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SEC. 4. MANAGEMENT OF RIVER SEGMENTS.

The river segments designated in section 3 shall be managed—

(1) in accordance with the river management plan entitled ‘‘Lower Delaware Wild and Scenic River Study Task Force and the National Park Service’’ which was prepared by the Lower Delaware Wild and Scenic River Study Task Force and the National Park Service, which establishes goals and actions that will ensure long-term protection of the river’s outstanding values and compatible management of water resources associated with the river; and

(2) in cooperation with appropriate Federal, State, regional, and local agencies, including—

(A) the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection;

(B) the Pennsylvania Department of Conservation and Natural Resources;

(C) the Delaware and Lehigh Navigation Canal Heritage Corridor Commission;

(D) the Delaware and Raritan Canal Commission; and

(E) the Delaware River Greenway Partnership.

(b) SATISFACTION OF REQUIREMENTS FOR PLAN.—The management plan shall be considered to satisfy the requirements for a comprehensive management plan under subsection 3(d) of the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act (16 U.S.C. 1274(d)).

(c) FEDERAL ROLE.—

(1) RESTRICTIONS ON WATER RESOURCE PROJECTS.—In determining under section 7(a) of the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act (16 U.S.C. 1274(a)) whether a proposed water resources project would have a direct and adverse effect on the value for which a segment is designated as part of the Wild and Scenic Rivers System, the Secretary (hereinafter referred to as the ‘‘Secretary’’) shall consider the extent to which the project is consistent with the management plan.

(2) COOPERATIVE AGREEMENTS.—Any cooperative agreements entered into under section 10(e) of the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act (16 U.S.C. 1281(e)) relating to any of the segments designated by this Act shall be consistent with the management plan.

(3) SUPPORT FOR IMPLEMENTATION.—The Secretary may provide technical assistance, staff support, and funding to assist in the implementation of the management plan.

(d) LAND MANAGEMENT.—The Secretary may provide planning, financial, and technical assistance to local municipalities to assist in the implementation of actions to protect the natural, economic, and historic resources of the river segments designated by this Act.

(e) PLAN REQUIREMENTS.—After adoption of recommendations made in section 3(h) of the management plan, the zoning ordinances of the municipalities bordering the segments shall be considered to satisfy the standards and requirements under section 6(c) of the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act (16 U.S.C. 1274).
(B) the segment from the Erie Lackawanna railroad bridge to the southern tip of Dildine Island (approximately 3.6 miles), which, if made part of the Wild and Scenic Rivers System in accordance with this paragraph, shall be administered by the Secretary as a recreational river;

(C) the segment from the southern tip of Mack Island to the northern border of the town of Belvidere, New Jersey (approximately 2 miles), which, if made part of the Wild and Scenic Rivers System in accordance with this paragraph, shall be administered by the Secretary as a recreational river;

(D) the segment from the southern border of the town of Phillipsburg, New Jersey, to a point just north of Gilbert Generating Station (approximately 9.5 miles), which, if made part of the Wild and Scenic Rivers System in accordance with this paragraph, shall be administered by the Secretary as a recreational river;

(E) Paulinskill River in Knollton Township (approximately 2.4 miles), which, if made part of the Wild and Scenic Rivers System in accordance with this paragraph, shall be administered by the Secretary as a recreational river; and

(F) the segment from the Delaware Water Gap to the southern border of the town of New Hope, Pennsylvania (approximately 10.5 miles), which, if made part of the Wild and Scenic Rivers System in accordance with this paragraph, shall be administered by the Secretary as a scenic river.

(2) FINDING.—Congress finds that each of the additional segments is suitable for designation as a recreational river or scenic river under this paragraph, where there is adequate local support for the designation.

(3) DESIGNATION.—If the Secretary finds that there is adequate local support for designating any of the additional segments as a recreational river or scenic river—

(A) the Secretary shall publish in the Federal Register a notice of the designation of the segment; and

(B) the segment shall thereby be designated as a recreational river or scenic river, as the case may be, in accordance with the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act (16 U.S.C. 1271 et seq.).

(4) CRITERIA FOR LOCAL SUPPORT.—In determining whether there is adequate local support for the designation of an additional segment, the Secretary shall consider, among other things, the preferences of local governments expressed in resolutions concerning designation of the segment.

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There is authorized to be appropriated such sums as are necessary to carry out this Act.

The committee amendment was agreed to.

The bill (S. 1296), as amended, was passed, as follows:

S. 1296 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled.

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

This Act may be cited as the "Lower Delaware Wild and Scenic Rivers Act."
be administered by the Secretary as a recreational river;
(C) the segment from the southern tip of Mack Island to the northern border of the town of Belvidere, New Jersey (approximately 2 miles), which, if made part of the Wild and Scenic Rivers System in accordance with this paragraph, shall be administered by the Secretary as a recreational river;
(D) the segment from the southern border of the town of Phillippsburg, New Jersey, to a point just north of Gilbert Generating Station (approximately 4 miles), which, if made part of the Wild and Scenic Rivers System in accordance with this paragraph, shall be administered by the Secretary as a recreational river;
(E) Paulinskill River in Knowlton Township (approximately 2.4 miles), which, if made part of the Wild and Scenic Rivers System in accordance with this paragraph, shall be administered by the Secretary as a recreational river; and
(F) Cook's Creek (approximately 3.5 miles), which, if made part of the Wild and Scenic Rivers System in accordance with this paragraph, shall be administered by the Secretary as a scenic river.

(2) The Secretary finds that each of the additional segments is suitable for designation as a recreational river or scenic river under this paragraph, if there is adequate local support for the designation.

(3) Designation.—If the Secretary finds that there is adequate local support for designating any of the additional segments as a recreational river or scenic river—
(A) the Secretary shall publish in the Federal Register a notice of the designation of the segment; and
(B) the segment shall thereby be designated as a recreational river or scenic river, as the case may be, in accordance with the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act (16 U.S.C. 1271 et seq.).

(4) Criteria for Local Support.—In determining whether there is adequate local support for the designation of an additional segment as a recreational river or scenic river, the Secretary shall consider—
(A) the Secretary shall publish in the Federal Register a notice of the designation of the segment; and
(B) the segment shall thereby be designated as a recreational river or scenic river, as the case may be, in accordance with the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act (16 U.S.C. 1271 et seq.).

(5) Congress assembled, agreed to.

The bill (S. 1599), as amended, was considered, ordered and engrossed for a third reading, read the third time, and passed, as follows:

S. 1569

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE. This Act may be cited as the “Taunton River Wild and Scenic River Study Act of 1999”.

SECTION 2. FINDINGS. Congress finds that—
(1) the Taunton River in the State of Massachusetts possesses important resource values (including wildlife, ecological, and scenic values), historic sites, and a cultural past important to the heritage of the United States;
(2) there is strong support among State and local officials, area residents, and river users for a cooperative wild and scenic river study of the area; and
(3) there is a longstanding interest among State and local officials, area residents, and river users in undertaking a concerted cooperative effort to manage the river in a productive and meaningful way.

SECTION 3. DESIGNATION FOR STUDY. Section 5(a) of the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act (16 U.S.C. 1276(a)) is amended—
(1) by redesignating the second paragraph (18) as paragraph (19); and
(2) by redesigning the second paragraph (11) as paragraph (12);
(3) by redesigning the third paragraph (20) as paragraph (21);
(4) by redesigning the fourth paragraph (11) as paragraph (12); and
(5) by redesigning the first designated paragraph as paragraph (16); and
(6) by redesigning the second designated paragraph as paragraph (17); and
(7) by adding at the end the following:

“(17) TAUNTON RIVER, MASSACHUSETTS.—Not later than 3 years after the date of enactment of this paragraph, the Secretary of the Interior—
(A) shall complete the study of the Taunton River, Massachusetts; and
(B) shall submit to Congress a report describing the results of the study.”

SECTION 4. STUDY AND REPORT. Section 5(b) of the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act (16 U.S.C. 1276(b)) is amended—
(1) by redesignating the second paragraph (10) as paragraph (11);
(2) by redesigning the second paragraph (11) as paragraph (12);
(3) by redesigning the third paragraph (12) as paragraph (13); and
(4) by redesigning the fourth paragraph (11) as paragraph (12); and
(5) by redesigning the first designated paragraph as paragraph (16); and
(6) by redesigning the second designated paragraph as paragraph (17); and
(7) by adding at the end the following:

“(17) TAUNTON RIVER, MASSACHUSETTS.—Not later than 3 years after the date of enactment of this paragraph, the Secretary of the Interior—
(A) shall complete the study of the Taunton River, Massachusetts; and
(B) shall submit to Congress a report describing the results of the study.”

SECTION 5. AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS. There are authorized to be appropriated such sums as are necessary to carry out this Act.

TAUNTON RIVER WILD AND SCENIC RIVER STUDY ACT OF 1999

The Senate proceeded to consider the bill (S. 1569) to amend the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act to designate segments of the Taunton River in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts for study for potential addition to the National Wild and Scenic Rivers System, and for other purposes, which had been reported from the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, with amendments; as follows:

(The parts of the bill intended to be stricken are shown in boldface brackets and the parts of the bill intended to be inserted as shown in italic.)

S. 1569

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE. This Act may be cited as the “Taunton River Wild and Scenic River Study Act of 1999”.

SECTION 2. FINDINGS. Congress finds that—
(1) the Taunton River in the State of Massachusetts possesses important resource values (including wildlife, ecological, and scenic values), historic sites, and a cultural past important to the heritage of the United States;