Weeks Act Summary
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Section 1  Agreement between United States and several states for the purpose of conserving the forests and water supply of the states

Section 2  Appropriation ( $200,000.00) for fire protection in the watersheds Provided that the state has appropriated an equivalent amount for a system of forest fire protection, for the same fiscal year.

Section 3  Appropriation ($1 million for fiscal 1910, and $2 million thereafter until 1915) for examination, survey and acquirement of lands. Limited to headwaters of navigable streams or those which are being or which may be developed for navigable purposes.

Section 4  Established a National Forest Reservation Commission

Section 5  Report of Commission to Congress

Section 6  Sec’y of Agriculture to recommend and report, with examination by US Geological Survey

Section 7  Sec’y of Agriculture authorized to purchase land with consent of state legislature

Section 8  Land title satisfactory to US Atty. General and vested in United States

Section 9  regarding authorization and title to land, reserving some timber and mineral rights to seller, if specified in conveyance

Section 10  Resale of small tracts of agricultural land inadvertently included in purchase

Section 11  Permanently reserved as national forests

Section 12  State jurisdiction preserved except for punishment of federal offenses

Section 13  Five per cent of funds received from each forest to state for schools and roads in the counties involved
Section 14  $25,000 appropriated for expenses of Commission