

SAWTOOTH NATIONAL RECREATION AREA

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 23, 1967

U.S. SENATE,
SUBCOMMITTEE ON PARKS AND RECREATION OF THE
COMMITTEE ON INTERIOR AND INSULAR AFFAIRS,
Washington, D.C.

The subcommittee met, pursuant to notice, at 10:10 a.m., in room 3110, New Senate Office Building, Senator Alan Bible (chairman) presiding.

Present: Senators Bible, Church, Kuchel, Jordan of Idaho, and Hansen.

Also present: Jerry T. Verkler, staff director; Stewart French, chief counsel; Roy Whitacre, professional staff member; Mike Griswold, professional staff member; Porter Ward, professional staff member; and E. Lewis Reid, minority counsel.

Senator BIBLE. Gentlemen, the hearing will come to order.

This is the time regularly scheduled to take testimony on S. 1267, the bill to authorize the establishment of the Sawtooth National Recreation Area in the State of Idaho.

The measure is cosponsored by our two distinguished colleagues from Idaho, Senators Church and Jordan.

Field hearings were conducted on a similar measure in Idaho last year, where many local interested persons were given a chance to express their views on the proposal. Following the hearings, the committee had an opportunity to view the Sawtooths and the surrounding area by helicopter.

Before calling on the sponsors for any comments they care to make, a copy of the bill and the reports of the executive departments will be made a part of the record.

(The data referred to follow:)

[S. 1267, 90th Cong., first sess.]

A BILL To establish the Sawtooth National Recreation Area in the State of Idaho, and for other purposes

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That, in order to assure the preservation of, and to protect the scenic, historic, pastoral, fish and wildlife, and other recreational values of the Sawtooth Mountains and adjacent valley lands, there is hereby established, subject to valid existing rights, the Sawtooth National Recreation Area.

SEC. 2. The boundaries of the recreation area shall be those shown on the map entitled "Proposed Sawtooth National Recreation Area", dated April 1, 1966, which is on file and available for public inspection in the office of the Chief, Forest Service, Department of Agriculture. The Secretary of Agriculture (hereinafter called the "Secretary") shall, as soon as practicable after the date this Act takes effect, publish in the Federal Register a notice of the establishment of the Sawtooth National Recreation Area, together with a detailed description and map showing the boundaries thereof.