Public Law 103-170
103d Congress

An Act

To amend the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act to designate certain segments of the Red River in Kentucky as components of the national wild and scenic rivers system, and for other purposes.

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

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

This Act may be cited as the “Red River Designation Act of 1993”.

SEC. 2. FINDINGS.

Congress finds that—

(1) the natural, scenic, and recreational qualities of the Red River in Kentucky are unique and irreplaceable resources; and

(2) the majority of the Red River corridor is within the Red River National Geologic area, which contains sedimentary rock formations unique to Kentucky and the United States, and should therefore be preserved for public enjoyment.

SEC. 3. DESIGNATION OF RIVER.

Section 3(a) of the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act (16 U.S.C. 1274(a)) is amended by adding at the end the following new paragraph:

"(A) RED RIVER, KENTUCKY.—The 19.4-mile segment of the Red River extending from the Highway 746 Bridge to the School House Branch, to be administered by the Secretary of Agriculture in the following classes:

(i) The 9.1-mile segment known as the ‘Upper Gorge’ from the Highway 746 Bridge to Swift Camp Creek, as a wild river. This segment is identified as having the same boundary as the Kentucky Wild River.

(ii) The 10.3-mile segment known as the ‘Lower Gorge’ from Swift Camp Creek to the School House Branch, as a recreational river.

(B) There are authorized to be appropriated such sums as are necessary to carry out this paragraph."
SEC. 4. LIMITATION.

Nothing in this Act, or in the amendment to the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act made by this Act, shall be construed as authorizing any acquisition of any scenic easement that without the consent of such landowner would affect any regular use of relevant lands that was exercised prior to the acquisition of such easement.

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