

[CHAPTER 427]

AN ACT

August 15, 1949
[H. R. 2290]
[Public Law 228]

To provide for cooperation by the Smithsonian Institution with State, educational, and scientific organizations in the United States for continuing paleontological investigations in areas which will be flooded by the construction of Government dams.

Smithsonian Institution.
Paleontological investigations.

Investigations, etc., of Interior Department.

Appropriation authorized.

Contributions.

Limitation.

Government lands.

34 Stat. 225.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Smithsonian Institution is hereby authorized to cooperate with any State, educational institution, or scientific organization in the United States for continuing paleontological investigations, and the excavation and preservation of fossil remains, in areas which will be flooded by the construction of Government dams or otherwise be made unavailable for such investigations because of such construction: *Provided,* That such investigations and activities shall not duplicate nor affect adversely similar operations being conducted by the Department of Interior in cooperation with the Smithsonian Institution.

SEC. 2. That there is hereby authorized to be appropriated, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, the sum of \$65,000, which shall be available until expended for the above purposes: *Provided,* That at such time as the Smithsonian Institution is satisfied that any State agency, or any educational institution or scientific organization in any of the United States, is prepared to contribute to such investigation and when in its judgment such investigation shall appear meritorious, the Secretary of the Smithsonian Institution may make available for such investigation such amounts from this sum as shall be equal to the amounts contributed respectively by each such State agency, or educational institution or scientific organization: *Provided further,* That the amount to be made available from this sum for such investigation in cooperation with each such State agency, or educational institution or scientific organization, shall not exceed \$10,000 in any fiscal year: *Provided further,* That all such cooperative work and division of the result thereof shall be under the direction of the Secretary of the Smithsonian Institution: *Provided further,* That where lands are involved which are controlled by the Government of the United States, cooperative work thereon shall be under the provisions of the Act of June 8, 1906 (16 U. S. C. 432, 433), and rules and regulations pertaining thereto.

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[CHAPTER 428]

AN ACT

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To authorize the Secretary of Agriculture to sell certain lands to the Sisters of Saint Joseph in Arizona, Incorporated, of Tucson, Arizona, to consolidate the Desert Laboratory Experimental Area of the Southwestern Forest and Range Experiment Station, and for other purposes.

Sisters of Saint Joseph, Ariz.
Conveyance.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of Agriculture is hereby authorized in his discretion, to sell and convey, in whole or from time to time in separate parcels, by quitclaim deed or deeds, to the Sisters of Saint Joseph in Arizona, of the city of Tucson, State of Arizona, an Arizona corporation, for cash, at a price or prices not less than 50 per centum of the appraised fair market value thereof as determined by him, the following-described lands situated in the county of Pima, State of Arizona, to wit: That portion of tract 37, section 10, township 14 south, range 13 east, Gila and Salt River meridian, Arizona, as shown on the official public survey plat approved August 5, 1944, lying north of a line extending westerly from corner

numbered 7 of the official survey to the west line of said tract at a point twelve and forty one-hundredths chains south of official corner numbered 2, containing fifteen and eighty-six one-hundredths acres, more or less, subject, however, to a reservation to the United States of all uranium, thorium, and all other materials determined pursuant to section 5 (b) (1) of the Atomic Energy Act of 1946 (60 Stat. 755, 761), to be peculiarly essential to the production of fissionable material, as provided in Executive Order Numbered 9908 (12 F. R. 8223). Subject, also to a right-of-way forty feet in width outstanding in Pima County for the Silver Bell Road as now located and defined, and to the reservations contained in the United States patent to said lands. The proceeds of such sale or sales shall be available to the Secretary of Agriculture for the purchase of any lands described in the second section of this Act which are not owned by the United States and the construction of improvements for the Desert Laboratory of the Southwestern Forest and Range Experiment Station in replacement of the lands and facilities disposed of hereunder.

42 U. S. C. § 1805
(b) (1).

3 CFR, 1947 Supp.,
p. 176.

Proceeds of sale.

Coronado National
Forest, Ariz.

SEC. 2. That, subject to any valid existing claim or entry, all lands of the United States situated within the area hereafter described are hereby added to and made parts of the Coronado National Forest, State of Arizona, and all lands in the described area hereinafter acquired under the first and third sections of this Act shall thereupon become parts of the said national forest and shall be subject to the laws and regulations relating to the national forests, but shall be reserved from entry and location under the public lands and mining laws of the United States as an experimental area for watershed management and range research:

South half southeast quarter section 9; that portion of tract 37, section 10, township 14 south, range 13 east, Gila and Salt River meridian, Arizona, as established by the General Land Office, Department of the Interior, as approved by the Acting Assistant Commissioner on August 5, 1944, lying south of a line extending westerly from corner numbered 7 of the official survey to the west line of said tract at a point twelve and forty one-hundredths chains south of official corner numbered 2, containing nine and sixty one-hundredths acres, more or less; four acres, more or less, out of the south half southeast quarter northwest quarter southeast quarter, south half southwest quarter, southwest quarter southeast quarter, section 10; west half northwest quarter northeast quarter, west half section 15 and east half section 16, all in township 14 south, range 13 east, Gila and Salt River meridian.

SEC. 3. That the provisions of the Act approved March 20, 1922 (42 Stat. 465, 16 U. S. C. 485), as amended, are hereby extended and made applicable to all lands within the area described in the second section of this Act which are not owned by the United States.

16 U. S. C. §§ 485,
486.

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[CHAPTER 438]

AN ACT

To authorize the Commissioners of the District of Columbia to appoint contracting officers to make contracts in amounts not exceeding \$3,000.

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Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the first paragraph of section 2 of the Act entitled "An Act to grant additional powers to the Commissioners of the District of Columbia, and for other purposes", approved December 20, 1944 (58 Stat. 821, 822), is amended by striking out therefrom "\$1,000" and inserting in lieu thereof "\$3,000".

D. C. Code, Supp.
VII, § 1-245.

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