

Public Law 96-348
96th Congress

An Act

Sept. 12, 1980
[H.R. 1967]

To modify the boundary of the White River National Forest in the State of Colorado.

White River National Forest, Colo., boundary modification.

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

SECTION 1. The exterior boundary of the White River National Forest in the State of Colorado is hereby modified to include additional areas of approximately thirty-two thousand three hundred and seven (32,307) acres and three thousand eight hundred and forty-one (3,841) acres, in Eagle and Pitkin Counties, respectively, as generally depicted on the maps entitled "Boundary Modification, White River National Forest, Colorado" (Minturn Addition and Aspen Addition), dated July 1980.

SEC. 2. Except as provided in section 3 of this Act, all lands owned by the United States in the areas described in section 1 of this Act are hereby added to the White River National Forest, and except as provided in section 4 hereof, shall be administered in accordance with the laws, rules, and regulations applicable thereto.

SEC. 3. The tracts of land identified in sales applications, Bureau of Land Management, serial numbers C-14117 and C-28389, shall not become a part of the White River National Forest unless such applications are denied, and if they are denied in accordance with the laws, rules, and regulations applicable thereto, such lands shall become part of the national forest and be administered in accordance with section 2 of the date of issuance of the denial.

Permits or grazing authorizations.

SEC. 4. Except as provided in this section, nothing in this Act shall affect the validity or term of any existing withdrawal, right-of-way, license, lease, easement, or prospecting permit issued pursuant to the Mineral Leasing Act of 1920, as amended (30 U.S.C. 181 et seq.) covering lands transferred by this Act. Any other existing permit or grazing authorization covering lands transferred by this Act is hereby canceled effective December 31 of the year following enactment of this Act. During the period between enactment of this Act and said December 31, such permit or grazing authorization shall continue to be administered by the agency which initially issued the permit or grazing authorization. On or before said December 31, the holders of such permit or grazing authorization may apply for a new permit or grazing authorization to the agency which acquires administrative jurisdiction of the land which such prior authorizations cover. The provisions of section 402(g) of the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976 (43 U.S.C. 1752(g)) shall not apply to the termination of any grazing authorization pursuant to this section.

