

Public Law 103-364
103d Congress

An Act

To establish the Saguaro National Park in the State of Arizona, and for other purposes.

Oct. 14, 1994
[S. 316]

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

Saguaro
National Park
Establishment
Act of 1994.
16 USC 410zz
note.

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

This Act may be cited as the "Saguaro National Park Establishment Act of 1994".

16 USC 410zz.

SEC. 2. FINDINGS AND PURPOSE.

The Congress finds that—

(1) the Saguaro National Monument was established by Presidential Proclamation in 1933;

(2) the Tucson Mountain unit was established by Presidential Proclamation in 1961;

(3) in recognition of the need to provide increased protection for the monument, the boundaries of Tucson Mountain unit were expanded in 1976, and the boundaries of Rincon unit were expanded in 1991;

(4) the Tucson Mountain unit continues to face threats to the integrity of its natural resources, scenic beauty, and habitat protection for which the unit was established;

(5) these threats impede opportunities for public enjoyment, education, and safety within the monument, as well as opportunities for solitude within the wilderness areas of the monument designated by Congress in 1976;

(6) the residential and commercial growth of the greater Tucson, Arizona metropolitan area is causing increasing threats to the monument's resources; and

(7) the Tucson Mountain unit should be enlarged by the addition of adjacent lands of National Park caliber and Saguaro National Monument should be afforded full recognition and statutory protection as a National Park.

SEC. 3. ESTABLISHMENT OF SAGUARO NATIONAL PARK.

16 USC 410zz-1.
16 USC 431 note.

There is hereby established the Saguaro National Park (hereinafter in this Act referred to as the "park") in the State of Arizona. The Saguaro National Monument is abolished as such, and all lands and interests therein are hereby incorporated within and made part of Saguaro National Park. Any reference to Saguaro National Monument shall be deemed a reference to Saguaro National Park, and any funds available for the purposes of the monument shall be available for purposes of the park.

16 USC 410zz-2. **SEC. 4. EXPANSION OF PARK BOUNDARIES.**

(a) **IN GENERAL.**—The boundaries of the park are hereby modified to reflect the addition of approximately 3,460 acres of land and interests therein as generally depicted on the map entitled “Saguaro National Monument Additions” and dated April, 1994.

(b) **LAND ACQUISITION.**—(1) Within the lands added to the park pursuant to subsection (a), the Secretary is authorized to acquire lands and interests therein by donation, purchase with donated or appropriated funds, transfer, or exchange: *Provided*, That no such lands or interests therein may be acquired without the consent of the owner thereof unless the Secretary determines that the land is being developed, or is proposed to be developed in a manner which is detrimental to the integrity of the park.

(2) Lands or interests therein owned by the State of Arizona or a political subdivision thereof may only be acquired by donation or exchange.

(c) **WITHDRAWAL.**—Subject to valid existing rights, all Federal lands within the park are hereby withdrawn from all forms of entry, appropriation, or disposal under the public land laws, from location, entry, or patent under the United States mining laws, and from disposition under all laws relating to mineral and geothermal leasing, and mineral materials, and all amendments thereto.

16 USC 410zz-3. **SEC. 5. AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.**

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

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