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320-ACRE WITHDRAWAL AIDS IDAHO WATERFOWL PROJECT

Approval of a public land order withdrawing 320 acres of public lands in Idaho for use of the Idaho Department of Fish and Game as a waterfowl feeding, nesting and resting area was announced today by Secretary of the Interior Fred A. Seaton. The lands will be used in connection with the Carey Lake Migratory Bird Management Area, which was created in 1948 as a Federal aid wildlife restoration project.

Idaho will assume jurisdiction over the withdrawn lands upon the completion of a cooperative agreement between the State Department of Game and Fish and the Fish and Wildlife Service. Completion of the agreement is expected in the near future.

Director Edward Wozley of the Bureau of Land Management stated that the withdrawn lands adjoin lands acquired by the State of Idaho. The application for the withdrawal was made by the Fish and Wildlife Service. Subject to valid existing rights, the lands are withdrawn from all forms of appropriation under the public land laws, including mining location, but will remain open to mineral leasing.

Notice of proposal to withdraw the area was published in the Federal Register on March 7, 1956, and announced in the local press.

The Carey Lake Migratory Bird Management Area consists of 338 acres which the Idaho Department of Game and Fish has already acquired and another 109 acres which it is in the process of purchasing from private owners with the help of Federal aid funds.

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