

Water Commission, United States and Mexico, of a drainage conveyance canal through Mexican territory for the discharge of waters of El Morillo and other drains in the United Mexican States into the Gulf of Mexico in the manner, and having substantially the characteristics, described in said Commission's minute numbered 223, dated November 30, 1965. The agreement or agreements shall provide that the cost of construction including costs of design and right-of-way and the costs of operation and maintenance, shall be equally divided between the United Mexican States and the United States. Before concluding the agreement or agreements, the Secretary of State shall receive satisfactory assurances from private citizens or a responsible local group that they or it will pay to the United States Treasury one-half of the actual United States costs of such construction, including costs of design and right-of-way, and one-half of the actual costs of operation and maintenance allocated under such agreement or agreements to the United States. Payments to the United States Treasury under this section shall be covered into the Treasury as miscellaneous receipts.

(Pub. L. 89-584, §1, Sept. 19, 1966, 80 Stat. 808.)

**§ 277d-31. Authorization of appropriations**

To defray costs that accrue to the United States under the agreement or agreements referred to in section 277d-30 of this title for the construction, operation, and maintenance of drainage conveyance canal projects, there are authorized to be appropriated to the Department of State for use of the United States Section, International Boundary and Water Commission, United States and Mexico, the following amounts:

(1) Not to exceed \$690,000 for costs of construction.

(2) Upon completion of construction, not to exceed \$25,000 based on estimated calendar year 1976 costs, plus or minus such amounts as may be justified by reason of ordinary fluctuations in operation and maintenance costs involved therein, annually for costs of operation and maintenance.

(Pub. L. 89-584, §2, Sept. 19, 1966, 80 Stat. 808; Pub. L. 93-126, §7(a), Oct. 18, 1973, 87 Stat. 452; Pub. L. 95-105, title V, §514(a), Aug. 17, 1977, 91 Stat. 862.)

AMENDMENTS

1977—Par. (2). Pub. L. 95-105 inserted "based on estimated calendar year 1976 costs, plus or minus such amounts as may be justified by reason of ordinary fluctuations in operation and maintenance costs involved therein," after "\$25,000".

1973—Par. (2). Pub. L. 93-126 substituted "\$25,000" for "\$20,000".

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1977 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 95-105 effective Oct. 1, 1977, see section 514(d) of Pub. L. 95-105, set out as a note under section 277d-3 of this title.

**§ 277d-32. Tijuana River flood control project; agreement with Mexico for joint construction, operation and maintenance**

The Secretary of State, acting through the United States Commissioner, International

Boundary and Water Commission, United States and Mexico, is hereby authorized to conclude with the appropriate official or officials of the Government of Mexico an agreement for the joint construction, operation, and maintenance by the United States and Mexico, in accordance with the provisions of the treaty of February 3, 1944, with Mexico, of an international flood control project for the Tijuana River, which shall be located and have substantially the characteristics described in "Report on an International Flood Control Project, Tijuana River Basin", prepared by the United States Section, International Boundary and Water Commission, United States and Mexico.

(Pub. L. 89-640, §1, Oct. 10, 1966, 80 Stat. 884.)

**§ 277d-33. Authorization; construction, operation, and maintenance, appropriations, and acquisition of land**

Pursuant to the agreement concluded under the authority of section 277d-32 of this title, the United States Commissioner is authorized to construct, operate, and maintain the portion of the "International Flood Control Project, Tijuana River Basin," assigned to the United States, and there is hereby authorized to be appropriated to the Department of State for use of the United States section the sum of \$10,800,000 for construction costs of such project, as modified, based on estimated June 1976 prices, plus or minus such amounts as may be justified by reason of price index fluctuations in costs involved therein, and such sums as may be necessary for its maintenance and operation, except that no funds may be appropriated under sections 277d-32 and 277d-33 of this title for the fiscal year ending on September 30, 1977. Contingent upon the furnishing by the city of San Diego of its appropriate share of the funds for the acquisition of the land and interests therein needed to carry out the agreement between the United States and Mexico to construct such project, the Secretary of State, acting through the United States Commissioner, is further authorized to participate financially with non-Federal interests in the acquisition of said lands and interest therein, to the extent that funds provided by the city of San Diego are insufficient for this purpose.

(Pub. L. 89-640, §2, Oct. 10, 1966, 80 Stat. 884; Pub. L. 94-425, Sept. 28, 1976, 90 Stat. 1333.)

AMENDMENTS

1976—Pub. L. 94-425 substituted provisions authorizing appropriations of \$10,800,000 for construction costs for project based on June 1976 prices, with exception that no funds may be appropriated for fiscal year ending Sept. 30, 1977 for provisions authorizing appropriations not to exceed \$12,600,000 for construction costs for project, eliminated provision requiring approval of title by Attorney General, and inserted provision authorizing financial participation of Secretary of State through Commissioner to acquire land for construction of project contingent upon city of San Diego furnishing its appropriate share of funds.

**§ 277d-34. American-Mexican Boundary Treaty, authorization for carrying out treaty provisions; investigations; land acquisition, purposes; damages, repair or compensation**

In connection with the treaty between the United States of America and the United Mexican States to resolve pending boundary differences and maintain the Rio Grande and the Colorado River as the international boundary between the United States of America and the United Mexican States, signed November 23, 1970, (hereafter in this Act referred to as the "treaty"), the Secretary of State, acting through the United States Commissioner, International Boundary and Water Commission, United States, and Mexico (hereafter in this Act referred to as the "Commissioner"), is authorized—

(1) to conduct technical and other investigations relating to—

(A) the demarcation, mapping, monumentation, channel relocation, rectification, improvement, stabilization, and other matters relating to the preservation of the river boundaries between the United States and Mexico;

(B) the establishment and delimitation of the maritime boundaries in the Gulf of Mexico and in the Pacific Ocean;

(C) water resources; and

(D) the sanitation and the prevention of pollution;

(2) to acquire by donation, purchase, or condemnation, all lands or interests in lands required—

(A) for transfer to Mexico as provided in the treaty;

(B) for construction of that portion of new river channels and the adjoining levees in the territory of the United States;

(C) to preserve the Rio Grande and the Colorado River as the boundary by preventing the construction of works which may cause deflection or obstruction of the normal flow of the rivers or of their floodflows; and

(D) for relocation of any structure or facility, public or private, the relocation of which, in the judgment of the Commissioner, is necessitated by the project; and

(3) to remove, modify, or repair the damages caused to Mexico by works constructed in the United States which the International Boundary and Water Commission, United States and Mexico, as determined have an adverse effect on Mexico, or to compensate Mexico for such damages.

(Pub. L. 92-549, title I, § 101, Oct. 25, 1972, 86 Stat. 1161.)

REFERENCES IN TEXT

This Act, referred to in text, means Pub. L. 92-549, Oct. 25, 1972, 86 Stat. 1161, which enacted sections 277d-34 to 277d-42 of this title and amended section 1322 of Title 19, Customs Duties. For complete classification of this Act to the Code, see Short Title note set out below and Tables.

SHORT TITLE

Pub. L. 92-549, § 1, Oct. 25, 1972, 86 Stat. 1161, provided: "That this Act [enacting this section and sections

277d-35 to 277d-42 of this title and amending section 1322 of Title 19, Customs Duties] may be cited as the 'American-Mexican Boundary Treaty Act of 1972'."

**§ 277d-35. Construction, operation, and maintenance of works; property relocation, contracts; transfer of authority**

The Commissioner is authorized—

(1) to construct, operate, and maintain all works provided for in the treaty and title I of this Act;

(2) to enter into contracts with the owners of properties to be relocated whereby such owners undertake to perform, at the expense of the United States, any or all operations involved in such relocations; and

(3) to turn over the operation and maintenance of any works referred to in paragraph (1) of this section to any Federal agency, or any State, county, municipality, district, or other political subdivision within which such works may be situated, in whole or in part, upon such terms, conditions, and requirements as the Commissioner may deem appropriate.

(Pub. L. 92-549, title I, § 102, Oct. 25, 1972, 86 Stat. 1161.)

REFERENCES IN TEXT

This Act, referred to in text, is Pub. L. 92-549, Oct. 25, 1972, 86 Stat. 1161, known as the "American-Mexican Boundary Treaty Act of 1972". Title I of this Act enacted sections 277d-34 to 277d-40 of this title and amended section 1322 of Title 19, Customs Duties. For complete classification of this Act to the Code, see Short Title note set out under section 277d-34 of this title and Tables.

**§ 277d-36. Sale of excess land**

Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the Commissioner is authorized to dispose of by warranty deed, or otherwise, any land acquired by him on behalf of the United States, or obtained by the United States pursuant to treaty between the United States and Mexico, and not required for project purposes, under procedures to be formulated by the Commissioner, to adjoining landowners at such price as he considers fair and equitable, and, if not so disposed of, to turn such land over to the General Services Administration for disposal under the provisions of chapters 1 to 11 of title 40 and division C (except sections 3302, 3307(e), 3501(b), 3509, 3906, 4710, and 4711) of subtitle I of title 41.

(Pub. L. 92-549, title I, § 103, Oct. 25, 1972, 86 Stat. 1162.)

CODIFICATION

In text, "chapters 1 to 11 of title 40 and division C (except sections 3302, 3307(e), 3501(b), 3509, 3906, 4710, and 4711) of subtitle I of title 41" substituted for "the Federal Property and Administrative Services Act of 1949" on authority of Pub. L. 107-217, § 5(c), Aug. 21, 2002, 116 Stat. 1303, which Act enacted Title 40, Public Buildings, Property, and Works, and Pub. L. 111-350, § 6(c), Jan. 4, 2011, 124 Stat. 3854, which Act enacted Title 41, Public Contracts.

**§ 277d-37. Channel shifts; boundary determination**

When a determination must be made under the treaty whether to permit a new channel to be-