

there before this Appropriations Committee every time saying, Brother Day told us that we simply have to have this money, or we can't go back to Idaho. And they put on an effective case. But the demand for money is terrific.

Mr. DAY. As a taxpayer, I would be the first to defend your watching the purse very carefully. But I would also like to emphasize the uniqueness of this area. This is something special——

Senator BIBLE. I know it is.

Mr. DAY (continuing). As a lot of other places are, but I am advocating this one. I make no apologies for it. It is great. And I want to see it done right. And in comparison to some of those others that you mentioned it would be relatively inexpensive, I am sure.

Senator BIBLE. I heard the price tag this morning. I don't know whether \$9 million is relatively inexpensive or not, or a total development of \$27 million. It is a matter of judgment, I think. But I have found all of these become expensive. And I think they are great additions to our overall park and recreation area. But they all cost money, whether the Park Service does it or the Forest Service does it, it is going to cost you money. And there are just so many dollars to go around. We will do the best we can. I have noticed that Idaho certainly gets a tremendous amount of that Federal tax money. You are very well represented. An awful lot of it comes back to Idaho.

Mr. DAY. Thank you.

Senator CHURCH. May I just say here, Ernie, that our purpose in putting in section 12 was, of course, not to restrict the development money to the land and water conservation fund, but just to make it clear that this is an authorized use for that money. It was to add a source that we thought was appropriate for development and acquisition.

Mr. DAY. And the point I am trying to make, Senator Bible, is that while this may be expensive now, in the very near future, as was the case just by the population explosion, it will be much more expensive later, and it might be a good investment to nail down as much of it as we can right now.

Senator BIBLE. I couldn't agree with you more. If we could come up with this magic formula it would help a good deal. Senator Kuchel has gone. He mentioned Point Reyes. That was authorized at \$14 million, and it is costing us \$57 million. And that is true of every park that is created. If we had the dollars in the left hand to do what we authorized to do in the right hand we would be in a far better business position. But we haven't come up with the magic formula of being able to do this. And we have siphoned off funds in various ways to create the outdoor recreation fund and the land and water conservation fund. So we are doing everything we can to acquire these properties just as quickly as we can.

But you are right, every day's delay is going to cost us more. We all have the same philosophy, we are all trying to do the same thing, but we haven't got the magic answer yet. But we are going to do our best to see that you are funded at an early date.

Mr. DAY. Fine. Thank you.

Another lesser concern is the fact that the Forest Service's management plan is not, at present, too well defined. I am of the personal opinion, however, that the same organization which many years