

B. Requests for Special Account Reserve Funds for a New Land Acquisition or Projects

Funds from the Special Accounts Reserves (SAR) may also be requested to serve as a response to safety issues that pose an imminent threat and require immediate remediation, and respond to unique opportunities or unanticipated circumstances that require fast action. Such circumstances would result in a request for SAR funds to accomplish a new project or acquisition not included in the Secretary's approval

The Special Accounts Reserves are not meant to circumvent the normal nomination and approval process. Federal agencies and local and regional governmental entities should recognize that new acquisitions and projects funded from the Special Accounts Reserves will not have received the same kind of consultation, coordination and collaboration that occurs as a part of the normal nomination process. Thus, every attempt should be made to use the normal nomination process where possible.

Requests for funding of new projects or acquisitions from the SARs must include all the documentation required for a nomination of any type under the normal process. In addition, the request should include a cover letter which explains the special circumstances that warrant consideration for funding from the Special Account Reserve. Requests are to be submitted to the LSA Division. This office will coordinate the quick review of the SARs request by the pertinent Subgroup and the Partners Working Group. Requests that are recommended by the Working Group are then forwarded to the Executive Committee for approval. The Executive Committee will consider the political sensitivity of the request and may condition the approval with consultation or other requirements as they see fit.

VII. IMPLEMENTATION AGREEMENT MAINTENANCE

This Implementation Agreement is expected to evolve during the life of the Acts. Maintenance of the Implementation Agreement is the responsibility of the Partners Working Group. The Land Sales & Acquisitions Division will prepare draft revisions based on processes put into place with the Executive Committee since the previous version was approved, LSA Division recommendations, Executive Committee decisions regarding changes in policy, comments and suggestions from Federal managers and SNPLMA Subgroup members, and Working Group recommendations. The LSA Division will distribute the draft revisions for review and comment by the subgroups and others involved in implementation of the Acts. A final draft approved by the Working Group will be submitted to the Executive Committee. All proposed changes must be approved by the Executive Committee before they take effect.