

develop and enforce standards, and mining and reclamation requirements for the administration and regulation of future coal mining operations by strip or surface methods within such State, shall submit to the Secretary a State plan for the development of such standards and their enforcement.

(b) The Secretary may approve the plan submitted by a State under subsection (a) or any modification thereof, whenever the State gives evidence satisfactory to the Secretary that under such plan—

(1) the standards proposed in the State plan conform to or exceed the Federal standards adopted pursuant to sections 101 and 102 of this title;

(2) appropriate provisions are included relating to (a) the control or elimination of water pollution, (b) the control of soil erosion, (c) the elimination of health and safety hazards, (d) the conservation and preservation of natural resources, (e) the return of the land to productive use after mining, and (f) the restoration of natural beauty;

(3) the State will provide adequate financial resources and administrative personnel to provide enforcement, plan land use, render technical advisory assistance, and conduct appropriate research on mining and reclamation methods;

(4) the establishment of formal training programs for operators, supervisors, reclamation and enforcement officials in methods of effective mining and reclamation practices and techniques is authorized if needed; and

(5) the State shall make such reports to the Secretary, in such form and containing such information, as the Secretary shall, from time to time, require.

(c) The Secretary shall, on the basis of reports submitted by the State and his own inspection of coal mines, make a continuing evaluation of the manner in which each State having a plan approved under this section is carrying out such plan. Whenever the Secretary finds, after affording due notice and opportunity for a hearing, that in the administration of the State plan there is a failure to comply substantially with any provision of the State plan he shall notify the State of his withdrawal of approval of such plan and upon receipt of such notice such plan shall cease to be in effect.

(d) The provisions of sections 101 and 102 pertaining to the Federal standards and mining and reclamation requirements for the administration and regulation of future coal mining operations by strip or surface method shall not be applicable in any State in which there is a State plan approved under subsection (b) of this section.

Sec. 104. The Secretary is authorized at any time to cause to be made in a coal mine or previously mined area such inspections and investigations as he shall deem necessary for the purpose of determining compliance with applicable rules, regulations, standards, and reclamation requirements.

Sec. 105. For the purpose of making any inspection or investigation authorized by this Act, authorized representatives of the Secretary shall be entitled to admission to, and shall have the right of entry upon or through, any coal mine or previously mined area.

TITLE II—RECLAMATION AND CONSERVATION OF SURFACE AND STRIP MINED COAL LANDS OWNED BY STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENTS IN THE UNITED STATES

Sec. 201. It is the purpose of this title to facilitate the reclamation and conservation of lands and waters owned by State and local governments that have been adversely affected by coal mining operations and have not been reclaimed in accordance with modern standards prior to the enactment of this Act, by providing authority to the Secretary to enter into agreements with the States and local governments to provide funds for their reclamation.

Sec. 202. (a) (1) To carry out the purpose of this title, the Secretary is authorized to enter into agreements with the various States and local bodies of government for the conservation and reclamation of surface and strip mined coal lands presently owned or hereafter acquired by them.

(2) Each such agreement shall describe (A) the actions to be taken by the Secretary and by the State or local body of government, (B) the estimated cost of these actions, (C) the public benefits expected to be derived, including but not limited to the benefits to the economy of the State or local area, abatement or alleviation of land and water pollution, public recreation, fish and wildlife, and public health and safety, and (D) the share of the costs to be borne by the Fed-