



THE SECRETARY OF THE INTERIOR
WASHINGTON

ORDER NO. 3345, Amendment No. 17 (*Amended material bold and italicized*)

Subject: Temporary Redlegation of Authority for Certain Vacant Non-Career
Senate-Confirmed Positions

Sec. 1 Purpose. The purpose of this Order is to temporarily redelegate authority for the following vacant non-career Presidentially appointed and Senate-confirmed positions for which there is no Principal Deputy that would automatically become acting by operation of law:

- a. Solicitor
- b. Assistant Secretary – Policy, Management and Budget
- c. Assistant Secretary for Fish and Wildlife and Parks
- d. Assistant Secretary – Indian Affairs
- e. Director, Bureau of Land Management
- f. Special Trustee for American Indians
- g. Director, National Park Service
- h. Director, Office of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement
- i. Director, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service
- j. Director, U.S. Geological Survey

This Order is intended to ensure uninterrupted management and execution of the duties of these vacant non-career positions during the Presidential transition pending Senate-confirmation of new non-career officials. In conjunction with the officials who will be acting under the Vacancies Reform Act, this Order will provide necessary decision making authority to Presidentially appointed and Senate-confirmed positions across the Department of the Interior. The delegations made by this Order will only be in effect until each vacant non-career position is filled by Senate-confirmed appointees, upon the subsequent designation of acting officials, or a subsequent delegation to alternate officials.

Sec. 2 Authority. This Order is issued under the authority of Section 2 of Reorganization Plan No. 3 of 1950 (64 Stat. 1262), as amended, and in compliance with the Vacancies Reform Act.

Sec. 3 Delegation. All functions, duties, and responsibilities of the following positions are hereby delegated to the specified employees:

- a. Solicitor to Daniel Jorjani, Principal Deputy Solicitor
- b. Assistant Secretary – Policy, Management and Budget to Scott Cameron,
Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary – Policy, Management and Budget
- c. Assistant Secretary for Fish and Wildlife and Parks to *Susan Combs*,
Senior Advisor to the Secretary
- d. Assistant Secretary – Indian Affairs to John Tahsuda, Principal Deputy Assistant
Secretary – Indian Affairs
- e. Director, Bureau of Land Management to Brian Steed, Deputy Director, Policy
and Programs
- f. Special Trustee for American Indians to Jerold Gidner, Principal Deputy Special
Trustee for American Indians
- g. Director, National Park Service to P. Daniel Smith, Deputy Director, National
Park Service
- h. Director, Office of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement to Glenda
Owens, Deputy Director, Office of Surface Mining Reclamation and
Enforcement
- i. Director, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service to James Kurth, Deputy Director for
Operations
- j. Director, U.S. Geological Survey to William Werkheiser, Deputy Director

The authority delegated herein may be further delegated by the designee as necessary, consistent with 200 DM 1 and all applicable statutes and regulations.

Sec. 4 Limitation. This delegation covers only those functions or duties that are not required by statute or regulation to be performed only by the Senate-confirmed official occupying the position. The Secretary must perform any functions or duties required by statute or regulation to be performed only by the Senate-confirmed official occupying the position. This redelegation does not supersede existing delegations of authority to or from the various Vacant Non-Career Positions to subordinate officials.

Sec. 5 Expiration Date. This Order is effective immediately. It will automatically expire for each Vacant Non-Career Position when filled by a Senate-confirmed appointee, upon the subsequent designation of acting officials, or a subsequent delegation to alternate officials. In the absence of the foregoing actions, it will terminate on July 15, 2018, unless extended, modified, or revoked.

/s/ Ryan K. Zinke

Secretary of the Interior

Date: March 31, 2018