

Public Law 94-544
94th Congress

An Act

To designate certain lands in the Point Reyes National Seashore, California, as wilderness, amending the Act of September 13, 1962 (76 Stat. 538), as amended (16 U.S.C. 459c-6a), and for other purposes.

Oct. 18, 1976
[H.R. 8002]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That, in furtherance of the purposes of the Point Reyes National Seashore Act (76 Stat. 538; 16 U.S.C. 459c), and of the Wilderness Act (78 Stat. 890; 16 U.S.C. 1131-36), and in accordance with section 3(c) of the Wilderness Act, the following lands within the Point Reyes National Seashore are hereby designated as wilderness, and shall be administered by the Secretary of the Interior in accordance with the applicable provisions of the Wilderness Act: those lands comprising twenty-five thousand three hundred and seventy acres, and potential wilderness additions comprising eight thousand and three acres, depicted on a map entitled "Wilderness Plan, Point Reyes National Seashore", numbered 612-90,000-B and dated September 1976, to be known as the Point Reyes Wilderness.

Point Reyes
National
Seashore, Calif.
Certain lands
designated as
wilderness areas.
16 USC 1132
note.
16 USC 1132.
16 USC 1131
note.

SEC. 2. As soon as practicable after this Act takes effect, the Secretary of the Interior shall file a map of the wilderness area and a description of its boundaries with the Interior and Insular Affairs Committees of the United States Senate and House of Representatives, and such map and descriptions shall have the same force and effect as if included in this Act: *Provided, however,* That correction of clerical and typographical errors in such map and descriptions may be made.

Map and
description, filing
with
congressional
committees.

SEC. 3. The area designated by this Act as wilderness shall be administered by the Secretary of the Interior in accordance with the applicable provisions of the Wilderness Act governing areas designated by that Act as wilderness areas, except that any reference in such provisions to the effective date of this Act, and, where appropriate, any reference to the Secretary of Agriculture, shall be deemed to be a reference to the Secretary of the Interior.

Administration.

SEC. 4. (a) Amend the Act of September 13, 1962 (76 Stat. 538), as amended (16 U.S.C. 459c-6a), as follows:

16 USC 459c-6.

In section 6(a) insert immediately after the words "shall be administered by the Secretary," the words "without impairment of its natural values, in a manner which provides for such recreational, educational, historic preservation, interpretation, and scientific research opportunities as are consistent with, based upon, and supportive of the maximum protection, restoration, and preservation of the natural environment within the area,".

(b) Add the following new section 7 and redesignate the existing section 7 as section 8:

16 USC 459c-7.

"SEC. 7. The Secretary shall designate the principal environmental education center within the seashore as 'The Clem Miller Environ-

The Clem Miller
Environmental
Education Center,
designation.
16 USC 459c-6a.

mental Education Center', in commemoration of the vision and leadership which the late Representative Clem Miller gave to the creation and protection of Point Reyes National Seashore.³⁵

Approved October 18, 1976.

LEGISLATIVE HISTORY:

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Oct. 19, Presidential statement.