

(B) a mixture containing at least 85 percent of methanol, denatured ethanol, and other alcohols by volume with gasoline or other fuels;

(C) natural gas;

(D) liquefied petroleum gas;

(E) hydrogen;

(F) coal derived liquid fuels;

(G) fuels (except alcohol) derived from biological materials;

(H) electricity (including electricity from solar energy); or

(I) any other fuel that the Secretary prescribes by regulation that is not substantially petroleum and that would yield substantial energy security and environmental benefits, including fuels regulated under section 490 of title 10, Code of Federal Regulations (or successor regulations).

(2) **HOV FACILITY.**—The term “HOV facility” means a high occupancy vehicle facility.

(3) **LOW EMISSION AND ENERGY-EFFICIENT VEHICLE.**—The term “low emission and energy-efficient vehicle” means a vehicle that—

(A) has been certified by the Administrator as meeting the Tier II emission level established in regulations prescribed by the Administrator under section 202(i) of the Clean Air Act (42 U.S.C. 7521(i)) for that make and model year vehicle; and

(B)(i) is certified by the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency, in consultation with the manufacturer, to have achieved not less than a 50-percent increase in city fuel economy or not less than a 25-percent increase in combined city-highway fuel economy (or such greater percentage of city or city-highway fuel economy as may be determined by a State under subsection (d)(2)(C)) relative to a comparable vehicle that is an internal combustion gasoline fueled vehicle (other than a vehicle that has propulsion energy from onboard hybrid sources); or

(ii) is an alternative fuel vehicle.

(4) **PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION VEHICLE.**—The term “public transportation vehicle” means a vehicle that—

(A) provides designated public transportation (as defined in section 221 of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (42 U.S.C. 12141) or provides public school transportation (to and from public or private primary, secondary, or tertiary schools); and

(B)(i) is owned or operated by a public entity;

(ii) is operated under a contract with a public entity; or

(iii) is operated pursuant to a license by the Secretary or a State agency to provide motorbus or school vehicle transportation services to the public.

(5) **STATE AGENCY.**—

(A) **IN GENERAL.**—The term “State agency”, as used with respect to a HOV facility, means an agency of a State or local government having jurisdiction over the operation of the facility.

(B) **INCLUSION.**—The term “State agency” includes a State transportation department.

(Added Pub. L. 109–59, title I, §1121(a), Aug. 10, 2005, 119 Stat. 1192; amended Pub. L. 110–244, title I, §101(p), June 6, 2008, 122 Stat. 1576.)

REFERENCES IN TEXT

The date of enactment of this section, referred to in subsec. (e), is the date of enactment of Pub. L. 109–59, which was approved Aug. 10, 2005.

AMENDMENTS

2008—Subsec. (b)(5)(C). Pub. L. 110–244 substituted “paragraph (4)” for “paragraph (3)”.

[§§ 181 to 190. Renumbered §§ 601 to 610]

CODIFICATION

Subchapter II heading “INFRASTRUCTURE FINANCE” was struck out and sections 181 to 190, which comprised subchapter II of this chapter, were renumbered sections 601 to 610, respectively, and transferred to follow the analysis of chapter 6 of this title, by Pub. L. 109–59, title I, §1602(b)(6)(B), (d), Aug. 10, 2005, 119 Stat. 1247, as amended by Pub. L. 110–244, title I, §101(f), June 6, 2008, 122 Stat. 1574.

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AMENDMENTS

2005—Pub. L. 109–59, title I, §1118(b)(3), Aug. 10, 2005, 119 Stat. 1181, substituted “Territorial highway program” for “Territories highway development program” in item 215.

1998—Pub. L. 105–178, title I, §1112(b), June 9, 1998, 112 Stat. 151, substituted “Recreational trails program” for “Repealed” in item 206.

1987—Pub. L. 100–17, title I, §133(e)(1), Apr. 2, 1987, 101 Stat. 173, struck out items 211 “Timber access road hearings”, 213 “Rama Road”, and 219 “Safer of off-system roads”.

1983—Pub. L. 97–424, title I, §126(e)(1), Jan. 6, 1983, 96 Stat. 2115, substituted “Allocations” for “Apportionment for allocation” in item 202.

Pub. L. 97–424, title I, §126(e)(2), Jan. 6, 1983, 96 Stat. 2115, substituted “Federal lands highways programs” for “Forest highways” in item 204.

Pub. L. 97–424, title I, §126(e)(3), Jan. 6, 1983, 96 Stat. 2116, substituted “Repealed” in items 206 through 209 which read “Park roads and trails”, “Parkways”, “Indian reservation roads”, “Public lands highways”, respectively.

1976—Pub. L. 94–280, title I, §135(b), May 5, 1976, 90 Stat. 442, substituted item 219 “Safer of off-system roads” for “Off-system roads”.

1975—Pub. L. 93–643, §122(b), Jan. 4, 1975, 88 Stat. 2290, added item 219.

1973—Pub. L. 93–87, title I, §§124(b), 127(a)(2), Aug. 13, 1973, 87 Stat. 262, 264, added items 217 and 218.

¹ So in original. Does not conform to section catchline.

1970—Pub. L. 91-605, title I, §§112(b), 113(b), Dec. 31, 1970, 84 Stat. 1721, 1722, added items 215 and 216.

1962—Pub. L. 87-866, §6(c), Oct. 23, 1962, 76 Stat. 1147, added item 214.

§ 201. Authorizations

The provision of this title shall apply to all unappropriated authorizations contained in prior Acts, and also to all unexpended appropriations heretofore made, providing for the expenditure of Federal funds on the following classes of highways: Forest highways, forest development roads and trails, park road, parkways, Indian reservation roads, refuge roads, public lands highways, and defense access roads. All such authorizations and appropriations shall continue in full force and effect, but hereafter obligations entered into and expenditures made pursuant thereto shall be subject to the provisions of this title.

(Pub. L. 85-767, Aug. 27, 1958, 72 Stat. 906; Pub. L. 97-424, title I, §126(f), Jan. 6, 1983, 96 Stat. 2116; Pub. L. 105-178, title I, §1115(e)(1), June 9, 1998, 112 Stat. 158.)

AMENDMENTS

1998—Pub. L. 105-178 inserted “refuge roads,” after “Indian reservation roads.”.

1983—Pub. L. 97-424 substituted “park road” for “park roads and trails” after “forest development roads and trails.”.

§ 202. Allocations

(a) ALLOCATION BASED ON NEED.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—On October 1 of each fiscal year, the Secretary shall allocate sums authorized to be appropriated for the fiscal year for forest development roads and trails according to the relative needs of the various national forests and grasslands.

(2) PLANNING.—The allocation under paragraph (1) shall be consistent with the renewable resource and land use planning for the various national forests.

(b) ALLOCATION FOR PUBLIC LANDS HIGHWAYS.—

(1) PUBLIC LANDS HIGHWAYS.—

(A) IN GENERAL.—On October 1 of each fiscal year, the Secretary shall allocate 34 percent of the sums authorized to be appropriated for that fiscal year for public lands highways among those States having unappropriated or unreserved public lands, non-taxable Indian lands, or other Federal reservations, on the basis of need in the States, respectively, as determined by the Secretary, on application of the State transportation departments of the respective States.

(B) PREFERENCE.—In making the allocation under subparagraph (A), the Secretary shall give preference to those projects that are significantly impacted by Federal land and resource management activities that are proposed by a State that contains at least 3 percent of the total public land in the United States.

(2) FOREST HIGHWAYS.—

(A) IN GENERAL.—On October 1 of each fiscal year, the Secretary shall allocate 66 percent of the funds authorized to be appropriated for public lands highways for forest

highways in accordance with section 134 of the Federal-Aid Highway Act of 1987 (23 U.S.C. 202 note; 101 Stat. 173).

(B) PUBLIC ACCESS TO AND WITHIN NATIONAL FOREST SYSTEM.—In making the allocation under subparagraph (A), the Secretary shall give equal consideration to projects that provide access to and within the National Forest System, as identified by the Secretary of Agriculture through—

(i) renewable resource and land use planning; and

(ii) assessments of the impact of that planning on transportation facilities.

(c) On October 1 of each fiscal year, the Secretary shall allocate the sums authorized to be appropriated for such fiscal year for park roads and parkways each according to the relative needs of the various elements of the national park system, taking into consideration the need for access as identified through land use planning and the impact of such planning on existing transportation facilities.

(d) INDIAN RESERVATION ROADS.—

(1) FOR FISCAL YEARS ENDING BEFORE OCTOBER 1, 1999.—On October 1 of each fiscal year ending before October 1, 1999, the Secretary shall allocate the sums authorized to be appropriated for such fiscal year for Indian reservation roads according to the relative needs of the various reservations as jointly identified by the Secretary and the Secretary of the Interior.

(2) FISCAL YEAR 2000 AND THEREAFTER.—

(A) IN GENERAL.—All funds authorized to be appropriated for Indian reservation roads shall be allocated among Indian tribes for fiscal year 2000 and each subsequent fiscal year in accordance with a formula established by the Secretary of the Interior under a negotiated rulemaking procedure under subchapter III of chapter 5 of title 5.

(B) REGULATIONS.—Notwithstanding sections 563(a) and 565(a) of title 5, the Secretary of the Interior shall issue regulations governing the Indian reservation roads program, and establishing the funding formula for fiscal year 2000 and each subsequent fiscal year under this paragraph, in accordance with a negotiated rulemaking procedure under subchapter III of chapter 5 of title 5. The regulations shall be issued in final form not later than April 1, 1999, and shall take effect not later than October 1, 1999.

(C) NEGOTIATED RULEMAKING COMMITTEE.—In establishing a negotiated rulemaking committee to carry out subparagraph (B), the Secretary of the Interior shall—

(i) apply the procedures under subchapter III of chapter 5 of title 5 in a manner that reflects the unique government-to-government relationship between the Indian tribes and the United States; and

(ii) ensure that the membership of the committee includes only representatives of the Federal Government and of geographically diverse small, medium, and large Indian tribes.

(D) BASIS FOR FUNDING FORMULA.—The funding formula established for fiscal year

2000 and each subsequent fiscal year under this paragraph shall be based on factors that reflect—

(i) the relative needs of the Indian tribes, and reservation or tribal communities, for transportation assistance; and

(ii) the relative administrative capacities of, and challenges faced by, various Indian tribes, including the cost of road construction in each Bureau of Indian Affairs area, geographic isolation and difficulty in maintaining all-weather access to employment, commerce, health, safety, and educational resources.

(E) TRANSFERRED FUNDS.—

(i) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 30 days after the date on which funds are made available to the Secretary of the Interior under this paragraph, the funds shall be distributed to, and available for immediate use by, the eligible Indian tribes, in accordance with the formula for distribution of funds under the Indian reservation roads program.

(ii) USE OF FUNDS.—Notwithstanding any other provision of this section, funds available to Indian tribes for Indian reservation roads shall be expended on projects identified in a transportation improvement program approved by the Secretary.

(F) ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES.—

(i) IN GENERAL.—Of the funds authorized to be appropriated for Indian reservation roads, \$20,000,000 for fiscal year 2006, \$22,000,000 for fiscal year 2007, \$24,500,000 for fiscal year 2008, and \$27,000,000 for fiscal year 2009 may be used by the Secretary of the Interior for program management and oversight and project-related administrative expenses.

(ii) HEALTH AND SAFETY ASSURANCES.—Notwithstanding any other provision of law, an Indian tribal government may approve plans, specifications, and estimates and commence road and bridge construction with funds made available for Indian reservation roads under the Transportation Equity Act for the 21st Century (Public Law 105-178) and SAFETEA-LU through a contract or agreement under the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act (25 U.S.C. 450b et seq.)¹ if the Indian tribal government—

(I) provides assurances in the contract or agreement that the construction will meet or exceed applicable health and safety standards;

(II) obtains the advance review of the plans and specifications from a State-licensed civil engineer that has certified that the plans and specifications meet or exceed the applicable health and safety standards; and

(III) provides a copy of the certification under subclause (I) to the Deputy Assistant Secretary for Tribal Government Affairs or the Assistant Secretary for Indian Affairs, as appropriate.

(G) NATIONAL TRIBAL TRANSPORTATION FACILITY INVENTORY.—

(i) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 2 years after the date of enactment of the SAFETEA-LU, the Secretary, in cooperation with the Secretary of the Interior, shall complete a comprehensive national inventory of transportation facilities that are eligible for assistance under the Indian reservation roads program.

(ii) TRANSPORTATION FACILITIES INCLUDED IN THE INVENTORY.—For purposes of identifying the tribal transportation system and determining the relative transportation needs among Indian tribes, the Secretary shall include, at a minimum, transportation facilities that are eligible for assistance under the Indian reservation roads program that a tribe has requested, including facilities that—

(I) were included in the Bureau of Indian Affairs system inventory for funding formula purposes in 1992 or any subsequent fiscal year;

(II) were constructed or reconstructed with funds from the Highway Trust Funds (other than the Mass Transit Account) under the Indian reservation roads program since 1983;

(III) are owned by an Indian tribal government; or

(IV) are community streets or bridges within the exterior boundary of Indian reservations, Alaska Native villages, and other recognized Indian communities (including communities in former Indian reservations in Oklahoma) in which the majority of residents are American Indians or Alaska Natives; or

(V) are primary access routes proposed by tribal governments, including roads between villages, roads to landfills, roads to drinking water sources, roads to natural resources identified for economic development, and roads that provide access to intermodal termini, such as airports, harbors, or boat landings.

(iii) LIMITATION ON PRIMARY ACCESS ROUTES.—For purposes of this subparagraph, a proposed primary access route is the shortest practicable route connecting 2 points of the proposed route.

(iv) ADDITIONAL FACILITIES.—Nothing in this subparagraph shall preclude the Secretary from including additional transportation facilities that are eligible for funding under the Indian reservation roads program in the inventory used for the national funding allocation if such additional facilities are included in the inventory in a uniform and consistent manner nationally.

(v) REPORT TO CONGRESS.—Not later than 90 days after the date of completion of the inventory under this subparagraph, the Secretary shall prepare and submit a report to Congress that includes the data gathered and the results of the inventory.

(3) CONTRACTS AND AGREEMENTS WITH INDIAN TRIBES.—

¹ See References in Text note below.

(A) IN GENERAL.—Notwithstanding any other provision of law or any interagency agreement, program guideline, manual, or policy directive, all funds made available under this chapter and section 125(e) for Indian reservation roads and for highway bridges located on Indian reservation roads to pay for the costs of programs, services, functions, and activities, or portions thereof, that are specifically or functionally related to the cost of planning, research, engineering, and construction of any highway, road, bridge, parkway, or transit facility that provides access to or is located within the reservation or community of an Indian tribe shall be made available, upon request of the Indian tribal government, to the Indian tribal government for contracts and agreements for such planning, research, engineering, and construction in accordance with the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act.

(B) EXCLUSION OF AGENCY PARTICIPATION.—Funds for programs, functions, services, or activities, or portions thereof, including supportive administrative functions that are otherwise contractible to which subparagraph (A) applies, shall be paid in accordance with subparagraph (A) without regard to the organizational level at which the Department of the Interior has previously carried out such programs, functions, services, or activities.

(4) RESERVATION OF FUNDS.—

(A) NATIONWIDE PRIORITY PROGRAM.—The Secretary shall establish a nationwide priority program for improving deficient Indian reservation road bridges.

(B) FUNDING.—

(i) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—In addition to any other funds made available for Indian reservation roads for each fiscal year, there is authorized to be appropriated from the Highway Trust Fund (other than the Mass Transit Account) \$14,000,000 for each of fiscal years 2005 through 2009 to carry out planning, design, engineering, preconstruction, construction, and inspection of projects to replace, rehabilitate, seismically retrofit, paint, apply calcium magnesium acetate, sodium acetate/formate, or other environmentally acceptable, minimally corrosive anti-icing and de-icing compositions or install scour countermeasures for deficient Indian reservation road bridges, including multiple-pipe culverts.

(ii) AVAILABILITY.—Funds made available to carry out this subparagraph shall be available for obligation in the same manner as if such funds were apportioned under chapter 1.

(C) ELIGIBLE BRIDGES.—To be eligible to receive funding under this subsection, a bridge described in subparagraph (A) must—

- (i) have an opening of 20 feet or more;
- (ii) be on an Indian reservation road;
- (iii) be structurally deficient or functionally obsolete; and

(iv) be recorded in the national bridge inventory administered by the Secretary under subsection (b).

(D) APPROVAL REQUIREMENT.—

(i) IN GENERAL.—Subject to clause (ii), on request by an Indian tribe or the Secretary of the Interior, the Secretary may make funds available under this subsection for preliminary engineering for Indian reservation road bridge projects.

(ii) CONSTRUCTION AND CONSTRUCTION ENGINEERING.—The Secretary may make funds available under clause (i) for construction and construction engineering after approval of applicable plans, specifications, and estimates in accordance with this title.

(5) CONTRACTS AND AGREEMENTS WITH INDIAN TRIBES.—

(A) IN GENERAL.—Notwithstanding any other provision of law or any interagency agreement, program guideline, manual, or policy directive, all funds made available to an Indian tribal government under this chapter for a highway, road, bridge, parkway, or transit facility program or project that is located on an Indian reservation or provides access to the reservation or a community of the Indian tribe shall be made available, on the request of the Indian tribal government, to the Indian tribal government for use in carrying out, in accordance with the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act (25 U.S.C. 450 et seq.), contracts and agreements for the planning, research, design, engineering, construction, and maintenance relating to the program or project.

(B) EXCLUSION OF AGENCY PARTICIPATION.—In accordance with subparagraph (A), all funds for a program or project to which subparagraph (A) applies shall be paid to the Indian tribal government without regard to the organizational level at which the Department of the Interior has previously carried out, or the Department of Transportation has previously carried out under the Federal lands highway programs, the programs, functions, services, or activities involved.

(C) CONSORTIA.—Two or more Indian tribes that are otherwise eligible to participate in a program or project to which this chapter applies may form a consortium to be considered as a single Indian tribe for the purpose of participating in the project under this section.

(D) SECRETARY AS SIGNATORY.—Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the Secretary is authorized to enter into a funding agreement with an Indian tribal government to carry out a highway, road, bridge, parkway, or transit program or project under subparagraph (A) that is located on an Indian reservation or provides access to the reservation or a community of the Indian tribe.

(E) FUNDING.—The amount an Indian tribal government receives for a program or project under subparagraph (A) shall equal

the sum of the funding that the Indian tribal government would otherwise receive for the program or project in accordance with the funding formula established under this subsection and such additional amounts as the Secretary determines equal the amounts that would have been withheld for the costs of the Bureau of Indian Affairs for administration of the program or project.

(F) ELIGIBILITY.—

(i) IN GENERAL.—Subject to clause (ii), funds may be made available under subparagraph (A) to an Indian tribal government for a program or project in a fiscal year only if the Indian tribal government requesting such funds demonstrates to the satisfaction of the Secretary financial stability and financial management capability during the 3 fiscal years immediately preceding the fiscal year for which the request is being made.

(ii) CRITERIA FOR DETERMINING FINANCIAL STABILITY AND FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT CAPABILITY.—An Indian tribal government that had no uncorrected significant and material audit exceptions in the required annual audit of the Indian tribal government self-determination contracts or self-governance funding agreements with any Federal agency during the 3-fiscal year period referred in clause (i) shall be conclusive evidence of the financial stability and financial management capability for purposes of clause (i).

(G) ASSUMPTION OF FUNCTIONS AND DUTIES.—An Indian tribal government receiving funding under subparagraph (A) for a program or project shall assume all functions and duties that the Secretary of the Interior would have performed with respect to a program or project under this chapter, other than those functions and duties that inherently cannot be legally transferred under the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act (25 U.S.C. 450b et seq.).¹

(H) POWERS.—An Indian tribal government receiving funding under subparagraph (A) for a program or project shall have all powers that the Secretary of the Interior would have exercised in administering the funds transferred to the Indian tribal government for such program or project under this section if the funds had not been transferred, except to the extent that such powers are powers that inherently cannot be legally transferred under the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act (25 U.S.C. 450b et seq.).¹

(I) DISPUTE RESOLUTION.—In the event of a disagreement between the Secretary or the Secretary of the Interior and an Indian tribe over whether a particular function, duty, or power may be lawfully transferred under the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act (25 U.S.C. 450b et seq.),¹ the Indian tribe shall have the right to pursue all alternative dispute resolutions and appeal procedures authorized by such Act, including regulations issued to carry out such Act.

(J) TERMINATION OF CONTRACT OR AGREEMENT.—On the date of the termination of a contract or agreement under this section by an Indian tribal government, the Secretary shall transfer all funds that would have been allocated to the Indian tribal government under the contract or agreement to the Secretary of the Interior to provide continued transportation services in accordance with applicable law.

(e) REFUGE ROADS.—On October 1 of each fiscal year, the Secretary shall allocate the sums made available for that fiscal year for refuge roads according to the relative needs of the various refuges in the National Wildlife Refuge System, and taking into consideration—

(1) the comprehensive conservation plan for each refuge;

(2) the need for access as identified through land use planning; and

(3) the impact of land use planning on existing transportation facilities.

(Pub. L. 85-767, Aug. 27, 1958, 72 Stat. 906; Pub. L. 94-280, title I, § 133, May 5, 1976, 90 Stat. 441; Pub. L. 97-424, title I, § 126(a), Jan. 6, 1983, 96 Stat. 2113; Pub. L. 102-240, title I, § 1032(a), Dec. 18, 1991, 105 Stat. 1974; Pub. L. 105-178, title I, §§ 1115(b), (e)(2), (f)(2), 1212(a)(2)(A)(ii), June 9, 1998, 112 Stat. 154, 158, 193; Pub. L. 105-206, title IX, § 9002(i), July 22, 1998, 112 Stat. 836; Pub. L. 109-59, title I, § 1119(c)–(g), Aug. 10, 2005, 119 Stat. 1182–1185.)

REFERENCES IN TEXT

Section 134 of the Federal-Aid Highway Act of 1987, referred to in subsec. (b)(2)(A), is section 134 of Pub. L. 100-17, which is set out below.

The Transportation Equity Act for the 21st Century, referred to in subsec. (d)(2)(F)(ii), is Pub. L. 105-178, June 9, 1998, 112 Stat. 107, as amended. For complete classification of this Act to the Code, see section 1(a) of Pub. L. 105-178, set out as a Short Title of 1998 Amendment note under section 101 of this title and Tables.

The SAFETEA-LU, referred to in subsec. (d)(2)(F)(ii), (G)(i), is Pub. L. 109-59, Aug. 10, 2005, 119 Stat. 1144, also known as the Safe, Accountable, Flexible, Efficient Transportation Equity Act: A Legacy for Users. For complete classification of this Act to the Code, see Short Title of 2005 Amendments note set out under section 101 of this title and Tables.

The Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act, referred to in subsec. (d)(2)(F)(ii), (3)(A), (5)(A), (G)–(I), is Pub. L. 93-638, Jan. 4, 1975, 88 Stat. 2203, as amended, which is classified principally to subchapter II (§ 450 et seq.) of chapter 14 of Title 25, Indians. For complete classification of this Act to the Code, see Short Title note set out under section 450 of Title 25 and Tables.

AMENDMENTS

2005—Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 109-59, § 1119(c)(1), inserted subsec. heading, substituted par. (1) for “On October 1 of each fiscal year, the Secretary shall allocate the sums authorized to be appropriated for such fiscal year for forest development roads and trails according to the relative needs of the various national forests.”, inserted par. (2) designation and heading, and substituted “The allocation under paragraph (1)” for “Such allocation”.

Subsec. (b). Pub. L. 109-59, § 1119(d), added subsec. (b) and struck out former subsec. (b) which read as follows: “On October 1 of each fiscal year, the Secretary shall allocate 34 percent of the sums authorized to be appropriated for such fiscal year for public lands highways

among those States having unappropriated or unreserved public lands, nontaxable Indian lands or other Federal reservations, on the basis of need in such States, respectively, as determined by the Secretary upon application of the State transportation departments of the respective States. The Secretary shall give preference to those projects which are significantly impacted by Federal land and resource management activities which are proposed by a State which contains at least 3 percent of the total public lands in the Nation. The Secretary shall allocate 66 percent of the remainder of the authorization for public lands highways for each fiscal year as is provided in section 134 of the Federal-Aid Highway Act of 1987, and with respect to these allocations the Secretary shall give equal consideration to projects that provide access to and within the National Forest System, as identified by the Secretary of Agriculture through renewable resources and land use planning and the impact of such planning on existing transportation facilities."

Subsec. (d)(2)(E). Pub. L. 109-59, § 1119(c)(2)(A), added subpar. (E).

Subsec. (d)(2)(F). Pub. L. 109-59, § 1119(e), added subpar. (F).

Subsec. (d)(2)(G). Pub. L. 109-59, § 1119(f), added subpar. (G).

Subsec. (d)(3)(A). Pub. L. 109-59, § 1119(c)(2)(B), substituted "under this chapter and section 125(e)" for "under this title".

Subsec. (d)(4)(B). Pub. L. 109-59, § 1119(g)(1), substituted "Funding" for "Reservation" in heading, designated existing provisions as cl. (i), inserted heading, substituted "In addition to any other funds made available for Indian reservation roads for each fiscal year, there is authorized to be appropriated from the Highway Trust Fund (other than the Mass Transit Account) \$14,000,000 for each of fiscal years 2005 through 2009 to carry out planning, design, engineering, preconstruction, construction, and inspection of projects to replace," for "Of the amounts authorized to be appropriated for Indian reservation roads for each fiscal year, the Secretary, in cooperation with the Secretary of the Interior, shall reserve not less than \$13,000,000 for projects to replace," and added cl. (ii).

Subsec. (d)(4)(C)(iii). Pub. L. 109-59, § 1119(g)(2), added cl. (iii) and struck out former cl. (iii) which read as follows: "be unsafe because of structural deficiencies, physical deterioration, or functional obsolescence; and".

Subsec. (d)(4)(D). Pub. L. 109-59, § 1119(g)(3), added subpar. (D) and struck out heading and text of former subpar. (D). Text read as follows: "Funds to carry out Indian reservation road bridge projects under this subsection shall be made available only on approval of plans, specifications, and estimates by the Secretary."

Subsec. (d)(5). Pub. L. 109-59, § 1119(g)(4), added par. (5).

1998—Subsec. (b). Pub. L. 105-178, § 1212(a)(2)(A)(ii), substituted "State transportation departments" for "State highway departments".

Subsec. (d). Pub. L. 105-178, § 1115(b), inserted subsec. heading, designated existing provisions as par. (1), inserted par. heading, realigned margins, inserted "ending before October 1, 1999" after "each fiscal year", and added pars. (2) to (4).

Subsec. (d)(4)(B). Pub. L. 105-178, § 1115(f)(2), as added by Pub. L. 105-206, § 9002(i), substituted ", sodium acetate/formate, or other environmentally acceptable, minimally corrosive anti-icing and de-icing compositions" for "to, apply sodium acetate/formate de-icer to,".

Subsec. (e). Pub. L. 105-178, § 1115(e)(2), added subsec. (e).

1991—Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 102-240, § 1032(a)(1), (2), redesignated subsec. (b) as (a) and struck out former subsec. (a) which read as follows: "On October 1 of each fiscal year, the Secretary shall allocate the sums authorized to be appropriated for such fiscal year for forest highways according to the relative needs of the various elements of the national forest system as determined

by the Secretary, taking into consideration the need for access as identified by the Secretary of Agriculture through renewable resource and land use planning, and the impact of such planning on existing transportation facilities."

Subsec. (b). Pub. L. 102-240, § 1032(a)(2)-(4), redesignated subsec. (c) as (b), inserted "34 percent of" after "allocate", and substituted for period at end "which are proposed by a State which contains at least 3 percent of the total public lands in the Nation. The Secretary shall allocate 66 percent of the remainder of the authorization for public lands highways for each fiscal year as is provided in section 134 of the Federal-Aid Highway Act of 1987, and with respect to these allocations the Secretary shall give equal consideration to projects that provide access to and within the National Forest System, as identified by the Secretary of Agriculture through renewable resources and land use planning and the impact of such planning on existing transportation facilities." Former subsec. (b) redesignated (a).

Subsecs. (c) to (e). Pub. L. 102-240, § 1032(a)(2), redesignated subsecs. (d) and (e) as (c) and (d), respectively. Former subsec. (c) redesignated (b).

1983—Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 97-424 substituted provisions relating to allocation of sums authorized to be appropriated by the Secretary for provisions relating to apportionment of sums authorized to be appropriated by the Secretary.

Subsec. (b). Pub. L. 97-424 substituted provisions requiring allocation of sums on October 1 of each fiscal year to be consistent with renewable resource and land use planning for provisions requiring allocation of sums to take into consideration existing transportation facilities, value of resources served, fire danger, and road and trail construction difficulties.

Subsec. (c). Pub. L. 97-424 inserted provisions requiring allocation of sums on October 1 of each fiscal year, and substituted provisions requiring preferences to be given to projects impacted by Federal land and resource management for provisions requiring preferences to be given to projects located on a Federal-aid system.

Subsecs. (d), (e). Pub. L. 97-424 added subsecs. (d) and (e).

1976—Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 94-280 substituted introductory "On October 1 of each fiscal year" for "On or before January 1 next preceding the commencement of each fiscal year".

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1998 AMENDMENT

Title IX of Pub. L. 105-206 effective simultaneously with enactment of Pub. L. 105-178 and to be treated as included in Pub. L. 105-178 at time of enactment, and provisions of Pub. L. 105-178, as in effect on day before July 22, 1998, that are amended by title IX of Pub. L. 105-206 to be treated as not enacted, see section 9016 of Pub. L. 105-206, set out as a note under section 101 of this title.

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1991 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 102-240 effective Dec. 18, 1991, and applicable to funds authorized to be appropriated or made available after Sept. 30, 1991, and, with certain exceptions, not applicable to funds appropriated or made available on or before Sept. 30, 1991, see section 1100 of Pub. L. 102-240, set out as a note under section 104 of this title.

ADDITIONAL AUTHORIZATION OF CONTRACT AUTHORITY FOR STATES WITH INDIAN RESERVATIONS

Pub. L. 105-178, title I, § 1214(d), June 9, 1998, 112 Stat. 205, as amended by Pub. L. 109-59, title I, § 1806, Aug. 10, 2005, 119 Stat. 1460, provided that:

"(1) AVAILABILITY TO STATES.—Not later than October 1 of each fiscal year, funds made available under paragraph (5) for the fiscal year shall be made available by the Secretary, in equal amounts, to each State that has within the boundaries of the State all or part of an In-

dian reservation having a land area of 10,000,000 acres or more.

“(2) AVAILABILITY TO ELIGIBLE COUNTIES.—

“(A) IN GENERAL.—Each fiscal year, each county that is located in a State to which funds are made available under paragraph (1), and that has in the county a public road described in subparagraph (B), shall be eligible to apply to the State for all or a portion of the funds made available to the State under this subsection to be used by the county to maintain such roads.

“(B) ROADS.—A public road referred to in subparagraph (A) is a public road that—

“(i) is within, adjacent to, or provides access to an Indian reservation described in paragraph (1);

“(ii) is used by a school bus to transport children to or from a school or Headstart program carried out under the Head Start Act (42 U.S.C. 9831 et seq.); and

“(iii) is maintained by the county in which the public road is located.

“(C) ALLOCATION AMONG ELIGIBLE COUNTIES.—

“(i) IN GENERAL.—Except as provided in clause (ii), each State that receives funds under paragraph (1) shall provide directly to each county that applies for funds the amount that the county requests in the application.

“(ii) ALLOCATION AMONG ELIGIBLE COUNTIES.—If the total amount of funds applied for under this subsection by eligible counties in a State exceeds the amount of funds available to the State, the State shall equitably allocate the funds among the eligible counties that apply for funds.

“(3) SUPPLEMENTARY FUNDING.—For each fiscal year, the Secretary shall ensure that funding made available under this subsection supplements (and does not supplant)—

“(A) any obligation of funds by the Bureau of Indian Affairs for road maintenance programs on Indian reservations; and

“(B) any funding provided by a State to a county for road maintenance programs in the county.

“(4) USE OF UNALLOCATED FUNDS.—Any portion of the funds made available to a State under this subsection that is not made available to counties within 1 year after the funds are made available to the State shall be apportioned among the States in accordance with section 104(b) of title 23, United States Code.

“(5) FUNDING.—

“(A) IN GENERAL.—There is authorized to be appropriated from the Highway Trust Fund (other than the Mass Transit Account) to carry out this subsection \$1,800,000 for each of fiscal years 2005 through 2009.

“(B) CONTRACT AUTHORITY.—Funds authorized by this subsection shall be available for obligation in the same manner as if the funds were apportioned under chapter 1 of title 23, United States Code.”

INDIAN RESERVATION ROADS

Section 1032(d) of Pub. L. 102-240 provided that: “Notwithstanding any other provision of law, funds allocated for Indian reservation roads may be used for the purpose of funding road projects on roads of tribally controlled postsecondary vocational institutions.”

Pub. L. 102-240, title I, §1042, Dec. 18, 1991, 105 Stat. 1993, directed Secretary of Transportation to conduct a study on funding needs for Indian reservation roads and to report to Congress on results of the study not later than one year after Dec. 18, 1991, prior to repeal by Pub. L. 105-362, title XV, §1501(c), Nov. 10, 1998, 112 Stat. 3294.

STUDY AND REPORT ON METHOD OF ALLOCATING FUNDS

Section 1032(e) of Pub. L. 102-240 provided that: “The Secretary shall undertake a study to determine if the method for allocating funds authorized for Federal lands highways is adequate to meet the relative transportation needs of the Federal lands served. The report shall be submitted within 2 years of the date of the enactment of this Act [Dec. 18, 1991].”

FOREST HIGHWAYS

Pub. L. 100-17, title I, §134, Apr. 2, 1987, 101 Stat. 173, as amended by Pub. L. 100-202, §101(l) [title III, §348(a)], Dec. 22, 1987, 101 Stat. 1329-358, 1329-388, provided that: “Notwithstanding section 202(a) of title 23, United States Code, the Secretary shall, after making the transfer provided by section 204(g) of such title, as soon as practicable after the date of the enactment of this Act [Apr. 2, 1987] in fiscal year 1987 and on October 1 of each of fiscal years 1988, 1989, 1990, and 1991, allocate 66 percent of the remainder of the authorization for forest highways provided for such fiscal year by this Act [see Short Title of 1987 Amendment note set out under section 101 of this title] in the same percentage as the amounts allocated for expenditure in each State and the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico from funds authorized for forest highways for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1958, adjusted (1) to eliminate the 0.003243547 percent for the State of Iowa to the State by deed executed May 26, 1964, and (2) to redistribute the percentage formerly apportioned to the State of Iowa to other participating States on a proportional basis. The remaining funds authorized to be appropriated for forest highways for such fiscal year shall be allocated pursuant to section 202(a) of such title.”

§ 203. Availability of funds

Funds authorized for forest development roads and trails, public lands development roads and trails, park road, parkways, refuge roads, Indian reservation roads, and public lands highways shall be available for contract upon apportionment, or on October 1, of the fiscal year for which authorized if no apportionment is required. Any amount remaining unexpended for a period of three years after the close of the fiscal year for which authorized shall lapse. The Secretary of the Department charged with the administration of such funds is granted authority to incur obligations, approve projects, and enter into contracts under such authorizations and his action in doing so shall be deemed a contractual obligation of the United States for the payment of the cost thereof and such funds shall be deemed to have been expended when so obligated. Any funds heretofore or hereafter authorized for any fiscal year for forest development roads and trails, public lands development roads and trails, park road, parkways, refuge roads, Indian roads, and public lands highways shall be deemed to have been expended if a sum equal to the total of the sums authorized for such fiscal year and previous fiscal years since and including the fiscal year ending June 30, 1955, shall have been obligated. Any of such funds released by payment of final voucher or modification of project authorizations shall be credited to the balance of unobligated authorizations and be immediately available for expenditure. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the authorization by the Secretary of engineering and related work for a Federal lands highways program project, or the approval by the Secretary of plans, specifications, and estimates for construction of a Federal lands highways program project, shall be deemed to constitute a contractual obligation of the Federal Government to pay the Federal share of the cost of the project.

(Pub. L. 85-767, Aug. 27, 1958, 72 Stat. 906; Pub. L. 86-657, §8(b), July 14, 1960, 74 Stat. 524; Pub. L. 87-866, §7, Oct. 23, 1962, 76 Stat. 1147; Pub. L. 94-280, title I, §117(b), May 5, 1976, 90 Stat. 437; Pub. L. 97-424, title I, §126(f), Jan. 6, 1983, 96

Stat. 2116; Pub. L. 102-240, title I, §1032(f), Dec. 18, 1991, 105 Stat. 1975; Pub. L. 105-178, title I, §1115(c), (e)(3), June 9, 1998, 112 Stat. 156, 158.)

AMENDMENTS

1998—Pub. L. 105-178 substituted “for forest development roads and trails” for “for, forest development roads and trails” in two places, inserted “refuge roads,” after “parkways,” in two places, and inserted at end “Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the authorization by the Secretary of engineering and related work for a Federal lands highways program project, or the approval by the Secretary of plans, specifications, and estimates for construction of a Federal lands highways program project, shall be deemed to constitute a contractual obligation of the Federal Government to pay the Federal share of the cost of the project.”

1991—Pub. L. 102-240 struck out “forest highways” before “, forest development roads” in two places.

1983—Pub. L. 97-424 substituted “park road” for “park roads and trails” wherever appearing.

1976—Pub. L. 94-280 substituted “or on October 1” for “or a date not earlier than one year preceding the beginning” in first sentence and “three years” for “two years” in second sentence.

1962—Pub. L. 87-866 inserted “public lands development roads and trails,” before “park roads and trails” in two places.

1960—Pub. L. 86-657 substituted “Funds authorized” for “Funds now authorized” in first sentence.

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1991 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 102-240 effective Dec. 18, 1991, and applicable to funds authorized to be appropriated or made available after Sept. 30, 1991, and, with certain exceptions, not applicable to funds appropriated or made available on or before Sept. 30, 1991, see section 1100 of Pub. L. 102-240, set out as a note under section 104 of this title.

§ 204. Federal Lands Highways Program

(a) ESTABLISHMENT.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Recognizing the need for all Federal roads that are public roads to be treated under uniform policies similar to the policies that apply to Federal-aid highways, there is established a coordinated Federal lands highways program that shall apply to public lands highways, park roads and parkways, refuge roads, and Indian reservation roads and bridges.

(2) TRANSPORTATION PLANNING PROCEDURES.—In consultation with the Secretary of each appropriate Federal land management agency, the Secretary shall develop, by rule, transportation planning procedures that are consistent with the metropolitan and statewide planning processes required under sections 134 and 135.

(3) APPROVAL OF TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM.—The transportation improvement program developed as a part of the transportation planning process under this section shall be approved by the Secretary.

(4) INCLUSION IN OTHER PLANS.—All regionally significant Federal lands highways program projects—

(A) shall be developed in cooperation with States and metropolitan planning organizations; and

(B) shall be included in appropriate Federal lands highways program, State, and metropolitan plans and transportation improvement programs.

(5) INCLUSION IN STATE PROGRAMS.—The approved Federal lands highways program transportation improvement program shall be included in appropriate State and metropolitan planning organization plans and programs without further action on the transportation improvement program.

(6) DEVELOPMENT OF SYSTEMS.—The Secretary and the Secretary of each appropriate Federal land management agency shall, to the extent appropriate, develop by rule safety, bridge, pavement, and congestion management systems for roads funded under the Federal lands highways program.

(b) USE OF FUNDS.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Funds made available for public lands highways, park roads and parkways, and Indian reservation roads shall be used by the Secretary and the Secretary of the appropriate Federal land management agency to pay the cost of—

(A) transportation planning, research, and engineering and construction of, highways, roads, parkways, and transit facilities located on public lands, national parks, and Indian reservations; and

(B) operation and maintenance of transit facilities located on public lands, national parks, and Indian reservations.

(2) CONTRACT.—In connection with an activity described in paragraph (1), the Secretary and the Secretary of the appropriate Federal land management agency may enter into a contract or other appropriate agreement with respect to such activity with—

(A) a State (including a political subdivision of a State); or

(B) an Indian tribe.

(3) INDIAN RESERVATION ROADS.—In the case of an Indian reservation road—

(A) Indian labor may be employed, in accordance with such rules and regulations as may be promulgated by the Secretary of the Interior, to carry out any construction or other activity described in paragraph (1); and

(B) funds made available to carry out this section may be used to pay bridge preconstruction costs (including planning, design, and engineering).

(4) FEDERAL EMPLOYMENT.—No maximum limitation on Federal employment shall be applicable to construction or improvement of Indian reservation roads.

(5) AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS.—Funds made available under this section for each class of Federal lands highways shall be available for any transportation project eligible for assistance under this title that is within or adjacent to, or that provides access to, the areas served by the particular class of Federal lands highways.

(6) RESERVATION OF FUNDS.—The Secretary of the Interior may reserve funds from administrative funds of the Bureau of Indian Affairs that are associated with the Indian reservation roads program to finance Indian technical centers under section 504(b).

(c) Before approving as a project on an Indian reservation road any project eligible for funds

apportioned under section 104 or section 144 of this title in a State, the Secretary must determine that the obligation of funds for such project is supplementary to and not in lieu of the obligation, for projects on Indian reservation roads, of a fair and equitable share of funds apportioned to such State under section 104 of this title. Notwithstanding any other provision of this title, of the amount of funds allocated for Indian reservation roads from the Highway Trust Fund, not more than 25 percent of the funds allocated to an Indian tribe may be expended for the purpose of maintenance, excluding road sealing which shall not be subject to any limitation. The Bureau of Indian Affairs shall continue to retain primary responsibility, including annual funding request responsibility, for road maintenance programs on Indian reservations. The Secretary shall ensure that funding made available under this subsection for maintenance of Indian reservation roads for each fiscal year is supplementary to and not in lieu of any obligation of funds by the Bureau of Indian Affairs for road maintenance programs on Indian reservations.

(d) Cooperation of States, counties, or other local subdivisions may be accepted in construction and improvement, and any funds received from a State, county, or local subdivision shall be credited to appropriations available for the class of Federal lands highways to which such funds were contributed.

(e) Construction of each project shall be performed by contract awarded by competitive bidding, unless the Secretary or the Secretary of the appropriate Federal land management agency shall affirmatively find that, under the circumstances relating to such project, some other method is in the public interest. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the provisions of section 23 of the "Buy Indian" Act of June 25, 1910 (36 Stat. 891), and the provisions of section 7(b) of the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act (88 Stat. 2205) shall apply to all funds administered by the Secretary of the Interior which are appropriated for the construction and improvement of Indian reservation roads.

(f) All appropriations for the construction and improvement of each class of Federal lands highways shall be administered in conformity with regulations and agreements jointly approved by the Secretary and the Secretary of the appropriate Federal land managing agency.

(g) The Secretary shall transfer to the Secretary of Agriculture from appropriations for forest highways such amounts as may be needed to cover necessary administrative expenses of the Forest Service in connection with forest highways.

(h) ELIGIBLE PROJECTS.—Funds available for each class of Federal lands highways may be available for the following:

(1) Transportation planning for tourism and recreational travel including the National Forest Scenic Byways Program, Bureau of Land Management Back Country Byways Program, National Trail System Program, and other similar Federal programs that benefit recreational development.

(2) Adjacent vehicular parking areas.

(3) Interpretive signage.

(4) Acquisition of necessary scenic easements and scenic or historic sites.

(5) Provision for pedestrians and bicycles.

(6) Construction and reconstruction of roadside rest areas including sanitary and water facilities.

(7) Other appropriate public road facilities such as visitor centers as determined by the Secretary.

(8) A project to build a replacement of the federally owned bridge over the Hoover Dam in the Lake Mead National Recreation Area between Nevada and Arizona.

(i) TRANSFERS OF COSTS TO SECRETARIES OF FEDERAL LAND MANAGEMENT AGENCIES.—

(1) ADMINISTRATIVE COSTS.—The Secretary shall transfer to the appropriate Federal land management agency from amounts made available for public lands highways such amounts as are necessary to pay necessary administrative costs of the agency in connection with public lands highways.

(2) TRANSPORTATION PLANNING COSTS.—The Secretary shall transfer to the appropriate Federal land management agency from amounts made available for public lands highways such amounts as are necessary to pay the cost to the agency to conduct necessary transportation planning for Federal lands, if funding for the planning is not otherwise provided under this section.

(j) INDIAN RESERVATION ROADS PLANNING.—Up to 2 percent of funds made available for Indian reservation roads for each fiscal year shall be allocated to those Indian tribal governments applying for transportation planning pursuant to the provisions of the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act. The Indian tribal government, in cooperation with the Secretary of the Interior, and as appropriate, with a State, local government, or metropolitan planning organization, shall carry out a transportation planning process in accordance with subsection (a). Projects shall be selected by the Indian tribal government from the transportation improvement program and shall be subject to the approval of the Secretary of the Interior and the Secretary.

(k) REFUGE ROADS.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Notwithstanding any other provision of this title, funds made available for refuge roads shall be used by the Secretary and the Secretary of the Interior only to pay the cost of—

(A) maintenance and improvements of refuge roads;

(B) maintenance and improvements of eligible projects described in paragraphs (2), (3), (5), and (6) of subsection (h) that are located in or adjacent to wildlife refuges;

(C) administrative costs associated with such maintenance and improvements;

(D) the non-Federal share of the cost of any project funded under this title or chapter 53 of title 49 that provides access to or within a wildlife refuge; and

(E) maintenance and improvement of recreational trails; except that expenditures on trails under this subparagraph shall not exceed 5 percent of available funds for each fiscal year.

(2) **CONTRACTS.**—In carrying out paragraph (1), the Secretary and the Secretary of the Interior, as appropriate, may enter into contracts with a State or civil subdivision of a State or Indian tribe as is determined advisable.

(3) **COMPLIANCE WITH OTHER LAW.**—Funds made available for refuge roads shall be used only for projects that are in compliance with the National Wildlife Refuge System Administration Act of 1966 (16 U.S.C. 668dd et seq.).

(I) **TRIBAL-STATE ROAD MAINTENANCE AGREEMENTS.**—

(1) **IN GENERAL.**—An Indian tribe and a State may enter into a road maintenance agreement under which an Indian tribe assumes the responsibilities of the State for—

- (A) Indian reservation roads; and
- (B) roads providing access to Indian reservation roads.

(2) **TRIBAL-STATE AGREEMENTS.**—Agreements entered into under paragraph (1)—

- (A) shall be negotiated between the State and the Indian tribe; and
- (B) shall not require the approval of the Secretary.

(3) **ANNUAL REPORT.**—Effective beginning with fiscal year 2005, the Secretary shall prepare and submit to Congress an annual report that identifies—

- (A) the Indian tribes and States that have entered into agreements under paragraph (1);
- (B) the number of miles of roads for which Indian tribes have assumed maintenance responsibilities; and
- (C) the amount of funding transferred to Indian tribes for the fiscal year under agreements entered into under paragraph (1).

(Pub. L. 85-767, Aug. 27, 1958, 72 Stat. 907; Pub. L. 97-424, title I, § 126(b), Jan. 6, 1983, 96 Stat. 2114; Pub. L. 100-17, title I, § 133(b)(13), (14), Apr. 2, 1987, 101 Stat. 172; Pub. L. 102-240, title I, §§ 1030, 1032(b), title VI, § 6004(c), Dec. 18, 1991, 105 Stat. 1970, 1974, 2169; Pub. L. 105-178, title I, § 1115(d), (e)(4), title V, § 5119(a), June 9, 1998, 112 Stat. 156, 158, 452; Pub. L. 109-59, title I, § 1119(h)-(k), Aug. 10, 2005, 119 Stat. 1187-1189.)

REFERENCES IN TEXT

Section 23 of the “Buy Indian” Act of June 25, 1910 (36 Stat. 861), referred to in subsec. (e), is classified to section 47 of Title 25, Indians.

The Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act, referred to in subsec. (j), is Pub. L. 93-638, Jan. 4, 1975, 88 Stat. 2203, as amended, which is classified principally to subchapter II (§ 450 et seq.) of chapter 14 of Title 25, Indians. Section 7(b) of the Act is classified to section 450e(b) of Title 25. For complete classification of this Act to the Code, see Short Title note set out under section 450 of Title 25 and Tables.

The National Wildlife Refuge System Administration Act of 1966, referred to in subsec. (k)(3), consists of sections 4 and 5 of Pub. L. 89-699, Oct. 15, 1966, 80 Stat. 927, as amended, and is classified to sections 668dd and 668ee of Title 16, Conservation. For further details, see Short Title note set out under section 668dd of Title 16.

AMENDMENTS

2005—Subsec. (a)(1). Pub. L. 109-59, § 1119(h)(1), inserted “refuge roads,” after “parkways.”

Subsec. (b). Pub. L. 109-59, § 1119(h)(2), added subsec. (b) and struck out former subsec. (b) which related to use of funds available for public lands highways, park roads and parkways, and Indian reservation roads.

Subsec. (c). Pub. L. 109-59, § 1119(i), substituted “Notwithstanding any other provision of this title, of the amount of funds allocated for Indian reservation roads from the Highway Trust Fund, not more than 25 percent of the funds allocated to an Indian tribe may be expended for the purpose of maintenance, excluding road sealing which shall not be subject to any limitation. The Bureau of Indian Affairs shall continue to retain primary responsibility, including annual funding request responsibility, for road maintenance programs on Indian reservations. The Secretary shall ensure that funding made available under this subsection for maintenance of Indian reservation roads for each fiscal year is supplementary to and not in lieu of any obligation of funds by the Bureau of Indian Affairs for road maintenance programs on Indian reservations.” for “Notwithstanding any other provision of this title, Indian reservation roads under the jurisdiction of the Bureau of Indian Affairs of the Department of the Interior shall be eligible to expend not more than 15 percent funds apportioned for Indian reservation roads from the Highway Trust Fund for the purpose of road sealing projects. The Bureau of Indian Affairs shall continue to retain responsibility, including annual funding request responsibility, for road maintenance programs on Indian reservations.”

Subsec. (k)(1)(B). Pub. L. 109-59, § 1119(j)(1)(A), substituted “(2), (3), (5),” for “(2), (5).”

Subsec. (k)(1)(D), (E). Pub. L. 109-59, § 1119(j)(1)(B), (2), (3), added subpars. (D) and (E).

Subsec. (l). Pub. L. 109-59, § 1119(k), added subsec. (l). 1998—Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 105-178, § 1115(d)(1), added subsec. (a) and struck out former subsec. (a) which read as follows: “Recognizing the need for all Federal roads which are public roads to be treated under the same uniform policies as roads which are on the Federal-aid systems, there is established a coordinated Federal lands highways program which shall consist of the public lands highways, park roads, parkways, and Indian reservation roads as defined in section 101 of this title. The Secretary, in cooperation with the Secretary of the Interior and the Secretary of Agriculture, shall develop appropriate transportation planning procedures and safety, bridge, and pavement management systems for roads funded under the Federal Lands Highway Program. Notwithstanding any other provision of this title, no public lands highway project may be undertaken in any State pursuant to this section unless the State concurs in the selection and planning of the project.”

Subsec. (b). Pub. L. 105-178, §§ 1115(d)(2), 5119(a), substituted “Funds available for public lands highways, park roads and parkways, and Indian reservation roads shall be used by the Secretary and the Secretary of the appropriate Federal land management agency to pay for the cost of transportation planning, research, engineering, and construction of the highways, roads, and parkways, or of transit facilities within public lands, national parks, and Indian reservations. In connection with activities under the preceding sentence, the Secretary and the Secretary of the appropriate Federal land management agency may enter into construction contracts and other appropriate contracts with a State or civil subdivision of a State or Indian tribe.” for “Funds available for public lands highways shall be used by the Secretary to pay for the cost of planning, research, engineering and construction thereof. Funds available for park roads, parkways, and Indian reservation roads shall be used by the Secretary or the Secretary of the Interior to pay for the cost of construction and improvement thereof. In connection therewith, the Secretary and the Secretary of the Interior, as appropriate, may enter into construction contracts and such other contracts with a State or civil subdivision thereof or Indian tribe as deemed advisable.” and “section 504(b)” for “section 326”.

Subsec. (e). Pub. L. 105-178, §1115(d)(3), substituted "Secretary of the appropriate Federal land management agency" for "Secretary of the Interior" in first sentence.

Subsec. (h)(8). Pub. L. 105-178, §1115(d)(4), added par. (8).

Subsec. (i). Pub. L. 105-178, §1115(d)(5), added subsec. (i) and struck out heading and text of former subsec. (i). Text read as follows: "The Secretary shall transfer to the Secretary of the Interior from the appropriation for public land highways amounts as may be needed to cover necessary administrative costs of the Bureau of Land Management in connection with public lands highways."

Subsec. (j). Pub. L. 105-178, §1115(d)(6), substituted second sentence for former second sentence which read as follows: "The Indian tribal government, in cooperation with the Secretary of the Interior, and, as may be appropriate, with a State, local government, or metropolitan planning organization, shall develop a transportation improvement program, that includes all Indian reservation road projects proposed for funding."

Subsec. (k). Pub. L. 105-178, §1115(e)(4), added subsec. (k).

1991—Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 102-240, §1032(b)(1), struck out "forest highways," before "public lands highways" and inserted provisions requiring Secretary, in cooperation with Secretaries of the Interior and Agriculture, to develop transportation planning procedures and safety, bridge, and pavement management systems for roads funded under Federal Lands Highway Program, and provisions prohibiting public lands highway projects from being undertaken in any State pursuant to this section unless State concurs in selection and planning of project.

Subsec. (b). Pub. L. 102-240, §6004(c), inserted at end "The Secretary of Interior may reserve funds from the Bureau of Indian Affairs' administrative funds associated with the Indian reservation roads program to finance the Indian technical centers authorized under section 326."

Pub. L. 102-240, §1032(b)(2)(B), (C), struck out "forest highways and" before "public lands highways" and inserted at end "Funds available for each class of Federal lands highways shall be available for any kind of transportation project eligible for assistance under this title that is within or adjacent to or provides access to the areas served by the particular class of Federal lands highways."

Pub. L. 102-240, §1032(b)(2)(A), substituted "planning, research, engineering and construction thereof" for "construction and improvements thereof" and was executed by making the substitution for the first reference to "construction and improvement thereof" to reflect the probable intent of Congress.

Subsec. (c). Pub. L. 102-240, §§1030, 1032(b)(3), substituted "eligible for funds apportioned under section 104 or section 144 of this title" for "on a Federal-aid system" and inserted at end "Notwithstanding any other provision of this title, Indian reservation roads under the jurisdiction of the Bureau of Indian Affairs of the Department of the Interior shall be eligible to expend not more than 15 percent funds apportioned for Indian reservation roads from the Highway Trust Fund for the purpose of road sealing projects. The Bureau of Indian Affairs shall continue to retain responsibility, including annual funding request responsibility, for road maintenance programs on Indian reservations."

Subsecs. (h) to (j). Pub. L. 102-240, §1032(b)(4), added subsecs. (h) to (j) and struck out former subsec. (h) which read as follows: "Funds available for each class of Federal lands highways shall be available for adjacent vehicular parking areas and scenic easements."

1987—Subsec. (b). Pub. L. 100-17, §133(b)(13), inserted "the Secretary or" after "used by" in second sentence.

Subsec. (e). Pub. L. 100-17, §133(b)(14), struck out "of 1975" after "Education Assistance Act".

1983—Pub. L. 97-424 substituted "Federal Lands Highways Program" for "Forest highways" in section catchline.

Subsecs. (a), (b). Pub. L. 97-424 added subsec. (a), redesignated former subsec. (a) as (b), inserted reference to public lands highways, inserted "and improvement" after "construction", inserted reference to reservations, Indian tribes, and the Secretary of the Interior, and inserted provision that funds available for park roads, parkways, and Indian reservation roads shall be used by the Secretary of the Interior to pay for the cost of construction and improvement thereof. Former subsec. (b) redesignated (d).

Subsec. (c). Pub. L. 97-424 added subsec. (c). Former subsec. (c) redesignated (e).

Subsec. (d). Pub. L. 97-424 redesignated former subsec. (b) as (d) and substituted provision that cooperation may be accepted in construction and improvement, and that any funds received from a State, county, or local subdivision be credited to appropriations available for the class of Federal lands highways to which such funds were contributed, for provision that cooperation may be accepted but may not be required by the Secretary. Former subsec. (d) redesignated (f).

Subsec. (e). Pub. L. 97-424 redesignated former subsec. (c) as (e) and substituted provisions relating to competitive bidding and preference for Indians for provisions that construction estimated to cost \$5,000 or more per mile, exclusive of bridges, was to be advertised and let to contract, that if such estimated cost was less than \$5,000 per mile or if, after proper advertising, no acceptable bid was received or the bids deemed excessive, the work might be done by the Secretary on his own account, and that for such purpose, the Secretary might purchase, lease, hire, rent, or otherwise obtain all necessary supplies, materials, tools, equipment, and facilities required to perform the work, and might pay wages, salaries, and other expenses for help employed in connection with such work. Former subsec. (e) redesignated (g).

Subsec. (f). Pub. L. 97-424 redesignated former subsec. (d) as (f), inserted reference to each class of Federal lands highways and to agreements, and substituted reference to the Secretary of the appropriate Federal land management agency for reference to the Secretary of Agriculture. Former subsec. (f) redesignated (h).

Subsec. (g). Pub. L. 97-424 redesignated former subsec. (e) as (g) and substituted "forest highways" for "forest-highway program".

Subsec. (h). Pub. L. 97-424 redesignated former subsec. (f) as (h), substituted reference to each class of Federal lands highways for reference to forest highways, and reference to scenic easements for reference to sanitary, water, and fire control facilities.

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1991 AMENDMENT

Amendment by sections 1030 and 1032 of Pub. L. 102-240 effective Dec. 18, 1991, and applicable to funds authorized to be appropriated or made available after Sept. 30, 1991, and, with certain exceptions, not applicable to funds appropriated or made available on or before Sept. 30, 1991, see section 1100 of Pub. L. 102-240, set out as a note under section 104 of this title.

§ 205. Forest development roads and trails

(a) Funds available for forest development roads and trails shall be used by the Secretary of Agriculture to pay for the costs of construction and maintenance thereof, including roads and trails on experimental and other areas under Forest Service administration. In connection therewith, the Secretary of Agriculture may enter into contracts with a State or civil subdivision thereof, and issue such regulations as he deems advisable.

(b) Cooperation of States, counties, or other local subdivisions may be accepted but shall not be required by the Secretary of Agriculture.

(c) Construction estimated to cost \$50,000 or more per mile or \$50,000 or more per project for

projects with a length of less than one mile, exclusive of bridges and engineering, shall be advertised and let to contract. If such estimated cost is less than \$50,000 per mile or \$50,000 per project for projects with a length of less than one mile or if, after proper advertising, no acceptable bid is received or the bids are deemed excessive, the work may be done by the Secretary of Agriculture on his own account.

(d) Funds available for forest development roads and trails shall be available for adjacent vehicular parking areas and for sanitary, water, and fire control facilities.

(Pub. L. 85-767, Aug. 27, 1958, 72 Stat. 907; Pub. L. 86-657, §8(c), July 14, 1960, 74 Stat. 524; Pub. L. 88-423, §4(d), Aug. 13, 1964, 78 Stat. 398; Pub. L. 90-495, §9, Aug. 23, 1968, 82 Stat. 820; Pub. L. 102-240, title I, §1032(c), Dec. 18, 1991, 105 Stat. 1975.)

AMENDMENTS

1991—Subsec. (c). Pub. L. 102-240 substituted “\$50,000” for “\$15,000” wherever appearing.

1968—Subsec. (c). Pub. L. 90-495 increased from \$10,000 to \$15,000 the cost limitation on construction per mile, or per project for projects of less than a mile, which the Forest Service may construct on its own account and struck out provisions spelling out the functions which the Secretary of Agriculture is authorized to perform in carrying out such construction.

1964—Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 88-423 inserted “and other” after “experimental”.

1960—Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 86-657 substituted “may enter into contracts” for “may enter into construction contracts”.

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1991 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 102-240 effective Dec. 18, 1991, and applicable to funds authorized to be appropriated or made available after Sept. 30, 1991, and, with certain exceptions, not applicable to funds appropriated or made available on or before Sept. 30, 1991, see section 1100 of Pub. L. 102-240, set out as a note under section 104 of this title.

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1968 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 90-495 effective Aug. 23, 1968, see section 37 of Pub. L. 90-495, set out as a note under section 101 of this title.

§ 206. Recreational trails program

(a) DEFINITIONS.—In this section, the following definitions apply:

(1) **MOTORIZED RECREATION.**—The term “motorized recreation” means off-road recreation using any motor-powered vehicle, except for a motorized wheelchair.

(2) **RECREATIONAL TRAIL.**—The term “recreational trail” means a thoroughfare or track across land or snow, used for recreational purposes such as—

(A) pedestrian activities, including wheelchair use;

(B) skating or skateboarding;

(C) equestrian activities, including carriage driving;

(D) nonmotorized snow trail activities, including skiing;

(E) bicycling or use of other human-powered vehicles;

(F) aquatic or water activities; and

(G) motorized vehicular activities, including all-terrain vehicle riding, motorcycling,

snowmobiling, use of off-road light trucks, or use of other off-road motorized vehicles.

(b) **PROGRAM.**—In accordance with this section, the Secretary, in consultation with the Secretary of the Interior and the Secretary of Agriculture, shall carry out a program to provide and maintain recreational trails.

(c) **STATE RESPONSIBILITIES.**—To be eligible for apportionments under this section—

(1) the Governor of the State shall designate the State agency or agencies that will be responsible for administering apportionments made to the State under this section; and

(2) the State shall establish a State recreational trail advisory committee that represents both motorized and nonmotorized recreational trail users, which shall meet not less often than once per fiscal year.

(d) **USE OF APPORTIONED FUNDS.**—

(1) **IN GENERAL.**—Funds apportioned to a State to carry out this section shall be obligated for recreational trails and related projects that—

(A) have been planned and developed under the laws, policies, and administrative procedures of the State; and

(B) are identified in, or further a specific goal of, a recreational trail plan, or a statewide comprehensive outdoor recreation plan required by the Land and Water Conservation Fund Act of 1965 (16 U.S.C. 4601-4 et seq.), that is in effect.

(2) **PERMISSIBLE USES.**—Permissible uses of funds apportioned to a State for a fiscal year to carry out this section include—

(A) maintenance and restoration of existing recreational trails;

(B) development and rehabilitation of trailside and trailhead facilities and trail linkages for recreational trails;

(C) purchase and lease of recreational trail construction and maintenance equipment;

(D) construction of new recreational trails, except that, in the case of new recreational trails crossing Federal lands, construction of the trails shall be—

(i) permissible under other law;

(ii) necessary and recommended by a statewide comprehensive outdoor recreation plan that is required by the Land and Water Conservation Fund Act of 1965 (16 U.S.C. 4601-4 et seq.) and that is in effect;

(iii) approved by the administering agency of the State designated under subsection (c)(1); and

(iv) approved by each Federal agency having jurisdiction over the affected lands under such terms and conditions as the head of the Federal agency determines to be appropriate, except that the approval shall be contingent on compliance by the Federal agency with all applicable laws, including the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (42 U.S.C. 4321 et seq.), the Forest and Rangeland Renewable Resources Planning Act of 1974 (16 U.S.C. 1600 et seq.), and the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976 (43 U.S.C. 1701 et seq.);

(E) acquisition of easements and fee simple title to property for recreational trails or recreational trail corridors;

(F) assessment of trail conditions for accessibility and maintenance;

(G) development and dissemination of publications and operation of educational programs to promote safety and environmental protection, (as those objectives relate to one or more of the use of recreational trails, supporting non-law enforcement trail safety and trail use monitoring patrol programs, and providing trail-related training), but in an amount not to exceed 5 percent of the apportionment made to the State for the fiscal year; and

(H) payment of costs to the State incurred in administering the program, but in an amount not to exceed 7 percent of the apportionment made to the State for the fiscal year.

(3) USE OF APPORTIONMENTS.—

(A) IN GENERAL.—Except as provided in subparagraphs (B) and (C), of the apportionments made to a State for a fiscal year to carry out this section—

(i) 40 percent shall be used for recreational trail or related projects that facilitate diverse recreational trail use within a recreational trail corridor, trailside, or trailhead, regardless of whether the project is for diverse motorized use, for diverse nonmotorized use, or to accommodate both motorized and nonmotorized recreational trail use;

(ii) 30 percent shall be used for uses relating to motorized recreation; and

(iii) 30 percent shall be used for uses relating to nonmotorized recreation.

(B) SMALL STATE EXCLUSION.—Any State with a total land area of less than 3,500,000 acres shall be exempt from the requirements of clauses (ii) and (iii) of subparagraph (A).

(C) STATE ADMINISTRATIVE COSTS.—State administrative costs eligible for funding under paragraph (2)(H) shall be exempt from the requirements of subparagraph (A).

(4) GRANTS.—

(A) IN GENERAL.—A State may use funds apportioned to the State to carry out this section to make grants to private organizations, municipal, county, State, and Federal Government entities, and other government entities as approved by the State after considering guidance from the State recreational trail advisory committee established under subsection (c)(2), for uses consistent with this section.

(B) COMPLIANCE.—A State that makes grants under subparagraph (A) shall establish measures to verify that recipients of the grants comply with the conditions of the program for the use of grant funds.

(e) ENVIRONMENTAL BENEFIT OR MITIGATION.—To the extent practicable and consistent with the other requirements of this section, a State should give consideration to project proposals that provide for the redesign, reconstruction, nonroutine maintenance, or relocation of rec-

reational trails to benefit the natural environment or to mitigate and minimize the impact to the natural environment.

(f) FEDERAL SHARE.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Subject to the other provisions of this subsection, the Federal share of the cost of a project and the Federal share of the administrative costs of a State under this section shall be determined in accordance with section 120(b).

(2) FEDERAL AGENCY PROJECT SPONSOR.—Notwithstanding any other provision of law, a Federal agency that sponsors a project under this section may contribute additional Federal funds toward the cost of a project, except that—

(A) the share attributable to the Secretary of Transportation may not exceed the amount determined in accordance with section 120(b) for the cost of a project under this section; and

(B) the share attributable to the Secretary and the Federal agency sponsoring the project may not exceed 95 percent of the cost of a project under this section.

(3) USE OF FUNDS FROM FEDERAL PROGRAMS TO PROVIDE NON-FEDERAL SHARE.—Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the non-Federal share of the cost of the project may include amounts made available by the Federal Government under any Federal program that are—

(A) expended in accordance with the requirements of the Federal program relating to activities funded and populations served; and

(B) expended on a project that is eligible for assistance under this section.

(4) USE OF RECREATIONAL TRAILS PROGRAM FUNDS TO MATCH OTHER FEDERAL PROGRAM FUNDS.—Notwithstanding any other provision of law, funds made available under this section may be used toward the non-Federal matching share for other Federal program funds that are—

(A) expended in accordance with the requirements of the Federal program relating to activities funded and populations served; and

(B) expended on a project that is eligible for assistance under this section.

(5) PROGRAMMATIC NON-FEDERAL SHARE.—A State may allow adjustments to the non-Federal share of an individual project for a fiscal year under this section if the Federal share of the cost of all projects carried out by the State under the program (excluding projects funded under paragraph (2) or (3)) using funds apportioned to the State for the fiscal year does not exceed the Federal share as determined in accordance with section 120(b).

(g) USES NOT PERMITTED.—A State may not obligate funds apportioned to carry out this section for—

(1) condemnation of any kind of interest in property;

(2) construction of any recreational trail on National Forest System land for any motorized use unless—

(A) the land has been designated for uses other than wilderness by an approved forest land and resource management plan or has been released to uses other than wilderness by an Act of Congress; and

(B) the construction is otherwise consistent with the management direction in the approved forest land and resource management plan;

(3) construction of any recreational trail on Bureau of Land Management land for any motorized use unless the land—

(A) has been designated for uses other than wilderness by an approved Bureau of Land Management resource management plan or has been released to uses other than wilderness by an Act of Congress; and

(B) the construction is otherwise consistent with the management direction in the approved management plan; or

(4) upgrading, expanding, or otherwise facilitating motorized use or access to recreational trails predominantly used by nonmotorized recreational trail users and on which, as of May 1, 1991, motorized use was prohibited or had not occurred.

(h) PROJECT ADMINISTRATION.—

(1) CREDIT FOR DONATIONS OF FUNDS, MATERIALS, SERVICES, OR NEW RIGHT-OF-WAY.—

(A) IN GENERAL.—Nothing in this title or other law shall prevent a project sponsor from offering to donate funds, materials, services, or a new right-of-way for the purposes of a project eligible for assistance under this section. Any funds, or the fair market value of any materials, services, or new right-of-way, may be donated by any project sponsor and shall be credited to the non-Federal share in accordance with subsection (f).

(B) FEDERAL PROJECT SPONSORS.—Any funds or the fair market value of any materials or services may be provided by a Federal project sponsor and shall be credited to the Federal agency's share in accordance with subsection (f).

(C) PLANNING AND ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT COSTS INCURRED PRIOR TO PROJECT APPROVAL.—The Secretary may allow preapproval planning and environmental compliance costs to be credited toward the non-Federal share of the cost of a project described in subsection (d)(2) (other than subparagraph (H)) in accordance with subsection (f), limited to costs incurred less than 18 months prior to project approval.

(2) RECREATIONAL PURPOSE.—A project funded under this section is intended to enhance recreational opportunity and is not subject to section 138 of this title or section 303 of title 49.

(3) CONTINUING RECREATIONAL USE.—At the option of each State, funds apportioned to the State to carry out this section may be treated as Land and Water Conservation Fund apportionments for the purposes of section 6(f)(3) of the Land and Water Conservation Fund Act of 1965 (16 U.S.C. 460l–8(f)(3)).

(4) COOPERATION BY PRIVATE PERSONS.—

(A) WRITTEN ASSURANCES.—As a condition of making available apportionments for work on recreational trails that would affect privately owned land, a State shall obtain written assurances that the owner of the land will cooperate with the State and participate as necessary in the activities to be conducted.

(B) PUBLIC ACCESS.—Any use of the apportionments to a State to carry out this section on privately owned land must be accompanied by an easement or other legally binding agreement that ensures public access to the recreational trail improvements funded by the apportionments.

(i) CONTRACT AUTHORITY.—Funds authorized to carry out this section shall be available for obligation in the same manner as if the funds were apportioned under chapter 1, except that the Federal share of the cost of a project under this section shall be determined in accordance with this section.

(Added Pub. L. 105–178, title I, §1112(a), June 9, 1998, 112 Stat. 146; amended Pub. L. 109–59, title I, §1109(b)–(e), Aug. 10, 2005, 119 Stat. 1168–1170; Pub. L. 110–244, title I, §101(q), June 6, 2008, 122 Stat. 1576.)

REFERENCES IN TEXT

The Land and Water Conservation Fund Act of 1965, referred to in subsec. (d)(1)(B), (2)(D)(ii), is Pub. L. 88–578, Sept. 3, 1964, 78 Stat. 897, as amended, which is classified generally to part B (§460l–4 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 460l–4 of Title 16 and Tables.

The National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, referred to in subsec. (d)(2)(D)(iv), is Pub. L. 91–190, Jan. 1, 1970, 83 Stat. 852, as amended, which is classified generally to chapter 55 (§4321 et seq.) of Title 42, The Public Health and Welfare. For complete classification of this Act to the Code, see Short Title note set out under section 4321 of Title 42 and Tables.

The Forest and Rangeland Renewable Resources Planning Act of 1974, referred to in subsec. (d)(2)(D)(iv), is Pub. L. 93–378, Aug. 17, 1974, 88 Stat. 476, as amended, which is classified generally to subchapter I (§1600 et seq.) of chapter 36 of Title 16, Conservation. For complete classification of this Act to the Code, see Short Title note set out under section 1600 of Title 16 and Tables.

The Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976, referred to in subsec. (d)(2)(D)(iv), 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.

PRIOR PROVISIONS

A prior section 206, Pub. L. 85–767, Aug. 27, 1958, 72 Stat. 908, provided for use of funds for construction and improvement of park roads and trails and for administration of such funds according to regulations jointly approved by the Secretary and the Secretary of the Interior, prior to repeal by Pub. L. 97–424, title I, §126(d), Jan. 6, 1983, 96 Stat. 2115.

AMENDMENTS

2008—Subsec. (d)(3)(A). Pub. L. 110–244 substituted “(B) and (C)” for “(B), (C), and (D)” in introductory provisions.

2005—Subsec. (d)(2). Pub. L. 109–59, §1109(b), amended par. (2) generally. Prior to amendment, par. (2) con-

sisted of subpars. (A) to (G) relating to permissible uses of funds apportioned to carry out this section.

Subsec. (d)(3)(C), (D). Pub. L. 109-59, §1109(c), redesignated subpar. (D) as (C), substituted “(2)(H)” for “(2)(F)”, and struck out heading and text of former subpar. (C). Text read as follows: “A State recreational trail advisory committee established under subsection (c)(2) may waive, in whole or in part, the requirements of clauses (ii) and (iii) of subparagraph (A) if the State recreational trail advisory committee determines and notifies the Secretary that the State does not have sufficient projects to meet the requirements of clauses (ii) and (iii) of subparagraph (A).”

Subsec. (f)(1). Pub. L. 109-59, §1109(d)(1), inserted “and the Federal share of the administrative costs of a State” after “project” and substituted “be determined in accordance with section 120(b)” for “not exceed 80 percent”.

Subsec. (f)(2)(A). Pub. L. 109-59, §1109(d)(2), substituted “the amount determined in accordance with section 120(b) for the cost” for “80 percent of the cost”.

Subsec. (f)(2)(B). Pub. L. 109-59, §1109(d)(3), inserted “sponsoring the project” after “Federal agency”.

Subsec. (f)(4), (5). Pub. L. 109-59, §1109(d)(4)–(7), added par. (4), redesignated former par. (4) as (5), substituted “the Federal share as determined in accordance with section 120(b)” for “80 percent”, and struck out heading and text of former par. (5). Text read as follows: “The Federal share of the administrative costs of a State under this subsection shall be determined in accordance with section 120(b).”

Subsec. (h)(1)(C). Pub. L. 109-59, §1109(e), added subpar. (C).

ENCOURAGEMENT OF USE OF YOUTH CONSERVATION OR SERVICE CORPS

Pub. L. 109-59, title I, §1109(f), Aug. 10, 2005, 119 Stat. 1170, provided that: “The Secretary [of Transportation] shall encourage the States to enter into contracts and cooperative agreements with qualified youth conservation or service corps to perform construction and maintenance of recreational trails under section 206 of title 23, United States Code.”

Similar provisions were contained in the following prior act:

Pub. L. 105-178, title I, §1112(e), June 9, 1998, 112 Stat. 151.

[§§ 207 to 209. Repealed. Pub. L. 97-424, title I, § 126(d), Jan. 6, 1983, 96 Stat. 2115]

Section 207, Pub. L. 85-767, Aug. 27, 1958, 72 Stat. 908; Pub. L. 93-87, title I, §150, Aug. 13, 1973, 87 Stat. 275, provided for use of funds for construction and improvement of parkways, including acquisition of rights-of-way and related scenic easements, administration of such funds according to regulations jointly approved by the Secretary and the Secretary of the Interior, and that parkway projects on a Federal-aid system be subject to all requirements of this title and of any other law applicable to highways on such system.

Section 208, Pub. L. 85-767, Aug. 27, 1958, 72 Stat. 908; Pub. L. 87-282, Sept. 22, 1961, 75 Stat. 584; Pub. L. 93-643, §102(c), Jan. 4, 1975, 88 Stat. 2281, provided for use of funds for construction and improvement of Indian reservation roads and bridges, supervision of such projects by the Secretary, that such funds be only supplementary to funds apportioned under section 104 of this title, for use of Indian labor in such projects, and for cooperation with States and localities.

Section 209, Pub. L. 85-767, Aug. 27, 1958, 72 Stat. 908; Pub. L. 88-423, §4(b), Aug. 13, 1964, 78 Stat. 397, provided for use of funds for construction and maintenance of public lands highways, cooperation with State agencies, the application of section 112 of this title to public lands highways, and for use of such funds for adjacent ancillary facilities and services.

§ 210. Defense access roads

(a)(1) The Secretary is authorized, out of the funds appropriated for defense access roads, to

provide for the construction and maintenance of defense access roads (including bridges, tubes, and tunnels thereon) to military reservations, to defense industries and defense industry sites, and to the sources of raw materials when such roads are certified to the Secretary as important to the national defense by the Secretary of Defense or such other official as the President may designate, and for replacing existing highways and highway connections that are shut off from the general public use by necessary closures or restrictions at military reservations and defense industry sites.

(2) If it is determined that an action of the Department of Defense will cause a significant transportation impact to access to a military reservation, the Secretary of Defense shall conduct a transportation needs assessment to assess the magnitude of the improvement required to address the impact. The Secretary of Defense shall determine the magnitude of the required improvements without regard to the extent to which traffic generated by the reservation is greater than other traffic in the vicinity of the reservation.

(b) Funds appropriated for the purposes of this section shall be available, without regard to apportionment among the several States, for paying all or any part of the cost of the construction and maintenance of defense access roads.

(c) Funds appropriated for defense maneuvers and exercises, may be used by the Secretary in areas certified to him by the Secretary of Defense as maneuver areas for such construction, maintenance, and repair work as may be necessary to keep the highways therein, which have been or may be used for training of the Armed Forces, in suitable condition for such training purposes and for repairing the damage caused to such highways by the operations of men and equipment in such training.

(d) Whenever any project for the construction of a circumferential highway around a city or of a radial intracity route thereto submitted by any State is certified by the Secretary of Defense, or such other official as the President may designate, as being important for civilian or military defense, such project may be constructed out of the funds heretofore or hereafter authorized to be appropriated for defense access roads.

(e) If the Secretary shall determine that the State transportation department of any State is unable to obtain possession and the right to enter upon and use the required rights-of-way, lands, or interest in lands, improved or unimproved, required for any project authorized by this section with sufficient promptness, the Secretary is authorized to acquire, enter upon, take possession thereof, and expend funds for projects thereon, prior to approval of title by the Attorney General, in the name of the United States, such rights-of-way, lands, or interest in lands as may be required in such State for such projects by purchase, donation, condemnation, or otherwise in accordance with the laws of the United States (including sections 3114 to 3116 and 3118 of title 40). The cost incurred by the Secretary in acquiring any such rights-of-way, lands, or interest in lands may include the cost of examination and abstract of title, certificate of title, ad-

vertising, and any fees incidental to such acquisition; and shall be payable out of the funds available for paying the cost or the Federal share of the cost of the project for which such rights-of-way, lands, or interests in lands are acquired. The Secretary is further authorized and directed by proper deed executed in the name of the United States to convey any lands or interests in lands acquired in any State under the provisions of prior Acts or of this section to the State transportation department of such State or to such political subdivision thereof as its laws may provide, upon such terms and conditions as may be agreed upon by the Secretary and the State transportation department, or political subdivisions to which the conveyance is to be made.

(f) The provisions of section 112 of this title are applicable to defense access roads.

(g) If the Secretary shall determine that it is necessary for the expeditious completion of any defense access road project he may advance to any State out of funds appropriated for defense access roads transferred and available to the Department of Transportation the Federal share of the cost of construction thereof to enable the State transportation department to make prompt payments for acquisition of rights-of-way, and for the construction as it progresses. The sums so advanced shall be deposited in a special fund by the State official authorized by State law to receive such funds, to be disbursed solely upon vouchers approved by the State transportation department for rights-of-way which have been or are being acquired and for construction which has been actually performed under this section. Upon determination by the Secretary that funds advanced to any State under the provisions of this subsection are no longer required, the amount of the advance which is determined to be in excess of requirements for the project shall be repaid upon his demand, and such repayments shall be returned to the credit of the appropriation from which the funds were advanced.

(h) Funds appropriated for the purposes of this section shall be available to pay the cost of repairing damage caused to highways by the operation of vehicles and equipment in the construction of classified military installations and facilities for ballistic missiles if the Secretary shall determine that the State transportation department of any State is, or has been, unable to prevent such damage by restrictions upon the use of such highways without interference with, or delay in, the completion of a contract for the construction of such military reservations or installations. This subsection shall apply notwithstanding any provision of contract holding a party thereto responsible for such damage, if the Secretary of Defense or his designee shall determine, in fact, that construction estimates and the bid of such party did not include allowance for repairing such damage. This subsection shall apply to damage caused by construction work commenced prior to June 1, 1961, and still in progress on that date and construction work which is commenced or for which a contract is awarded on or after June 1, 1961.

(Pub. L. 85-767, Aug. 27, 1958, 72 Stat. 908; Pub. L. 86-657, §8(d), July 14, 1960, 74 Stat. 524; Pub. L.

87-61, title I, §105, June 29, 1961, 75 Stat. 123; Pub. L. 97-424, title I, §155, Jan. 6, 1983, 96 Stat. 2134; Pub. L. 100-17, title I, §133(b)(15), Apr. 2, 1987, 101 Stat. 172; Pub. L. 105-178, title I, §1212(a)(2)(A)(i), June 9, 1998, 112 Stat. 193; Pub. L. 109-284, §3(2), Sept. 27, 2006, 120 Stat. 1211; Pub. L. 110-417, div. B, title XXVIII, §2814(a), Oct. 14, 2008, 122 Stat. 4728; Pub. L. 112-81, div. B, title XXVIII, §2816(a), Dec. 31, 2011, 125 Stat. 1689.)

AMENDMENTS

2011—Subsec. (a)(2). Pub. L. 112-81 inserted at end “The Secretary of Defense shall determine the magnitude of the required improvements without regard to the extent to which traffic generated by the reservation is greater than other traffic in the vicinity of the reservation.”

2008—Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 110-417 designated existing provisions as par. (1) and added par. (2).

2006—Subsec. (e). Pub. L. 109-284 substituted “sections 3114 to 3116 and 3118 of title 40” for “the Act of February 26, 1931; 46 Stat. 1421”.

1998—Subsecs. (e), (g), (h). Pub. L. 105-178 substituted “State transportation department” for “State highway department” wherever appearing.

1987—Subsec. (g). Pub. L. 100-17 substituted “Transportation” for “Commerce”.

1983—Subsec. (c). Pub. L. 97-424 substituted “Funds appropriated for defense maneuvers and exercises” for “Not exceeding \$5,000,000 of any funds appropriated under the Act approved October 16, 1951 (65 Stat. 422)”.

1961—Subsec. (h). Pub. L. 87-61 added subsec. (h).

1960—Subsec. (g). Pub. L. 86-657 added subsec. (g).

ECONOMIC ADJUSTMENT COMMITTEE CONSIDERATION OF ADDITIONAL DEFENSE ACCESS ROADS FUNDING SOURCES

Pub. L. 112-81, div. B, title XXVIII, §2816(b), Dec. 31, 2011, 125 Stat. 1689, provided that:

“(1) CONVENING OF COMMITTEE.—Not later than 90 days after the date of the enactment of this Act [Dec. 31, 2011], the Secretary of Defense, as the chairperson of the Economic Adjustment Committee established in Executive Order No. 127887 [12788] (10 U.S.C. 2391 note), shall convene the Economic Adjustment Committee to consider additional sources of funding for the defense access roads program under section 210 of title 23, United States Code.

“(2) REPORT.—Not later than one year after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense shall submit to Congress a report describing the results of the Economic Adjustment Committee deliberations and containing an implementation plan to expand funding sources for the mitigation of significant transportation impacts to access to military reservations pursuant to subsection (b) of section 210 of title 23, United States Code, as amended by subsection (a).”

SEPARATE BUDGET REQUEST FOR PROGRAM

Pub. L. 112-81, div. B, title XXVIII, §2816(c), Dec. 31, 2011, 125 Stat. 1689, provided that: “Amounts requested for a fiscal year for the defense access roads program under section 210 of title 23, United States Code, shall be set forth as a separate budget request in the budget transmitted by the President to Congress for that fiscal year under section 1105 of title 31, United States.”

[§ 211. Repealed. Pub. L. 100-17, title I, § 133(e)(1), Apr. 2, 1987, 101 Stat. 173]

Section, Pub. L. 85-767, Aug. 27, 1958, 72 Stat. 909, related to timber access road hearings.

§ 212. Inter-American Highway

(a) Funds appropriated for the Inter-American Highway shall be used to enable the United States to cooperate with the Governments of the American Republics situated in Central Amer-

ica—that is, with the Governments of the Republic of Costa Rica, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras, Nicaragua, and Panama—in the survey and construction of the Inter-American Highway within the borders of the aforesaid Republics, respectively. Not to exceed one-third of the appropriation authorized for each fiscal year may be expended without requiring the country or countries in which such funds may be expended to match any part thereof, if the Secretary of State shall find that the cost of constructing said highway in such country or countries will be beyond their reasonable capacity to bear. The remainder of such authorized appropriations shall be available for expenditure only when matched to the extent required by this section by the country in which such expenditure may be made. Expenditures from the funds available on a matching basis shall not be made for the survey and construction of any portion of said highway within the borders of any country named herein unless such country shall provide and make available for expenditure in conjunction therewith a sum equal to at least one-third of the expenditures that may be incurred by that Government and the United States on such portion of the highway. All expenditures by the United States under the provisions of this section for material, equipment, and supplies shall, whenever practicable, be made for products of the United States or of the country in which such survey or construction work is being carried on. Construction work to be performed under contract shall be advertised for a reasonable period by the Minister of Public Works, or other similar official, of the government concerned in each of the participating countries and contracts shall be awarded pursuant to such advertisements with the approval of the Secretary. No part of the appropriations authorized shall be available for obligation or expenditure for work on said highway in any cooperating country unless the government of said country shall have assented to the provisions of this section; shall have furnished satisfactory assurances that it has an organization adequately qualified to administer the functions required of such country under the provisions hereof; and then only as such country may submit requests, from time to time, for the construction of any portion of the highway to standards adequate to meet present and future traffic needs. No part of said appropriations shall be available for obligation or expenditure in any such country until the government of that country shall have entered into an agreement with the United States which shall provide, in part, that said country—

(1) will provide, without participation of funds authorized, all necessary rights-of-way for the construction of said highway, which rights-of-way shall be of a minimum width where practicable of one hundred meters in rural areas and fifty meters in municipalities and shall forever be held inviolate as a part of the highway for public use;

(2) will not impose any highway toll, or permit any such toll to be charged, for use by vehicles or persons of any portion of said highway constructed under the provisions of this section;

(3) will not levy or assess, directly or indirectly, any fee, tax, or other charge for the use

of said highway by vehicles or persons from the United States that does not apply equally to vehicles or persons of such country;

(4) will continue to grant reciprocal recognition of vehicle registration and drivers' licenses in accordance with the provisions of the Convention for the Regulation of Inter-American Automotive Traffic, which was opened for signature at the Pan American Union in Washington on December 15, 1943, and to which such country and the United States are parties, or of any other treaty or international convention establishing similar reciprocal recognition; and

(5) will provide for the maintenance of said highway after its completion in condition adequately to serve the needs of present and future traffic.

(b) The survey and construction work authorized by this section shall be under the administration of the Secretary, who shall consult with the appropriate officials of the Department of State with respect to matters involving the foreign relations of this Government, and such negotiations with the Governments of the American Republics named in subsection (a) of this section as may be required to carry out the purposes of this section shall be conducted through, or as authorized by, the Department of State.

(c) The provisions of this section shall not create nor authorize the creation of any obligations on the part of the Government of the United States with respect to any expenditures for highway construction or survey heretofore or hereafter undertaken in any of the countries enumerated in subsection (a) of this section, other than the expenditures authorized by the provisions of this section.

(d) Appropriations made pursuant to any authorizations heretofore, or hereafter enacted for the Inter-American Highway shall be considered available for expenditure by the Secretary for necessary administrative and engineering expenses in connection with the Inter-American Highway program.

(Pub. L. 85-767, Aug. 27, 1958, 72 Stat. 909.)

[§ 213. Repealed. Pub. L. 100-17, title I, § 133(e)(1), Apr. 2, 1987, 101 Stat. 173]

Section, Pub. L. 85-767, Aug. 27, 1958, 72 Stat. 911, related to construction of Rama Road in Republic of Nicaragua.

§ 214. Public lands development roads and trails

(a) Funds available for public lands development roads and trails shall be used to pay the cost of construction and improvement of such roads and trails.

(b) Funds available for public lands development roads and trails shall be available for adjacent vehicular parking areas and for sanitary, water, and fire control facilities.

(Added Pub. L. 87-866, § 6(b), Oct. 23, 1962, 76 Stat. 1147; amended Pub. L. 97-424, title I, § 126(d), Jan. 6, 1983, 96 Stat. 2115.)

AMENDMENTS

1983—Subsec. (c). Pub. L. 97-424 struck out subsec. (c) which provided for prior approval by the Secretary of

all projects for public lands development roads and trails and for general supervision by the Secretary of their construction.

§ 215. Territorial highway program

(a) DEFINITIONS.—In this section, the following definitions apply:

(1) PROGRAM.—The term “program” means the territorial highway program established under subsection (b).

(2) TERRITORY.—The term “territory” means any of the following territories of the United States:

- (A) American Samoa.
- (B) The Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands.
- (C) Guam.
- (D) The United States Virgin Islands.

(b) PROGRAM.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Recognizing the mutual benefits that will accrue to the territories and the United States from the improvement of highways in the territories, the Secretary may carry out a program to assist each government of a territory in the construction and improvement of a system of arterial and collector highways, and necessary inter-island connectors, that is—

- (A) designated by the Governor or chief executive officer of each territory; and
- (B) approved by the Secretary.

(2) FEDERAL SHARE.—The Federal share of Federal financial assistance provided to territories under this section shall be in accordance with section 120(h).

(c) TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—To continue a long-range highway development program, the Secretary may provide technical assistance to the governments of the territories to enable the territories to, on a continuing basis—

- (A) engage in highway planning;
- (B) conduct environmental evaluations;
- (C) administer right-of-way acquisition and relocation assistance programs; and
- (D) design, construct, operate, and maintain a system of arterial and collector highways, including necessary inter-island connectors.

(2) FORM AND TERMS OF ASSISTANCE.—Technical assistance provided under paragraph (1), and the terms for the sharing of information among territories receiving the technical assistance, shall be included in the agreement required by subsection (e).

(d) NONAPPLICABILITY OF CERTAIN PROVISIONS.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Except to the extent that provisions of chapter 1 are determined by the Secretary to be inconsistent with the needs of the territories and the intent of the program, chapter 1 (other than provisions of chapter 1 relating to the apportionment and allocation of funds) shall apply to funds authorized to be appropriated for the program.

(2) APPLICABLE PROVISIONS.—The agreement required by subsection (e) for each territory shall identify the sections of chapter 1 that are applicable to that territory and the extent of the applicability of those sections.

(e) AGREEMENT.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Except as provided in paragraph (4), none of the funds made available for the program shall be available for obligation or expenditure with respect to any territory until the chief executive officer of the territory enters into an agreement with the Secretary (not later than 1 year after the date of enactment of SAFETEA-LU), providing that the government of the territory shall—

(A) implement the program in accordance with applicable provisions of chapter 1 and subsection (d);

(B) design and construct a system of arterial and collector highways, including necessary inter-island connectors, in accordance with standards that are—

- (i) appropriate for each territory; and
- (ii) approved by the Secretary;

(C) provide for the maintenance of facilities constructed or operated under this section in a condition to adequately serve the needs of present and future traffic; and

(D) implement standards for traffic operations and uniform traffic control devices that are approved by the Secretary.

(2) TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE.—The agreement required by paragraph (1) shall—

(A) specify the kind of technical assistance to be provided under the program;

(B) include appropriate provisions regarding information sharing among the territories; and

(C) delineate the oversight role and responsibilities of the territories and the Secretary.

(3) REVIEW AND REVISION OF AGREEMENT.—The agreement entered into under paragraph (1) shall be reevaluated and, as necessary, revised, at least every 2 years.

(4) EXISTING AGREEMENTS.—With respect to an agreement under the section between the Secretary and the chief executive officer of a territory that is in effect as of the date of enactment of the SAFETEA-LU—

(A) the agreement shall continue in force until replaced by an agreement entered into in accordance with paragraph (1); and

(B) amounts made available for the program under the existing agreement shall be available for obligation or expenditure so long as the agreement, or the existing agreement entered into under paragraph (1), is in effect.

(f) PERMISSIBLE USES OF FUNDS.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Funds made available for the program may be used only for the following projects and activities carried out in a territory:

(A) Eligible surface transportation program projects described in section 133(b).

(B) Cost-effective, preventive maintenance consistent with section 116(d).

(C) Ferry boats, terminal facilities, and approaches, in accordance with subsections (b) and (c) of section 129.

(D) Engineering and economic surveys and investigations for the planning, and the financing, of future highway programs.

(E) Studies of the economy, safety, and convenience of highway use.

(F) The regulation and equitable taxation of highway use.

(G) Such research and development as are necessary in connection with the planning, design, and maintenance of the highway system.

(2) PROHIBITION ON USE OF FUNDS FOR ROUTINE MAINTENANCE.—None of the funds made available for the program shall be obligated or expended for routine maintenance.

(g) LOCATION OF PROJECTS.—Territorial highway projects (other than those described in paragraphs (1), (3), and (4) of section 133(b)) may not be undertaken on roads functionally classified as local.

(Added Pub. L. 109-59, title I, §1118(a), Aug. 10, 2005, 119 Stat. 1179.)

REFERENCES IN TEXT

The date of enactment of the SAFETEA-LU, referred to in subsec. (e)(1), (4), is the date of enactment of Pub. L. 109-59, which was approved Aug. 10, 2005.

PRIOR PROVISIONS

A prior section 215, added Pub. L. 91-605, title I, §112(a), Dec. 31, 1970, 84 Stat. 1720; amended Pub. L. 95-599, title I, §129(f), Nov. 6, 1978, 92 Stat. 2708; Pub. L. 96-106, §9, Nov. 9, 1979, 93 Stat. 798; Pub. L. 100-17, title I, §133(b)(16), Apr. 2, 1987, 101 Stat. 172, related to territorial highway program, prior to repeal by Pub. L. 109-59, title I, §1118(a), Aug. 10, 2005, 119 Stat. 1179.

§ 216. Darien Gap Highway

(a) The United States shall cooperate with the Government of the Republic of Panama and with the Government of Colombia in the construction of approximately two hundred and fifty miles of highway in such countries in the location known as the “Darien Gap” to connect the Inter-American Highway authorized by section 212 of this title with the Pan American Highway System of South America. Such highway shall be known as the “Darien Gap Highway”. Funds authorized by this section shall be obligated and expended subject to the same terms, conditions, and requirements with respect to the Darien Gap Highway as are funds authorized for the Inter-American Highway by subsection (a) of section 212 of this title.

(b) The construction authorized by this section shall be under the administration of the Secretary, who shall consult with the appropriate officials of the Department of State with respect to matters involving the foreign relations of this Government, and such negotiations with the Governments of the Republic of Panama and Colombia as may be required to carry out the purposes of this section shall be conducted through, or authorized by, the Department of State.

(c) The provisions of this section shall not create nor authorize the creation of any obligations on the part of the Government of the United States with respect to any expenditures for highway survey or construction heretofore or hereafter undertaken in Panama or Colombia, other than the expenditures authorized by the provision of this section.

(d) Appropriations made pursuant to any authorization for the Darien Gap Highway shall be available for expenditure by the Secretary for necessary administrative and engineering expenses in connection with the Darien Gap Highway program.

(e) For the purposes of this section the term “construction” does not include any costs of rights-of-way, relocation assistance, or the elimination of hazards of railway grade crossings.

(Added Pub. L. 91-605, title I, §113(a), Dec. 31, 1970, 84 Stat. 1721.)

AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS

Section 113(c) of Pub. L. 91-605 provided that: “There is hereby authorized to be appropriated not to exceed \$100,000,000, to remain available until expended to enable the Secretary of Transportation to carry out section 216 of title 23, United States Code.”

§ 217. Bicycle transportation and pedestrian walkways

(a) USE OF STP AND CONGESTION MITIGATION PROGRAM FUNDS.—Subject to project approval by the Secretary, a State may obligate funds apportioned to it under sections 104(b)(2) and 104(b)(3) of this title for construction of pedestrian walkways and bicycle transportation facilities and for carrying out nonconstruction projects related to safe bicycle use.

(b) USE OF NATIONAL HIGHWAY SYSTEM FUNDS.—Subject to project approval by the Secretary, a State may obligate funds apportioned to it under section 104(b)(1) of this title for construction of pedestrian walkways and bicycle transportation facilities on land adjacent to any highway on the National Highway System.

(c) USE OF FEDERAL LANDS HIGHWAY FUNDS.—Funds authorized for forest highways, forest development roads and trails, public lands development roads and trails, park roads, parkways, Indian reservation roads, and public lands highways shall be available, at the discretion of the department charged with the administration of such funds, for the construction of pedestrian walkways and bicycle transportation facilities.

(d) STATE BICYCLE AND PEDESTRIAN COORDINATORS.—Each State receiving an apportionment under sections 104(b)(2) and 104(b)(3) of this title shall use such amount of the apportionment as may be necessary to fund in the State department of transportation a position of bicycle and pedestrian coordinator for promoting and facilitating the increased use of nonmotorized modes of transportation, including developing facilities for the use of pedestrians and bicyclists and public education, promotional, and safety programs for using such facilities.

(e) BRIDGES.—In any case where a highway bridge deck being replaced or rehabilitated with Federal financial participation is located on a highway on which bicycles are permitted to operate at each end of such bridge, and the Secretary determines that the safe accommodation of bicycles can be provided at reasonable cost as part of such replacement or rehabilitation, then such bridge shall be so replaced or rehabilitated as to provide such safe accommodations.

(f) FEDERAL SHARE.—For all purposes of this title, construction of a pedestrian walkway and

a bicycle transportation facility shall be deemed to be a highway project and the Federal share payable on account of such construction shall be determined in accordance with section 120(b).

(g) **PLANNING AND DESIGN.**—

(1) **IN GENERAL.**—Bicyclists and pedestrians shall be given due consideration in the comprehensive transportation plans developed by each metropolitan planning organization and State in accordance with sections 134 and 135, respectively. Bicycle transportation facilities and pedestrian walkways shall be considered, where appropriate, in conjunction with all new construction and reconstruction of transportation facilities, except where bicycle and pedestrian use are not permitted.

(2) **SAFETY CONSIDERATIONS.**—Transportation plans and projects shall provide due consideration for safety and contiguous routes for bicyclists and pedestrians. Safety considerations shall include the installation, where appropriate, and maintenance of audible traffic signals and audible signs at street crossings.

(h) **USE OF MOTORIZED VEHICLES.**—Motorized vehicles may not be permitted on trails and pedestrian walkways under this section, except for—

- (1) maintenance purposes;
- (2) when snow conditions and State or local regulations permit, snowmobiles;
- (3) motorized wheelchairs;
- (4) when State or local regulations permit, electric bicycles; and
- (5) such other circumstances as the Secretary deems appropriate.

(i) **TRANSPORTATION PURPOSE.**—No bicycle project may be carried out under this section unless the Secretary has determined that such bicycle project will be principally for transportation, rather than recreation, purposes.

(j) **DEFINITIONS.**—In this section, the following definitions apply:

(1) **BICYCLE TRANSPORTATION FACILITY.**—The term “bicycle transportation facility” means a new or improved lane, path, or shoulder for use by bicyclists and a traffic control device, shelter, or parking facility for bicycles.

(2) **ELECTRIC BICYCLE.**—The term “electric bicycle” means any bicycle or tricycle with a low-powered electric motor weighing under 100 pounds, with a top motor-powered speed not in excess of 20 miles per hour.

(3) **PEDESTRIAN.**—The term “pedestrian” means any person traveling by foot and any mobility-impaired person using a wheelchair.

(4) **WHEELCHAIR.**—The term “wheelchair” means a mobility aid, usable indoors, and designed for and used by individuals with mobility impairments, whether operated manually or motorized.

(Added Pub. L. 93-87, title I, §124(a), Aug. 13, 1973, 87 Stat. 262; amended Pub. L. 94-280, title I, §134, May 5, 1976, 90 Stat. 441; Pub. L. 95-599, title I, §141(h), Nov. 6, 1978, 92 Stat. 2712; Pub. L. 97-424, title I, §126A, formerly §126, Jan. 6, 1983, 96 Stat. 2116, renumbered §126A, Pub. L. 100-17, title I, §133(a)(2), Apr. 2, 1987, 101 Stat. 170; Pub. L. 100-17, title I, §127, Apr. 2, 1987, 101 Stat. 167; Pub. L. 102-240, title I, §1033, Dec. 18, 1991, 105 Stat. 1975; Pub. L. 104-59, title III, §310(b), Nov.

28, 1995, 109 Stat. 582; Pub. L. 105-178, title I, §1202(a), June 9, 1998, 112 Stat. 168; Pub. L. 109-59, title I, §1954, Aug. 10, 2005, 119 Stat. 1515.)

AMENDMENTS

2005—Subsec. (c). Pub. L. 109-59 struck out “in conjunction with such trails, roads, highways, and parkways” before period at end.

1998—Subsec. (b). Pub. L. 105-178, §1202(a)(1), inserted “pedestrian walkways and” after “construction of” and struck out “(other than the Interstate System)” after “on the National Highway System”.

Subsec. (e). Pub. L. 105-178, §1202(a)(2), struck out “, other than a highway access to which is fully controlled,” after “located on a highway”.

Subsec. (g). Pub. L. 105-178, §1202(a)(3), added subsec. (g) and struck out heading and text of former subsec. (g). Text read as follows: “Pedestrian walkways and bicycle transportation facilities to be constructed under this section shall be located and designed pursuant to an overall plan to be developed by each metropolitan planning organization and State and incorporated into their comprehensive annual long-range plans in accordance with sections 134 and 135 of this title, respectively. Such plans shall provide due consideration for safety and contiguous routes.”

Subsec. (h). Pub. L. 105-178, §1202(a)(4), substituted “Motorized vehicles may not” for “No motorized vehicles shall” in introductory provisions.

Subsec. (h)(3). Pub. L. 105-178, §1202(a)(5), substituted “motorized wheelchairs;” for “when State and local regulations permit, motorized wheelchairs; and”.

Subsec. (h)(4), (5). Pub. L. 105-178, §1202(a)(6), added par. (4) and redesignated former par. (4) as (5).

Subsec. (j). Pub. L. 105-178, §1202(a)(7), added subsec. (j) and struck out heading and text of former subsec. (j). Text read as follows: “For purposes of this section, a ‘bicycle transportation facility’ means new or improved lanes, paths, or shoulders for use by bicyclists, traffic control devices, shelters, and parking facilities for bicycles.”

1995—Subsec. (f). Pub. L. 104-59 substituted “determined in accordance with section 120(b)” for “80 percent”.

1991—Pub. L. 102-240 substituted “walkways” for “walkway” in section catchline and amended text generally, substituting present provisions for provisions authorizing States to construct pedestrian walkways and bicycle lanes, paths, etc., as Federal-aid highway projects, relating to safe accommodation of bicycles on bridge with deck replaced or rehabilitated with Federal participation, prohibiting bicycle project under this section unless principally for transportation purposes, deeming walkway and bicycle projects as highway projects and setting Federal share at 100 per centum, allowing use of funds authorized for forest highways, forest development roads and trails, etc., for construction of walkways and bicycle routes, prohibiting use of motor vehicles on trails and walkways, and relating to obligation of funds.

1987—Subsec. (b)(1). Pub. L. 100-17 inserted “and sums apportioned or allocated for highway substitute projects in accordance with section 103(e)(4) of this title” after “title” in second sentence.

1983—Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 97-424 designated as subsec. (a) that portion of former subsec. (a) relating to pedestrian walkways. Remainder of former subsec. (a) relating to bicycles was redesignated (b)(1).

Subsec. (b). Pub. L. 97-424 redesignated as par. (1) that portion of former subsec. (a) relating to bicycles and added pars. (2) and (3). Provisions of former subsec. (b) relating to pedestrian walkways and bicycles projects were redesignated (c) and (d), respectively.

Subsec. (c). Pub. L. 97-424 redesignated as subsec. (c) that portion of former subsec. (b) relating to pedestrian walkways. Provisions of former subsec. (c) relating to pedestrian walkways and to bicycle routes were redesignated (e) and (f), respectively.

Subsec. (d). Pub. L. 97-424 redesignated as subsec. (d) that portion of former subsec. (b) relating to bicycle projects. Former subsec. (d) redesignated (g).

Subsec. (e). Pub. L. 97-424 redesignated as subsec. (e) that portion of former subsec. (c) relating to pedestrian walkways. Former subsec. (e) redesignated (h) and amended.

Subsec. (f). Pub. L. 97-424 redesignated as subsec. (f) that portion of former subsec. (c) relating to bicycle routes.

Subsec. (g). Pub. L. 97-424 redesignated former subsec. (d) as (g).

Subsec. (h). Pub. L. 97-424 redesignated former subsec. (e) as (h), substituted reference to subsecs. (a), (b), (e), and (f) of this section for reference to former subsecs. (a) and (c), and substituted provision that no State shall obligate more than \$4,500,000 for such projects in any fiscal year, except that the Secretary may, upon application, waive this limitation for a State for any fiscal year for provision that no State was to obligate more than \$2,500,000 for such projects for any fiscal year.

1978—Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 95-599 inserted provision relating to energy conservation and struck out requirement that such construction be in conjunction with Federal-aid highways.

1976—Subsec. (e). Pub. L. 94-280 substituted “\$45,000,000” for “\$40,000,000” and “\$2,500,000” for “\$2,000,000”.

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1991 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 102-240 effective Dec. 18, 1991, and applicable to funds authorized to be appropriated or made available after Sept. 30, 1991, and, with certain exceptions, not applicable to funds appropriated or made available on or before Sept. 30, 1991, see section 1100 of Pub. L. 102-240, set out as a note under section 104 of this title.

NONMOTORIZED TRANSPORTATION PILOT PROGRAM

Pub. L. 109-59, title I, § 1807, Aug. 10, 2005, 119 Stat. 1460, as amended by Pub. L. 110-244, title I, § 106, June 6, 2008, 122 Stat. 1602, provided that:

“(a) ESTABLISHMENT.—The Secretary [of Transportation] shall establish and carry out a nonmotorized transportation pilot program to construct, in the following 4 communities selected by the Secretary, a network of nonmotorized transportation infrastructure facilities, including sidewalks, bicycle lanes, and pedestrian and bicycle trails, that connect directly with transit stations, schools, residences, businesses, recreation areas, and other community activity centers:

- “(1) Columbia, Missouri.
- “(2) Marin County, California.
- “(3) Minneapolis, Minnesota.
- “(4) Sheboygan County, Wisconsin.

“(b) PURPOSE.—The purpose of the program shall be to demonstrate the extent to which bicycling and walking can carry a significant part of the transportation load, and represent a major portion of the transportation solution, within selected communities.

“(c) GRANTS.—In carrying out the program, the Secretary [of Transportation] may make a grant of \$6,250,000 per fiscal year for each of the communities set forth in subsection (a) to State, local, and regional agencies that the Secretary determines are suitably equipped and organized to carry out the objectives and requirements of this section. An agency that receives a grant under this section may suballocate grant funds to a nonprofit organization to carry out the program under this section.

“(d) STATISTICAL INFORMATION.—In carrying out the program, the Secretary [of Transportation] shall develop statistical information on changes in motor vehicle, nonmotorized transportation, and public transportation usage in communities participating in the program and assess how such changes decrease congestion and energy usage, increase the frequency of bicycling and walking, and promote better health and a cleaner environment.

“(e) REPORTS.—The Secretary [of Transportation] shall submit to Congress an interim report not later

than September 30, 2007, and a final report not later than September 30, 2010, on the results of the program.

“(f) FUNDING.—

“(1) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—There is authorized to be appropriated to carry out this section, out of the Highway Trust Fund (other than the Mass Transit Account), \$25,000,000 for each of fiscal years 2006 through 2009.

“(2) CONTRACT AUTHORITY.—Funds authorized to be appropriated by this section shall be available for obligation in the same manner and to the same extent as if the funds were apportioned under chapter 1 of title 23, United States Code; except that the Federal share of the cost of the project shall be 100 percent, and the funds shall remain available until expended and shall not be transferable.

“(g) TREATMENT OF PROJECTS.—Notwithstanding any other provision of law, projects assisted under this subsection shall be treated as projects on a Federal-aid system under chapter 1 of title 23, United States Code.”

DESIGN GUIDANCE

Pub. L. 105-178, title I, § 1202(b), June 9, 1998, 112 Stat. 169, provided that:

“(1) IN GENERAL.—In implementing section 217(g) of title 23, United States Code, the Secretary, in cooperation with the American Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials, the Institute of Transportation Engineers, and other interested organizations, shall develop guidance on the various approaches to accommodating bicycles and pedestrian travel.

“(2) ISSUES TO BE ADDRESSED.—The guidance shall address issues such as the level and nature of the demand, volume, and speed of motor vehicle traffic, safety, terrain, cost, and sight distance.

“(3) RECOMMENDATIONS.—The guidance shall include recommendations on amending and updating the policies of the American Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials relating to highway and street design standards to accommodate bicyclists and pedestrians.

“(4) TIME PERIOD FOR DEVELOPMENT.—The guidance shall be developed within 18 months after the date of enactment of this Act [June 9, 1998].”

ENERGY CONSERVATION BICYCLE TRANSPORTATION PROGRAM; REPORT

Pub. L. 95-619, title VI, § 682, Nov. 9, 1978, 92 Stat. 3287, set forth findings respecting an energy conservation bicycle transportation program and required a study and report not more than one year after Nov. 9, 1978, by the Secretary of Transportation for bicycle use potential, etc.

BIKEWAY CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS

Section 141(a)-(e), (i) of Pub. L. 95-599, related to establishment by Secretary of design and construction standards for bikeway construction projects and to grants to States for bikeway construction projects, prior to repeal by Pub. L. 100-17, title I, § 133(e)(2), Apr. 2, 1987, 101 Stat. 173.

BIKEWAY DEMONSTRATION PROGRAM

Pub. L. 93-643, § 119, Jan. 4, 1975, 88 Stat. 2288, authorized grants to States for demonstration projects for construction of bikeways, prior to repeal by Pub. L. 100-17, title I, § 133(e)(2), Apr. 2, 1987, 101 Stat. 173.

§ 218. Alaska Highway

(a) Recognizing the benefits that will accrue to the State of Alaska and to the United States from the reconstruction of the Alaska Highway from the Alaskan border to Haines Junction in Canada and the Haines Cutoff Highway from Haines Junction in Canada to Haines, the Secretary is authorized out of the funds appropriated for the purpose of this section to provide

for necessary reconstruction of such highway. Such appropriations shall remain available until expended. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, in addition to such funds, upon agreement with the State of Alaska, the Secretary is authorized to expend on such highway or the Alaska Marine Highway System any Federal-aid highway funds apportioned to the State of Alaska under this title at a Federal share of 100 per centum. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, any obligation limitation enacted for fiscal year 1983 or for any other fiscal year thereafter, including any portion of any other fiscal year thereafter, shall not apply to projects authorized by the preceding sentence. No expenditures shall be made for the construction of the portion of such highways that are in Canada until an agreement has been reached by the Government of Canada and the Government of the United States which shall provide, in part, that the Canadian Government—

(1) will provide, without participation of funds authorized under this title, all necessary right-of-way for the reconstruction of such highways;

(2) will not impose any highway toll, or permit any such toll to be charged for the use of such highways by vehicles or persons;

(3) will not levy or assess, directly or indirectly, any fee, tax, or other charge for the use of such highways by vehicles or persons from the United States that does not apply equally to vehicles or persons of Canada;

(4) will continue to grant reciprocal recognition of vehicle registration and drivers' licenses in accordance with agreements between the United States and Canada; and

(5) will maintain such highways after their completion in proper condition adequately to serve the needs of present and future traffic.

(b) The survey and construction work undertaken in Canada pursuant to this section shall be under the general supervision of the Secretary.

(c) For purposes of this section, the term "Alaska Marine Highway System" includes all existing or planned transportation facilities and equipment in Alaska, including the lease, purchase, or construction of vessels, terminals, docks, floats, ramps, staging areas, parking lots, bridges and approaches thereto, and necessary roads.

(Added Pub. L. 93-87, title I, §127(a)(1), Aug. 13, 1973, 87 Stat. 264; amended Pub. L. 94-147, Dec. 12, 1975, 89 Stat. 803; Pub. L. 97-424, title I, §158, Jan. 6, 1983, 96 Stat. 2135; Pub. L. 105-277, div. A, §101(g) [title III, §316], Oct. 21, 1998, 112 Stat. 2681-439, 2681-468; Pub. L. 108-7, div. I, title III, §327, Feb. 20, 2003, 117 Stat. 413; Pub. L. 109-59, title IV, §4409, Aug. 10, 2005, 119 Stat. 1778.)

AMENDMENTS

2005—Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 109-59, §4409(1), struck out "prior to the date of the enactment of the reauthorization of the Transportation Equity Act for the 21st Century" before "shall not apply" in introductory provisions.

Subsec. (c). Pub. L. 109-59, §4409(2), added subsec. (c).

2003—Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 108-7 inserted "reauthorization of the" before "Transportation".

1998—Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 105-277, §101(g) [title III, §316(1)(A)], substituted "to Haines" for "to the south

Alaskan border" in first sentence, substituted "such highway or the Alaska Marine Highway System" for "such highway" in third sentence, substituted "any other fiscal year thereafter, including any portion of any other fiscal year thereafter, prior to the date of the enactment of the Transportation Equity Act for the 21st Century" for "any other fiscal year thereafter" in fourth sentence, substituted "construction of the portion of such highways that are in Canada until an agreement" for "construction of such highways until an agreement" in fifth sentence.

Subsec. (b). Pub. L. 105-277, §101(g) [title III, §316(2)], inserted "in Canada" after "undertaken".

1983—Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 97-424 inserted provision that notwithstanding any other provision of law, upon agreement with the State of Alaska, the Secretary is authorized to expend on the highway any Federal-aid highway funds apportioned to the State of Alaska under this title at a Federal share of 100 per centum, and that any obligation limitation enacted for fiscal year 1983 or for any other fiscal year thereafter shall not apply to such projects.

1975—Subsec. (a)(1). Pub. L. 94-147 struck out provision requiring that the right-of-way granted by the Canadian Government shall forever be held inviolate as part of such highways in public use.

ALASKAN ROADS STUDY; INVESTIGATION; REPORT TO CONGRESS

Pub. L. 94-280, title I, §151, May 5, 1976, 90 Stat. 448, provided that:

"(a) The Secretary of Transportation is authorized to undertake an investigation and study to determine the cost of, and the responsibility for, repairing the damage to Alaska highways that has been or will be caused by heavy truck traffic during construction of the trans-Alaska pipeline and to restore them to proper standards when construction is complete. The Secretary of Transportation shall report his initial findings to the Congress on or before September 30, 1976, and his final conclusions on rebuilding costs no later than three months after completion of pipeline construction.

"(b) There is hereby authorized to be appropriated, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, to be available until expended, the sum of \$200,000 for the purpose of making the study authorized by subsection (a) of this section."

APPROPRIATIONS AUTHORIZATION

Section 127(b) of Pub. L. 93-87 provided that: "For the purpose of completing necessary reconstruction of the Alaska Highway from the Alaskan border to Haines Junction in Canada and the Haines Cutoff Highway from Haines Junction in Canada to the south Alaskan border there is authorized to be appropriated the sum of \$58,670,000 to be expended in accordance with the provisions of section 218 of title 23 of the United States Code."

[§ 219. Repealed. Pub. L. 100-17, title I, § 133(e)(1), Apr. 2, 1987, 101 Stat. 173]

Section, added Pub. L. 93-643, §122(a), Jan. 4, 1975, 88 Stat. 2289; amended Pub. L. 94-280, title I, §135(a), May 5, 1976, 90 Stat. 441; Pub. L. 95-599, title I, §168(d), Nov. 6, 1978, 92 Stat. 2723; Pub. L. 96-106, §10(a), Nov. 9, 1979, 93 Stat. 798, related to projects for safer off-system roads.

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