

Votes for Women History Trail – Legislative Summary

<p>Omnibus Appropriations Act for Fiscal Year 1999 (P.L. 105-277)</p>	<p>Provided \$100,000 for a trail study related to Women's Rights National Historical Park.</p>	<p>U.S. Representative Louise Slaughter was the primary sponsor for the study and earlier had introduced legislation directing the NPS to study the feasibility of designating a women's rights national historic trail from Boston, MA to Buffalo, NY. Though unsuccessful on its own, that bill informed the development of the trail called for in PL 105-277.</p>
<p>Votes for Women History Trail Act of 2002 (HR 4072) – introduced by U.S. Representative Louise Slaughter on March 20, 2002.</p>	<p>To authorize the Secretary of the Interior to establish a commemorative trail in connection with the Women's Rights NHP to link properties that are historically and thematically associated with the struggle for women's suffrage, and for other purposes.</p>	<p>This legislation focused exclusively on the trail. It was not enacted.</p> <p>Attached are Rep. Slaughter's introductory remarks.</p>
<p>Women's Rights History Trail Feasibility Study released for public review– June 2002</p>		
<p>Votes for Women History Trail Act of 2003 – introduced in the House as HR 1524 by Representative Slaughter on March 31, 2003 and in the Senate as S 749 by Senator Hillary Rodham Clinton on April 1, 2003.</p>	<p>To authorize the Secretary of the Interior to establish a commemorative trail in connection with the Women's Rights NHP to link properties that are historically and thematically associated with the struggle for women's suffrage, and for other purposes.</p>	<p>This legislation focused exclusively on the trail. It was not enacted.</p> <p>Attached are Sen. Clinton's introductory remarks.</p>
<p>Women's Rights History Trail Feasibility Study transmitted to Congress – January 2004</p>		
<p>National Women's Rights History Project Act of 2005 (HR 3779) introduced by U.S. Representative Slaughter on September 14, 2005</p>	<p>To authorize the Secretary of the Interior to establish a commemorative trail in connection with the Women's Rights NHP to link properties that are historically and thematically associated with the struggle for women's suffrage, and for other purposes.</p>	<p>This legislation included the trail but also introduced the inventory/ documentation and network concepts. It was not enacted.</p>
<p>National Women's Rights History Project Act – introduced in the House as HR 3114 by Representative Slaughter and in the Senate as S1816 by Senator Clinton on July 19, 2007.</p>	<p>To authorize the Secretary of the Interior to establish a commemorative trail in connection with the Women's Rights NHP to link properties that are historically and thematically associated with the struggle for women's suffrage, and for other purposes.</p>	<p>This legislation included the trail, inventory/documentation, and network concepts. A subcommittee hearing was held on the House side on September 11, 2008 and on the Senate side on July 30, 2008. The bill was amended by the Senate Committee.</p> <p>Senator Clinton's introductory remarks and the Senate committee report are attached.</p> <p>This bill was not enacted.</p>
<p>Omnibus Public Lands Management Act of 2009 (P.L. 111-11) – Title VII, Section 7111</p>	<p>The language in this act is fundamentally the same as that in bills filed in 2005 and 2007</p>	<p>This legislation was signed into law by President Obama on March 30, 2009</p>

Public Law 111–11
111th Congress

An Act

To designate certain land as components of the National Wilderness Preservation System, to authorize certain programs and activities in the Department of the Interior and the Department of Agriculture, and for other purposes.

Mar. 30, 2009
[H.R. 146]

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

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE; TABLE OF CONTENTS.

(a) SHORT TITLE.—This Act may be cited as the “Omnibus Public Land Management Act of 2009”.

(b) TABLE OF CONTENTS.—The table of contents of this Act is as follows:

Omnibus
Public Land
Management Act
of 2009.
16 USC 1 note.

Sec. 1. Short title; table of contents.

TITLE I—ADDITIONS TO THE NATIONAL WILDERNESS PRESERVATION SYSTEM

Subtitle A—Wild Monongahela Wilderness

- Sec. 1001. Designation of wilderness, Monongahela National Forest, West Virginia.
- Sec. 1002. Boundary adjustment, Laurel Fork South Wilderness, Monongahela National Forest.
- Sec. 1003. Monongahela National Forest boundary confirmation.
- Sec. 1004. Enhanced Trail Opportunities.

Subtitle B—Virginia Ridge and Valley Wilderness

- Sec. 1101. Definitions.
- Sec. 1102. Designation of additional National Forest System land in Jefferson National Forest as wilderness or a wilderness study area.
- Sec. 1103. Designation of Kimberling Creek Potential Wilderness Area, Jefferson National Forest, Virginia.
- Sec. 1104. Seng Mountain and Bear Creek Scenic Areas, Jefferson National Forest, Virginia.
- Sec. 1105. Trail plan and development.
- Sec. 1106. Maps and boundary descriptions.
- Sec. 1107. Effective date.

Subtitle C—Mt. Hood Wilderness, Oregon

- Sec. 1201. Definitions.
- Sec. 1202. Designation of wilderness areas.
- Sec. 1203. Designation of streams for wild and scenic river protection in the Mount Hood area.
- Sec. 1204. Mount Hood National Recreation Area.
- Sec. 1205. Protections for Crystal Springs, Upper Big Bottom, and Cultus Creek.
- Sec. 1206. Land exchanges.
- Sec. 1207. Tribal provisions; planning and studies.

Subtitle D—Copper Salmon Wilderness, Oregon

- Sec. 1301. Designation of the Copper Salmon Wilderness.
- Sec. 1302. Wild and Scenic River Designations, Elk River, Oregon.
- Sec. 1303. Protection of tribal rights.

Subtitle E—Cascade-Siskiyou National Monument, Oregon

- Sec. 1401. Definitions.

SEC. 7111. WOMEN'S RIGHTS NATIONAL HISTORICAL PARK.

(a) VOTES FOR WOMEN TRAIL.—Title XVI of Public Law 96-607 (16 U.S.C. 4101l) is amended by adding at the end the following:

New York.
16 USC 469m.

“SEC. 1602. VOTES FOR WOMEN TRAIL.

16 USC 4101l-1.

“(a) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

“(1) PARK.—The term ‘Park’ means the Women’s Rights National Historical Park established by section 1601.

“(2) SECRETARY.—The term ‘Secretary’ means the Secretary of the Interior, acting through the Director of the National Park Service.

“(3) STATE.—The term ‘State’ means the State of New York.

“(4) TRAIL.—The term ‘Trail’ means the Votes for Women History Trail Route designated under subsection (b).

“(b) ESTABLISHMENT OF TRAIL ROUTE.—The Secretary, with concurrence of the agency having jurisdiction over the relevant roads, may designate a vehicular tour route, to be known as the ‘Votes for Women History Trail Route’, to link properties in the State that are historically and thematically associated with the struggle for women’s suffrage in the United States.

“(c) ADMINISTRATION.—The Trail shall be administered by the National Park Service through the Park.

“(d) ACTIVITIES.—To facilitate the establishment of the Trail and the dissemination of information regarding the Trail, the Secretary shall—

“(1) produce and disseminate appropriate educational materials regarding the Trail, such as handbooks, maps, exhibits, signs, interpretive guides, and electronic information;

“(2) coordinate the management, planning, and standards of the Trail in partnership with participating properties, other Federal agencies, and State and local governments;

“(3) create and adopt an official, uniform symbol or device to mark the Trail; and

“(4) issue guidelines for the use of the symbol or device adopted under paragraph (3).

Guidelines.

“(e) ELEMENTS OF TRAIL ROUTE.—Subject to the consent of the owner of the property, the Secretary may designate as an official stop on the Trail—

“(1) all units and programs of the Park relating to the struggle for women’s suffrage;

“(2) other Federal, State, local, and privately owned properties that the Secretary determines have a verifiable connection to the struggle for women’s suffrage; and

“(3) other governmental and nongovernmental facilities and programs of an educational, commemorative, research, or interpretive nature that the Secretary determines to be directly related to the struggle for women’s suffrage.

“(f) COOPERATIVE AGREEMENTS AND MEMORANDA OF UNDERSTANDING.—

“(1) IN GENERAL.—To facilitate the establishment of the Trail and to ensure effective coordination of the Federal and

non-Federal properties designated as stops along the Trail, the Secretary may enter into cooperative agreements and memoranda of understanding with, and provide technical and financial assistance to, other Federal agencies, the State, localities, regional governmental bodies, and private entities.

“(2) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—There are authorized to be appropriated to the Secretary such sums as are necessary for the period of fiscal years 2009 through 2013 to provide financial assistance to cooperating entities pursuant to agreements or memoranda entered into under paragraph (1).”.

(b) NATIONAL WOMEN’S RIGHTS HISTORY PROJECT NATIONAL REGISTRY.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of the Interior (referred to in this section as the “Secretary”) may make annual grants to State historic preservation offices for not more than 5 years to assist the State historic preservation offices in surveying, evaluating, and nominating to the National Register of Historic Places women’s rights history properties.

(2) ELIGIBILITY.—In making grants under paragraph (1), the Secretary shall give priority to grants relating to properties associated with the multiple facets of the women’s rights movement, such as politics, economics, education, religion, and social and family rights.

Web posting.

(3) UPDATES.—The Secretary shall ensure that the National Register travel itinerary website entitled “Places Where Women Made History” is updated to contain—

(A) the results of the inventory conducted under paragraph (1); and

(B) any links to websites related to places on the inventory.

(4) COST-SHARING REQUIREMENT.—The Federal share of the cost of any activity carried out using any assistance made available under this subsection shall be 50 percent.

(5) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—There is authorized to be appropriated to the Secretary to carry out this subsection \$1,000,000 for each of fiscal years 2009 through 2013.

(c) NATIONAL WOMEN’S RIGHTS HISTORY PROJECT PARTNERSHIPS NETWORK.—

(1) GRANTS.—The Secretary may make matching grants and give technical assistance for development of a network of governmental and nongovernmental entities (referred to in this subsection as the “network”), the purpose of which is to provide interpretive and educational program development of national women’s rights history, including historic preservation.

Designation.

(2) MANAGEMENT OF NETWORK.—

(A) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary shall, through a competitive process, designate a nongovernmental managing network to manage the network.

(B) COORDINATION.—The nongovernmental managing entity designated under subparagraph (A) shall work in partnership with the Director of the National Park Service and State historic preservation offices to coordinate operation of the network.

(3) COST-SHARING REQUIREMENT.—

(A) IN GENERAL.—The Federal share of the cost of any activity carried out using any assistance made available under this subsection shall be 50 percent.

(B) STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICES.—Matching grants for historic preservation specific to the network may be made available through State historic preservation offices.

(4) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—There is authorized to be appropriated to the Secretary to carry out this subsection \$1,000,000 for each of fiscal years 2009 through 2013.

SEC. 7112. MARTIN VAN BUREN NATIONAL HISTORIC SITE.

New York.
16 USC 461 note.

(a) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

(1) HISTORIC SITE.—The term “historic site” means the Martin Van Buren National Historic Site in the State of New York established by Public Law 93-486 (16 U.S.C. 461 note) on October 26, 1974.

(2) MAP.—The term “map” means the map entitled “Boundary Map, Martin Van Buren National Historic Site”, numbered “460/80801”, and dated January 2005.

(3) SECRETARY.—The term “Secretary” means the Secretary of the Interior.

(b) BOUNDARY ADJUSTMENTS TO THE HISTORIC SITE.—

(1) BOUNDARY ADJUSTMENT.—The boundary of the historic site is adjusted to include approximately 261 acres of land identified as the “PROPOSED PARK BOUNDARY”, as generally depicted on the map.

(2) ACQUISITION AUTHORITY.—The Secretary may acquire the land and any interests in the land described in paragraph (1) from willing sellers by donation, purchase with donated or appropriated funds, or exchange.

(3) AVAILABILITY OF MAP.—The map shall be on file and available for public inspection in the appropriate offices of the National Park Service.

(4) ADMINISTRATION.—Land acquired for the historic site under this section shall be administered as part of the historic site in accordance with applicable law (including regulations).

(c) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—There are authorized to be appropriated such sums as are necessary to carry out this section.

SEC. 7113. PALO ALTO BATTLEFIELD NATIONAL HISTORICAL PARK.

Texas.

(a) DESIGNATION OF PALO ALTO BATTLEFIELD NATIONAL HISTORICAL PARK.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—The Palo Alto Battlefield National Historic Site shall be known and designated as the “Palo Alto Battlefield National Historical Park”.

16 USC 410nmn
note.

(2) REFERENCES.—Any reference in a law, map, regulation, document, paper, or other record of the United States to the historic site referred to in subsection (a) shall be deemed to be a reference to the Palo Alto Battlefield National Historical Park.

16 USC 410nmn
note.

(3) CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.—The Palo Alto Battlefield National Historic Site Act of 1991 (16 U.S.C. 461 note; Public Law 102-304) is amended—

(A) by striking “National Historic Site” each place it appears and inserting “National Historical Park”;