



office of Price Administration, and other defense agencies. Later he became director of forest economics research activities of the Forest Service.

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In recommending a new bureau for outdoor recreation, the Outdoor Recreation resources Review Commission--a blue-ribbon commission composed of outstanding conservationists and members of congress--said:

"There are now more than 20 Federal Agencies with programs involving some aspect of outdoor recreation. A similar multiplicity is found among State agencies. While the programs of these agencies are generally well planned in themselves, little thought is given to the over-all development of outdoor recreation throughout the Nation.

"There is at present no focal point for coordination of recreation policy, planning, programs, or management. Over-all responsibility for initiating and building a national effort in outdoor recreation has never been explicitly assigned...After consideration of all possibilities, the recommendation for a new bureau in the Department of the Interior is made as the most likely to be accepted."

Secretary Udall created the new bureau under the authority conferred on him by Reorganization Plan #3, approved by the 82nd Congress in 1950.

Besides administering the current State cooperative services under 1936 legislation and the proposed State assistance program on which legislation will soon be submitted, the new bureau will assist the Secretary in carrying out his federal outdoor recreation coordination responsibilities, sponsor and conduct recreation research, conduct recreation resource surveys, develop a nationwide recreation plan, and disseminate outdoor recreation information.

Secretary Udall said a nucleus organization is being formed and a number of the functions of the Park Service's Division of Recreation Resource Planning are being transferred to the new bureau. The new bureau will coordinate recreational planning, rather than carry out land-management functions of existing agencies.

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