

Mr. ASPINALL. In other words, what you are saying is about 150 million board feet?

Dr. CRAFTS. 150 to 200 million board feet; yes.

Mr. ASPINALL. What is the cost of the park? I notice each of the bills has an open-ended authorization. What is the cost?

Mr. HARTZOG. Mr. Chairman, the private land costs for both the proposed national park and the two recreation areas are \$3,402,000.

Mr. ASPINALL. You don't propose buying anything from the Federal Government?

Mr. HARTZOG. No, sir.

Mr. ASPINALL. This is the total cost?

Mr. HARTZOG. That is the total land cost; yes, sir. Then the development costs in the first 5 years, we propose \$28,775,000. Future years, \$6,520,000, for a total of \$35,295,000.

Mr. ASPINALL. As I understand it, this takes into consideration all of those mining claims that may be found to be valid mining claims?

Mr. HARTZOG. That takes into account those which we think will be valid and I would be happy to provide that figure, which we think is valid, for the files of the committee. I would prefer not to release it to the open record.

Mr. ASPINALL. Mr. Chairman, I would like to have it as part of our files.

Mr. TAYLOR. Without objection, it will be presented for our files.

(The information referred to will be found in the confidential files of the subcommittee.)

Mr. ASPINALL. What will this legislation do to the much publicized mining claim known as the Silver King, which is the Kennicott operation?

Dr. CRAFTS. That is the Miners' Ridge area. That is just north of Glacier Peak. That is the Kennecott operation. It would have no effect on it whatsoever.

Mr. ASPINALL. In other words, that is left outside?

Dr. CRAFTS. That is in an existing wilderness area now and there is nothing in this bill that would change it.

Mr. ASPINALL. They have until 1983 to pursue their values, is that correct?

Dr. CRAFTS. Yes, sir.

Mr. ASPINALL. If they can find values and get a patent, they would be permitted to carry on their operations until they took care of the deposit that they had discovered and validated.

Dr. CRAFTS. That is correct.

Mr. ASPINALL. What would be your position, Mr. Secretary, if the Congress were to follow through with the suggestion made on the floor recently, as we were discussing some legislation similar to this, that the final determination on establishment of this national park and recreation area should be dependent upon the securing of private holdings and the potential private holdings within the area, either by option or purchase, before we establish this?

Secretary UDALL. Well, Mr. Chairman, this, in one sense, has a desirable aspect to it, but the time consumed was hinted at a moment ago in validating and looking into the validity of mining claims and other matters, which might delay this inordinately, and it would be our feeling in this type of situation it would not be wise, particularly where