authorize the purchase of land and development and nondevelopment rights.

“(7) To designate additional components of the National Wild and Scenic Rivers System.

“(8) To establish a reserve for redband trout and a wildlands juniper management area.

“(9) To establish a citizens’ management advisory council for the Cooperative Management and Protection Area.

“(10) To maintain and enhance cooperative and innovative management practices between the public and private land managers in the Cooperative Management and Protection Area.

“(11) To promote viable and sustainable grazing and recreation operations on private and public lands.

“(12) To conserve, protect, and manage for healthy watersheds and the long-term ecological integrity of Steens Mountain.

“(13) To authorize only such uses on Federal lands in the Cooperative Management and Protection Area that are consistent with the purposes of this Act.”

### § 460nnn-1. Maps and legal descriptions

#### (a) Preparation and submission

As soon as practicable after October 30, 2000, the Secretary shall prepare and submit to Congress maps and legal descriptions of the following:

(1) The Cooperative Management and Protection Area.

(2) The Wilderness Area.

(3) The wild and scenic river segments and redband trout reserve designated by part C of this subchapter.

(4) The mineral withdrawal area designated by part D of this subchapter.

(5) The wildlands juniper management area established by part E of this subchapter.

(6) The land exchanges required by part F of this subchapter.

#### (b) Legal effect and correction

The maps and legal descriptions referred to in subsection (a) of this section shall have the same force and effect as if included in this subchapter, except the Secretary may correct clerical

and typographical errors in such maps and legal descriptions.

#### (c) Public availability

Copies of the maps and legal descriptions referred to in subsection (a) of this section shall be on file and available for public inspection in the Office of the Director of the Bureau of Land Management and in the appropriate office of the Bureau of Land Management in the State of Oregon.

(Pub. L. 106-399, §3, Oct. 30, 2000, 114 Stat. 1657.)

### § 460nnn-2. Valid existing rights

Nothing in this subchapter shall effect<sup>1</sup> any valid existing right.

(Pub. L. 106-399, §4, Oct. 30, 2000, 114 Stat. 1658.)

### § 460nnn-3. Protection of tribal rights

Nothing in this subchapter shall be construed to diminish the rights of any Indian tribe. Nothing in this subchapter shall be construed to diminish tribal rights, including those of the Burns Paiute Tribe, regarding access to Federal lands for tribal activities, including spiritual, cultural, and traditional food gathering activities.

(Pub. L. 106-399, §5, Oct. 30, 2000, 114 Stat. 1658.)

#### PART A—STEENS MOUNTAIN COOPERATIVE MANAGEMENT AND PROTECTION AREA

##### SUBPART 1—DESIGNATION AND PURPOSES

### § 460nnn-11. Designation of Steens Mountain Cooperative Management and Protection Area

#### (a) Designation

The Secretary shall designate the Steens Mountain Cooperative Management and Protection Area consisting of approximately 425,550 acres of Federal land located in Harney County, Oregon, in the vicinity of Steens Mountain, as generally depicted on the map entitled “Steens Mountain Boundary Map” and dated September 18, 2000.

#### (b) Contents of map

In addition to the general boundaries of the Cooperative Management and Protection Area, the map referred to in subsection (a) of this section also depicts the general boundaries of the following:

(1) The no livestock grazing area described in section 460nnn-23(e) of this title.

(2) The mineral withdrawal area designated by part D of this subchapter.

(3) The wildlands juniper management area established by part E of this subchapter.

(Pub. L. 106-399, title I, §101, Oct. 30, 2000, 114 Stat. 1658.)

### § 460nnn-12. Purpose and objectives of Cooperative Management and Protection Area

#### (a) Purpose

The purpose of the Cooperative Management and Protection Area is to conserve, protect, and

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manage the long-term ecological integrity of Steens Mountain for future and present generations.

**(b) Objectives**

To further the purpose specified in subsection (a) of this section, and consistent with such purpose, the Secretary shall manage the Cooperative Management and Protection Area for the benefit of present and future generations—

(1) to maintain and enhance cooperative and innovative management projects, programs and agreements between tribal, public, and private interests in the Cooperative Management and Protection Area;

(2) to promote grazing, recreation, historic, and other uses that are sustainable;

(3) to conserve, protect and to ensure traditional access to cultural, gathering, religious, and archaeological sites by the Burns Paiute Tribe on Federal lands and to promote cooperation with private landowners;

(4) to ensure the conservation, protection, and improved management of the ecological, social, and economic environment of the Cooperative Management and Protection Area, including geological, biological, wildlife, riparian, and scenic resources; and

(5) to promote and foster cooperation, communication, and understanding and to reduce conflict between Steens Mountain users and interests.

(Pub. L. 106-399, title I, §102, Oct. 30, 2000, 114 Stat. 1658.)

SUBPART 2—MANAGEMENT OF FEDERAL LANDS

**§ 460nnn-21. Management authorities and purposes**

**(a) In general**

The Secretary shall manage all Federal lands included in the Cooperative Management and Protection Area pursuant to the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976 (43 U.S.C. 1701 et seq.) and other applicable provisions of law, including this subchapter, in a manner that—

(1) ensures the conservation, protection, and improved management of the ecological, social and economic environment of the Cooperative Management and Protection Area, including geological, biological, wildlife, riparian, and scenic resources, North American Indian tribal and cultural and archaeological resource sites, and additional cultural and historic sites; and

(2) recognizes and allows current and historic recreational use.

**(b) Management plan**

Within 4 years after October 30, 2000, the Secretary shall develop a comprehensive plan for the long-range protection and management of the Federal lands included in the Cooperative Management and Protection Area, including the Wilderness Area. The plan shall—

(1) describe the appropriate uses and management of the Cooperative Management and Protection Area consistent with this subchapter;

(2) incorporate, as appropriate, decisions contained in any current or future manage-

ment or activity plan for the Cooperative Management and Protection Area and use information developed in previous studies of the lands within or adjacent to the Cooperative Management and Protection Area;

(3) provide for coordination with State, county, and private local landowners and the Burns Paiute Tribe; and

(4) determine measurable and achievable management objectives, consistent with the management objectives in section 460nnn-12 of this title, to ensure the ecological integrity of the area.

**(c) Monitoring**

The Secretary shall implement a monitoring program for Federal lands in the Cooperative Management and Protection Area so that progress towards ecological integrity objectives can be determined.

(Pub. L. 106-399, title I, §111, Oct. 30, 2000, 114 Stat. 1659.)

REFERENCES IN TEXT

The Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976, referred to in subsec. (a), is Pub. L. 94-579, Oct. 21, 1976, 90 Stat. 2743, as amended, which is classified principally to chapter 35 (§1701 et seq.) of Title 43, Public Lands. For complete classification of this Act to the Code, see Short Title note set out under section 1701 of Title 43 and Tables.

This subchapter, referred to in subsecs. (a) and (b)(1), was in the original “this Act”, meaning Pub. L. 106-399, Oct. 30, 2000, 114 Stat. 1655, which is classified generally to this subchapter. For complete classification of this Act to the Code, see Short Title note set out under section 460nnn of this title and Tables.

**§ 460nnn-22. Roads and travel access**

**(a) Transportation plan**

The management plan shall include, as an integral part, a comprehensive transportation plan for the Federal lands included in the Cooperative Management and Protection Area, which shall address the maintenance, improvement, and closure of roads and trails as well as travel access.

**(b) Prohibition on off-road motorized travel**

**(1) Prohibition**

The use of motorized or mechanized vehicles on Federal lands included in the Cooperative Management and Protection Area—

(A) is prohibited off road; and

(B) is limited to such roads and trails as may be designated for their use as part of the management plan.

**(2) Exceptions**

Paragraph (1) does not prohibit the use of motorized or mechanized vehicles on Federal lands included in the Cooperative Management and Protection Area if the Secretary determines that such use—

(A) is needed for administrative purposes or to respond to an emergency; or

(B) is appropriate for the construction or maintenance of agricultural facilities, fish and wildlife management, or ecological restoration projects, except in areas designated as wilderness or managed under the provisions of section 1782(c) of title 43.

**(c) Road closures**

Any determination to permanently close an existing road in the Cooperative Management and Protection Area or to restrict the access of motorized or mechanized vehicles on certain roads shall be made in consultation with the advisory council and the public.

**(d) Prohibition on new construction****(1) Prohibition, exception**

No new road or trail for motorized or mechanized vehicles may be constructed on Federal lands in the Cooperative Management and Protection Area unless the Secretary determines that the road or trail is necessary for public safety or protection of the environment. Any determination under this subsection shall be made in consultation with the advisory council and the public.

**(2) Trails**

Nothing in this subsection is intended to limit the authority of the Secretary to construct or maintain trails for nonmotorized or nonmechanized use.

**(e) Access to nonfederally owned lands****(1) Reasonable access**

The Secretary shall provide reasonable access to nonfederally owned lands or interests in land within the boundaries of the Cooperative Management and Protection Area and the Wilderness Area to provide the owner of the land or interest the reasonable use thereof.

**(2) Effect on existing rights-of-way**

Nothing in this subchapter shall have the effect of terminating any valid existing right-of-way on Federal lands included in the Cooperative Management and Protection Area.

(Pub. L. 106-399, title I, §112, Oct. 30, 2000, 114 Stat. 1660.)

**§ 460nnn-23. Land use authorities****(a) In general**

The Secretary shall allow only such uses of the Federal lands included in the Cooperative Management and Protection Area as the Secretary finds will further the purposes for which the Cooperative Management and Protection Area is established.

**(b) Commercial timber****(1) Prohibition**

The Federal lands included in the Cooperative Management and Protection Area shall not be made available for commercial timber harvest.

**(2) Limited exception**

The Secretary may authorize the removal of trees from Federal lands in the Cooperative Management and Protection Area only if the Secretary determines that the removal is clearly needed for purposes of ecological restoration and maintenance or for public safety. Except in the Wilderness Area and the wilderness study areas referred to in section 460nnn-64(a) of this title, the Secretary may authorize the sale of products resulting from the authorized removal of trees under this paragraph.

**(c) Juniper management**

The Secretary shall emphasize the restoration of the historic fire regime in the Cooperative Management and Protection Area and the resulting native vegetation communities through active management of Western Juniper on a landscape level. Management measures shall include the use of natural and prescribed burning.

**(d) Hunting, fishing, and trapping****(1) Authorization**

The Secretary shall permit hunting, fishing, and trapping on Federal lands included in the Cooperative Management and Protection Area in accordance with applicable laws and regulations of the United States and the State of Oregon.

**(2) Area and time limitations**

After consultation with the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife, the Secretary may designate zones where, and establish periods when, hunting, trapping or fishing is prohibited on Federal lands included in the Cooperative Management and Protection Area for reasons of public safety, administration, or public use and enjoyment.

**(e) Grazing****(1) Continuation of existing law**

Except as otherwise provided in this section and part F of this subchapter, the laws, regulations, and executive orders otherwise applicable to the Bureau of Land Management in issuing and administering grazing leases and permits on lands under its jurisdiction shall apply in regard to the Federal lands included in the Cooperative Management and Protection Area.

**(2) Cancellation of certain permits**

The Secretary shall cancel that portion of the permitted grazing on Federal lands in the Fish Creek/Big Indian, East Ridge, and South Steens allotments located within the area designated as the "no livestock grazing area" on the map referred to in section 460nnn-11(a) of this title. Upon cancellation, future grazing use in that designated area is prohibited. The Secretary shall be responsible for installing and maintaining any fencing required for resource protection within the designated no livestock grazing area.

**(3) Forage replacement**

Reallocation of available forage shall be made as follows:

(A) O'Keefe pasture within the Miners Field allotment to Stafford Ranches.

(B) Fields Seeding and Bone Creek Pasture east of the county road within the Miners Field allotment to Amy Ready.

(C) Miners Field Pasture, Schouver Seeding and Bone Creek Pasture west of the county road within the Miners Field allotment to Roaring Springs Ranch.

(D) 800 animal unit months within the Crows Nest allotment to Lowther (Clemens) Ranch.

**(4) Fencing and water systems**

The Secretary shall also construct fencing and develop water systems as necessary to

allow reasonable and efficient livestock use of the forage resources referred to in paragraph (3).

**(f) Prohibition on construction of facilities**

No new facilities may be constructed on Federal lands included in the Cooperative Management and Protection Area unless the Secretary determines that the structure—

- (1) will be minimal in nature;
- (2) is consistent with the purposes of this subchapter; and
- (3) is necessary—
  - (A) for enhancing botanical, fish, wildlife, or watershed conditions;
  - (B) for public information, health, or safety;
  - (C) for the management of livestock; or
  - (D) for the management of recreation, but not for the promotion of recreation.

**(g) Withdrawal**

Subject to valid existing rights, the Federal lands and interests in lands included in the Cooperative Management and Protection Areas are hereby withdrawn from all forms of entry, appropriation, or disposal under the public land laws, except in the case of land exchanges if the Secretary determines that the exchange furthers the purpose and objectives specified in section 460nnn-12 of this title and so certifies to Congress.

(Pub. L. 106-399, title I, §113, Oct. 30, 2000, 114 Stat. 1661.)

**§ 460nnn-24. Land acquisition authority**

**(a) Acquisition**

**(1) Acquisition authorized**

In addition to the land acquisitions authorized by part F of this subchapter, the Secretary may acquire other non-Federal lands and interests in lands located within the boundaries of the Cooperative Management and Protection Area or the Wilderness Area.

**(2) Acquisition methods**

Lands may be acquired under this subsection only by voluntary exchange, donation, or purchase from willing sellers.

**(b) Treatment of acquired lands**

**(1) In general**

Subject to paragraphs (2) and (3), lands or interests in lands acquired under subsection (a) of this section or part F of this subchapter that are located within the boundaries of the Cooperative Management and Protection Area shall—

- (A) become part of the Cooperative Management and Protection Area; and
- (B) be managed pursuant to the laws applicable to the Cooperative Management and Protection Area.

**(2) Lands within Wilderness Area**

If lands or interests in lands acquired under subsection (a) of this section or part F of this subchapter are within the boundaries of the Wilderness Area, the acquired lands or interests in lands shall—

- (A) become part of the Wilderness Area; and

(B) be managed pursuant to part B of this subchapter and the other laws applicable to the Wilderness Area.

**(3) Lands within wilderness study area**

If the lands or interests in lands acquired under subsection (a) of this section or part F of this subchapter are within the boundaries of a wilderness study area, the acquired lands or interests in lands shall—

- (A) become part of that wilderness study area; and
- (B) be managed pursuant to the laws applicable to that wilderness study area.

**(c) Appraisal**

In appraising non-Federal land, development rights, or conservation easements for possible acquisition under this section or section 460nnn-42 of this title, the Secretary shall disregard any adverse impacts on values resulting from the designation of the Cooperative Management and Protection Area or the Wilderness Area.

(Pub. L. 106-399, title I, §114, Oct. 30, 2000, 114 Stat. 1662.)

**§ 460nnn-25. Special use permits**

The Secretary may renew a special recreational use permit applicable to lands included in the Wilderness Area to the extent that the Secretary determines that the permit is consistent with the Wilderness Act (16 U.S.C. 1131 et seq.). If renewal is not consistent with the Wilderness Act, the Secretary shall seek other opportunities for the permit holder through modification of the permit to realize historic permit use to the extent that the use is consistent with the Wilderness Act and this subchapter, as determined by the Secretary.

(Pub. L. 106-399, title I, §115, Oct. 30, 2000, 114 Stat. 1663.)

REFERENCES IN TEXT

The Wilderness Act, referred to in text, is Pub. L. 88-577, Sept. 3, 1964, 78 Stat. 890, as amended, which is classified generally to chapter 23 (§1131 et seq.) of this title. For complete classification of this Act to the Code, see Short Title note set out under section 1131 of this title and Tables.

SUBPART 3—COOPERATIVE MANAGEMENT

**§ 460nnn-41. Cooperative management agreements**

**(a) Cooperative efforts**

To further the purposes and objectives for which the Cooperative Management and Protection Area is designated, the Secretary may work with non-Federal landowners and other parties who voluntarily agree to participate in the cooperative management of Federal and non-Federal lands in the Cooperative Management and Protection Area.

**(b) Agreements authorized**

The Secretary may enter into a cooperative management agreement with any party to provide for the cooperative conservation and management of the Federal and non-Federal lands subject to the agreement.

**(c) Other participants**

With the consent of the landowners involved, the Secretary may permit permittees, special-use permit holders, other Federal and State agencies, and interested members of the public to participate in a cooperative management agreement as appropriate to achieve the resource or land use management objectives of the agreement.

**(d) Tribal cultural site protection**

The Secretary may enter into agreements with the Burns Paiute Tribe to protect cultural sites in the Cooperative Management and Protection Area of importance to the tribe.

(Pub. L. 106-399, title I, §121, Oct. 30, 2000, 114 Stat. 1663.)

**§ 460nnn-42. Cooperative efforts to control development and encourage conservation****(a) Policy**

Development on public and private lands within the boundaries of the Cooperative Management and Protection Area which is different from the current character and uses of the lands is inconsistent with the purposes of this subchapter.

**(b) Use of nondevelopment and conservation easements**

The Secretary may enter into a nondevelopment easement or conservation easement with willing landowners to further the purposes of this subchapter.

**(c) Conservation incentive payments**

The Secretary may provide technical assistance, cost-share payments, incentive payments, and education to a private landowner in the Cooperative Management and Protection Area who enters into a contract with the Secretary to protect or enhance ecological resources on the private land covered by the contract if those protections or enhancements benefit public lands.

**(d) Relation to property rights and State and local law**

Nothing in this subchapter is intended to affect rights or interests in real property or supersede State law.

(Pub. L. 106-399, title I, §122, Oct. 30, 2000, 114 Stat. 1664.)

## SUBPART 4—ADVISORY COUNCIL

**§ 460nnn-51. Establishment of advisory council****(a) Establishment**

The Secretary shall establish the Steens Mountain Advisory Council to advise the Secretary in managing the Cooperative Management and Protection Area and in promoting the cooperative management under subpart 3 of this part.

**(b) Members**

The advisory council shall consist of 12 voting members, to be appointed by the Secretary, as follows:

(1) A private landowner in the Cooperative Management and Protection Area, appointed

from nominees submitted by the county court for Harney County, Oregon.

(2) Two persons who are grazing permittees on Federal lands in the Cooperative Management and Protection Area, appointed from nominees submitted by the county court for Harney County, Oregon.

(3) A person interested in fish and recreational fishing in the Cooperative Management and Protection Area, appointed from nominees submitted by the Governor of Oregon.

(4) A member of the Burns Paiute Tribe, appointed from nominees submitted by the Burns Paiute Tribe.

(5) Two persons who are recognized environmental representatives, one of whom shall represent the State as a whole, and one of whom is from the local area, appointed from nominees submitted by the Governor of Oregon.

(6) A person who participates in what is commonly called dispersed recreation, such as hiking, camping, nature viewing, nature photography, bird watching, horse back riding, or trail walking, appointed from nominees submitted by the Oregon State Director of the Bureau of Land Management.

(7) A person who is a recreational permit holder or is a representative of a commercial recreation operation in the Cooperative Management and Protection Area, appointed from nominees submitted jointly by the Oregon State Director of the Bureau of Land Management and the county court for Harney County, Oregon.

(8) A person who participates in what is commonly called mechanized or consumptive recreation, such as hunting, fishing, off-road driving, hang gliding, or parasailing, appointed from nominees submitted by the Oregon State Director of the Bureau of Land Management.

(9) A person with expertise and interest in wild horse management on Steens Mountain, appointed from nominees submitted by the Oregon State Director of the Bureau of Land Management.

(10) A person who has no financial interest in the Cooperative Management and Protection Area to represent statewide interests, appointed from nominees submitted by the Governor of Oregon.

**(c) Consultation**

In reviewing nominees submitted under subsection (b) of this section for possible appointment to the advisory council, the Secretary shall consult with the respective community of interest that the nominees are to represent to ensure that the nominees have the support of their community of interest.

**(d)<sup>1</sup> Terms****(1) Staggered terms**

Members of the advisory council shall be appointed for terms of 3 years, except that, of the members first appointed, four members shall be appointed for a term of 1 year and four members shall be appointed for a term of 2 years.

<sup>1</sup> So in original. Two subsecs. (d) have been enacted.

**(2) Reappointment**

A member may be reappointed to serve on the advisory council.

**(3) Vacancy**

A vacancy on the advisory council shall be filled in the same manner as the original appointment.

**(d)<sup>1</sup> Chairperson and procedures**

The advisory council shall elect a chairperson and establish such rules and procedures as it deems necessary or desirable.

**(e) Service without compensation**

Members of the advisory council shall serve without pay, but the Secretary shall reimburse members for reasonable expenses incurred in carrying out official duties as a member of the council.

**(f) Administrative support**

The Secretary shall provide the advisory council with necessary administrative support and shall designate an appropriate officer of the Bureau of Land Management to serve as the Secretary's liaison to the council.

**(g) State liaison**

The Secretary shall appoint one person, nominated by the Governor of Oregon, to serve as the State government liaison to the advisory council.

**(h) Applicable law**

The advisory committee<sup>2</sup> shall be subject to the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976 (43 U.S.C. 1701 et seq.) and the Federal Advisory Committee Act (5 U.S.C. App.).

(Pub. L. 106-399, title I, §131, Oct. 30, 2000, 114 Stat. 1664.)

## REFERENCES IN TEXT

The Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976, referred to in subsec. (h), is Pub. L. 94-579, Oct. 21, 1976, 90 Stat. 2743, as amended, which is classified principally to chapter 35 (§1701 et seq.) of Title 43, Public Lands. For complete classification of this Act to the Code, see Short Title note set out under section 1701 of Title 43 and Tables.

The Federal Advisory Committee Act, referred to in subsec. (h), is Pub. L. 92-463, Oct. 6, 1972, 86 Stat. 770, as amended, which is set out in the Appendix to Title 5, Government Organization and Employees.

**§ 460nnn-52. Advisory role in management activities****(a) Management recommendations**

The advisory committee<sup>1</sup> shall utilize sound science, existing plans for the management of Federal lands included in the Cooperative Management and Protection Area, and other tools to formulate recommendations for the Secretary regarding—

(1) new and unique approaches to the management of lands within the boundaries of the Cooperative Management and Protection Area; and

(2) cooperative programs and incentives for seamless landscape management that meets

human needs and maintains and improves the ecological and economic integrity of the Cooperative Management and Protection Area.

**(b) Preparation of management plan**

The Secretary shall consult with the advisory committee<sup>1</sup> as part of the preparation and implementation of the management plan.

**(c) Submission of recommendations**

No recommendations may be presented to the Secretary by the advisory council without the agreement of at least nine members of the advisory council.

(Pub. L. 106-399, title I, §132, Oct. 30, 2000, 114 Stat. 1665.)

**§ 460nnn-53. Science committee**

The Secretary shall appoint, as needed or at the request of the advisory council, a team of respected, knowledgeable, and diverse scientists to provide advice on questions relating to the management of the Cooperative Management and Protection Area to the Secretary and the advisory council. The Secretary shall seek the advice of the advisory council in making these appointments.

(Pub. L. 106-399, title I, §133, Oct. 30, 2000, 114 Stat. 1666.)

## PART B—STEENS MOUNTAIN WILDERNESS AREA

**§ 460nnn-61. Designation of Steens Mountain Wilderness Area**

The Federal lands in the Cooperative Management and Protection Area depicted as wilderness on the map entitled “Steens Mountain Wilderness Area” and dated September 18, 2000, are hereby designated as wilderness and therefore as a component of the National Wilderness Preservation System. The wilderness area shall be known as the Steens Mountain Wilderness Area.

(Pub. L. 106-399, title II, §201, Oct. 30, 2000, 114 Stat. 1666.)

## CODIFICATION

Section is comprised of section 201 of Pub. L. 106-399. Section 201 also enacted provisions listed in a table of Wilderness Areas set out under section 1132 of this title.

**§ 460nnn-62. Administration of Wilderness Area****(a) General rule**

The Secretary shall administer the Wilderness Area in accordance with this part and the Wilderness Act (16 U.S.C. 1131 et seq.). Any reference in the Wilderness Act to the effective date of that Act (or any similar reference) shall be deemed to be a reference to October 30, 2000.

**(b) Wilderness boundaries along roads**

Where a wilderness boundary exists along a road, the wilderness boundary shall be set back from the centerline of the road, consistent with the Bureau of Land Management's guidelines as established in its Wilderness Management Policy.

**(c) Access to non-Federal lands**

The Secretary shall provide reasonable access to private lands within the boundaries of the

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