

B. PURCHASE CREDITS IN, ESTABLISH, OR MAINTAIN A FOREST MITIGATION BANK IN THE COUNTY OR WATERSHED IN WHICH THE CONSTRUCTION ACTIVITY IS LOCATED IN ACCORDANCE WITH DEPARTMENT REGULATIONS.

(II) 1. THE FUND MAY NOT BE USED TO FINANCE ADMINISTRATIVE ACTIVITIES ASSOCIATED WITH A MITIGATION BANK.

2. ANY CREDITS CREATED BY THE FUND MAY NOT BE SOLD TO COMPENSATE FOR ADDITIONAL FOREST IMPACTS.

(III) 1. THE DEPARTMENT SHALL ACCOMPLISH THE REFORESTATION FOR WHICH MONEY IS DEPOSITED IN THE FUND WITHIN 1 YEAR OR TWO GROWING SEASONS AFTER PROJECT COMPLETION, AS APPROPRIATE.

2. MONEY DEPOSITED IN THE FUND UNDER SUBSECTION (D) OF THIS SECTION SHALL REMAIN IN THE FUND FOR A PERIOD OF 1 YEAR OR TWO GROWING SEASONS, AND AT THE END OF THAT TIME PERIOD, ANY PORTION THAT IS NOT USED TO MEET THE REFORESTATION REQUIREMENTS SHALL BE RETURNED TO THE CONSTRUCTING AGENCY.

(8) (I) THE TREASURER SHALL INVEST THE MONEY OF THE FUND IN THE SAME MANNER AS OTHER STATE MONEY MAY BE INVESTED.

(II) ANY INVESTMENT EARNINGS OF THE FUND ~~MAY NOT BE TRANSFERRED OR REVERT~~ SHALL BE CREDITED TO THE GENERAL FUND OF THE STATE, BUT SHALL REMAIN IN THE FUND.

(9) EXPENDITURES FROM THE FUND MAY BE MADE ONLY IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE STATE BUDGET.

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(b) The Secretary shall promulgate rules and regulations regarding equipment standards and the operation of off-road vehicles by type, as defined in § 10-410(d) of this article, on property owned or controlled by the Department. He shall conduct appropriate studies and, by January 1, 1975 he shall designate and identify areas for use by the general public for operation of motorcycles, snowmobiles and other off-road vehicles on that property exclusive of wildlife management areas or State fisheries management areas to the extent such use is compatible with the character and established uses of property controlled by the Department. Prior to March 31, 1976, every off-road vehicle to be used on Department of Natural Resources lands shall be registered and provided suitable identification by the Department of Natural Resources, which shall charge an annual uniform fee for all registrants, revenues derived from which shall be used to acquire and maintain areas for off-road vehicle use by the general public. ~~REVENUES FROM THE FEE ARE NOT SUBJECT TO § 7-302 OF THE STATE FINANCE AND PROCUREMENT ARTICLE, AND ANY INVESTMENT EARNINGS FROM THE REVENUES MAY NOT BE TRANSFERRED OR REVERT~~ ANY INVESTMENT EARNINGS DERIVED FROM THE REVENUES SHALL BE CREDITED TO THE GENERAL FUND OF THE STATE. ANY UNSPENT PORTIONS OF THE FUND AT THE END OF A FISCAL YEAR SHALL REVERT TO THE GENERAL FUND OF THE