

**YUMA CROSSING NATIONAL  
HERITAGE AREA ACT OF 2000**

The Senate proceeded to consider the bill (H.R. 2833) to establish the Yuma Crossing National Heritage Area.

The bill (H.R. 2833) was read the third time and passed.

**GAYLORD NELSON APOSTLE ISLANDS STEWARDSHIP ACT OF 1999**

The Senate proceeded to consider the bill (S. 134) to direct the Secretary of the Interior to study whether the Apostle Islands National Lakeshore should be protected as a wilderness area, which had been reported from the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, with an amendment as follows: (Omit the part in black brackets)

S. 134

*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 "Gaylord Nelson Apostle Islands Stewardship Act of 1999".

**SEC. 2. GAYLORD NELSON APOSTLE ISLANDS.**

(a) **DECLARATIONS.**—Congress declares that—

(1) the Apostle Islands National Lakeshore is a national and a Wisconsin treasure;

(2) the State of Wisconsin is particularly indebted to former Senator Gaylord Nelson for his leadership in the creation of the Lakeshore;

(3) after more than 28 years of enjoyment, some issues critical to maintaining the overall ecological, recreational, and cultural vision of the Lakeshore need additional attention;

(4) the general management planning process for the Lakeshore has identified a need for a formal wilderness study;

(5) all land within the Lakeshore that might be suitable for designation as wilderness are zoned and managed to protect wilderness characteristics pending completion of such a study;

(6) several historic lighthouses within the Lakeshore are in danger of structural damage due to severe erosion;

(7) the Secretary of the Interior has been unable to take full advantage of cooperative agreements with Federal, State, local, and tribal governmental agencies, institutions of higher education, and other nonprofit organizations that could assist the National Park Service by contributing to the management of the Lakeshore;

(8) because of competing needs in other units of the National Park System, the standard authorizing and budgetary process has not resulted in updated legislative authority and necessary funding for improvements to the Lakeshore; and

(9) the need for improvements to the Lakeshore and completion of a wilderness study should be accorded a high priority among National Park Service activities.

(b) **DEFINITIONS.**—In this section:

(1) **LAKESHORE.**—The term "Lakeshore" means the Apostle Islands National Lakeshore.

(2) **SECRETARY.**—The term "Secretary" means the Secretary of the Interior, acting through the Director of the National Park Service.

(c) **WILDERNESS STUDY.**—In fulfillment of the responsibilities of the Secretary under

the Wilderness Act (16 U.S.C. 1131 et seq.) and of applicable agency policy, the Secretary shall evaluate areas of land within the Lakeshore for inclusion in the National Wilderness System.

(d) **APOSTLE ISLANDS LIGHTHOUSES.**—The Secretary shall undertake appropriate action (including protection of the bluff toe beneath the lighthouses, stabilization of the bank face, and dewatering of the area immediately shoreward of the bluffs) to protect the lighthouse structures at Raspberry Lighthouse and Outer Island Lighthouse on the Lakeshore.

(e) **COOPERATIVE AGREEMENTS.**—Section 6 of Public Law 91-424 (16 U.S.C. 460w-5) is amended—

(1) by striking "SEC. 6. The lakeshore" and inserting the following:

**"SEC. 6. MANAGEMENT.**

"(a) **IN GENERAL.**—The lakeshore"; and

(2) by adding at the end the following:

"(b) **COOPERATIVE AGREEMENTS.**—The Secretary may enter into a cooperative agreement with a Federal, State, tribal, or local government agency or a nonprofit private entity if the Secretary determines that a cooperative agreement would be beneficial in carrying out section 7."

(f) **AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.**—There are authorized to be appropriated—

(1) \$200,000 to carry out subsection (c); and

(2) \$3,900,000 to carry out subsection (d).

[(g) **FUNDING.**—

[(1) **IN GENERAL.**—Of the funds made available under the heading "CLEAN COAL TECHNOLOGY" under the heading "DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY" for obligation in prior years, in addition to the funds deferred under the heading "CLEAN COAL TECHNOLOGY" under the heading "DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY" under section 101(e) of division A of Public Law 105-277—

[(A) \$5,000,000 shall not be available until October 1, 2000; and

[(B) \$5,000,000 shall not be available until October 1, 2001.

[(2) **ONGOING PROJECTS.**—Funds made available in previous appropriations Acts shall be available for any ongoing project regardless of the separate request for proposal under which the project was selected.

[(3) **TRANSFER OF FUNDS.**—In addition to any amounts made available under subsection (f), amounts made available under paragraph (1) shall be transferred to the Secretary for use in carrying out subsections (c) and (d).

[(4) **UNEXPECTED BALANCE.**—Any balance of funds transferred under paragraph (3) that remain unexpended at the end of fiscal year 1999 shall be returned to the Treasury.]

The committee amendment was agreed to.

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**CONVEYANCE OF JOE ROWELL  
PARK**

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