

Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35, as amended).

This Notice is soliciting comments from members of the public and affected agencies concerning the proposed collection of information to: (1) Evaluate whether the proposed collection is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility; (2) evaluate the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information; (3) enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (4) minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond; including the use of appropriate automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology, *e.g.*, permitting electronic submission of responses.

This Notice also lists the following information:

Title of Proposal: Reporting Requirements Associated with 24 CFR 203.508(b) and 24 CFR 235.1001—Providing Information.

OMB Control Number, if applicable: 2502-0235.

Description of the need for the information and proposed use: The purpose of this notice is to extend the use of 24 CFR 203.508b and 24 CFR 235.1001. The requirements of the 24 CFR 203.508b state, in part, that "all mortgagors must be informed by the mortgagees of the system available to them on loan inquiries on their mortgages and they must be reminded of the system at least annually." The requirements of 24 CFR 235.1001 state, in part, that "mortgagees must provide to the mortgagor and annual statement of interest paid and taxes disbursed and shall include an accounting of the total amount of assistance payments paid by HUD and applied to the mortgagor's account during the preceding year."

Agency form numbers, if applicable: None.

Estimation of the total numbers of hours needed to prepare the information collection including number of respondents, frequency of response, and hours of response: The estimated total number of burden hours needed to prepare the information collection is 1,361; the number of respondents is 122 generating approximately 5,444 annual responses; the frequency of response is annually and third party disclosures; and the estimated time needed to prepare the response is 15 minutes.

Status of the proposed information collection: Extension is a previously approved collection.

Authority: The Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, 44 U.S.C., Chapter 35, as amended.

Dated: June 23, 2003.

Sean G. Cassidy,

General Deputy Assistant Secretary for Housing-Deputy Federal Housing Commissioner.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Delaware & Lehigh National Heritage Corridor Commission Meeting

AGENCY: Department of the Interior, Office of the Secretary.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: This notice announces an upcoming meeting of the Delaware & Lehigh National Heritage Corridor Commission. Notice of this meeting is required under the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463).

MEETING DATE AND TIME: Friday, July 11, 2003, time 2 p.m. to 4 p.m.

ADDRESS: The Greater Wilkes-Barre Chamber, Two Public Square, Wilkes-Barre PA 18710.

The agenda for the meeting will focus on implementation of the Management Action Plan for the Delaware and Lehigh National Heritage Corridor and State Heritage Park. The Commission was established to assist the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and its political subdivisions in planning and implementing an integrated strategy for protecting and promoting cultural, historic and natural resources. The Commission reports to the Secretary of the Interior and to Congress.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Delaware & Lehigh National Heritage Corridor Commission was established by Public Law 100-692, November 18, 1988, and extended through Public Law 105-355, November 13, 1998.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: C. Allen Sachse, Executive Director, Delaware & Lehigh National Heritage Corridor Commission, 1 South Third Street, 8th Floor, Easton PA 18042. (610) 923-3548.

Dated: June 26, 2003.

C. Allen Sachse,

Executive Director, Delaware & Lehigh National Heritage Corridor Commission.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Fish and Wildlife Service

Endangered Species Recovery Permit Applications

AGENCY: Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of receipt of permit applications.

SUMMARY: The following applicants have applied for a scientific research permit to conduct certain activities with endangered species pursuant to section 10(a)(1)(A) of the Endangered Species Act (16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*). We (U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service) solicit review and comment from local, State, and Federal agencies, and the public on the following permit requests.

DATES: Comments on these permit applications must be received on or before August 1, 2003 to receive our consideration.

ADDRESSES: Written data or comments should be submitted to the Chief, Endangered Species, Ecological Services, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, 911 NE. 11th Avenue, Portland, Oregon 97232-4181 (fax: 503-231-6243). Please refer to the respective permit number for each application when submitting comments. All comments received, including names and addresses, will become part of the official administrative record and may be made available to the public.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Documents and other information submitted with these applications are available for review, subject to the requirements of the Privacy Act and Freedom of Information Act, by any party who submits a written request for a copy of such documents within 30 days of the date of publication of this notice to the address above (telephone: 503-231-2063). Please refer to the respective permit number for each application when requesting copies of documents.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Permit No. TE-050644

Applicant: The Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife, Olympia, Washington.

The permittee requests an amendment to take (harass through captive propagation, collect biological samples, and mark) the Columbia Basin distinct population segment of the pygmy rabbit (*Brachylagus idahoensis*) in conjunction with an intercross captive propagation program with the Idaho pygmy rabbit (*Brachylagus idahoensis*) and to support

genetic research at facilities in Oregon and Washington for the purpose of enhancing Columbia Basin pygmy rabbits survival and viability.

Permit No. TE-072650

Applicant: Jennifer Michaud-Laird, Sebastopol, California.

The applicant requests a permit to take (harass by survey, capture, handle, and release) the California tiger salamander Sonoma County distinct population segment (*Ambystoma californiense*) in conjunction with surveys in Sonoma County, California for the purpose of enhancing its survival.

Permit No. TE-072651

Applicant: Diana Immel, Davis, California.

The applicant requests a permit to remove/reduce to possession *Trifolium amoenum* (showy Indian clover) in conjunction with reintroduction efforts in Sonoma and Marin Counties, California for the purpose of enhancing its survival.

Permit No. TE-072873

Applicant: Kevin D. Matson, St. Louis, Missouri.

The applicant requests a permit to take (collect blood) captive Hawaiian geese (*Branta sandvicensis*) and captive iō (*Buteo solitarii*) in conjunction with disease research at the Three Ring Ranch Exotic Animal Sanctuary, Kailua-Kona, Hawaii for the purpose of enhancing their survival.

We solicit public review and comment on each of these recovery permit applications.

Dated: June 12, 2003.

Bill Shake,

Deputy Regional Director, Region 1, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Fish and Wildlife Service

Endangered and Threatened Species Permit Applications

AGENCY: Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of receipt of applications.

SUMMARY: The following applicants have applied for scientific research permits to conduct certain activities with endangered species pursuant to section 10(a)(1)(A) of the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended.

DATES: To ensure consideration, written comments must be received on or before August 1, 2003.

ADDRESSES: Written comments should be submitted to the Chief, Endangered Species Division, Ecological Services, P.O. Box 1306, Albuquerque, New Mexico 87103. Documents and other information submitted with these applications are available for review, subject to the requirements of the Privacy Act and Freedom of Information Act. Documents will be available for public inspection, by appointment only, during normal business hours at the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, 500 Gold Avenue SW., Room 4102, Albuquerque, New Mexico. Please refer to the respective permit number for each application when submitting comments. All comments received, including names and addresses, will become part of the official administrative record and may be made available to the public.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Chief, Endangered Species Division, (505) 248-6920.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Permit No. TE-057946

Applicant: USDA, Natural Resources Conservation Service, Flagstaff, Arizona.

Applicant requests an amendment to an existing permit to allow presence/absence surveys for black-footed ferret (*Mustela nigripes*) within Arizona and New Mexico.

Permit No. TE-072498

Applicant: Shaw Environmental, Inc., Albuquerque, New Mexico.

Applicant requests a new permit for research and recovery purposes to conduct presence/absence surveys for the following species within Arizona and New Mexico: black-footed ferret (*Mustela nigripes*), southwestern willow flycatcher (*Empidonax traillii extimus*), northern aplomado falcon (*Falco femoralis septentrionalis*), and interior least tern (*Sterna antillarum*).

Permit No. TE-011464

Applicant: Caryn Vaughn, Norman, Oklahoma.

Applicant requests an amendment to an existing permit to allow surveys and collection of the scaleshell mussel (*Leptodea leptodon*) within Oklahoma and Arkansas.

Permit No. TE-054803

Applicant: Michael Larisch, Silver City, New Mexico.

Applicant requests an amendment to an existing permit to allow presence/absence surveys for the following species within New Mexico: black-

footed ferret (*Mustela nigripes*), southwestern willow flycatcher (*Empidonax traillii extimus*), and interior least tern (*Sterna antillarum*).

Permit No. TE-073460

Applicant: Aaron Flesch, Tucson, Arizona.

Applicant requests a new permit for research and recovery purposes to conduct presence/absence surveys, nest monitoring, radio tracking, trapping, and removal of radio transmitters for cactus ferruginous pygmy owl (*Glaucidium brasilianum cactorum*) within Arizona.

Permit No. TE-072500

Applicant: U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Champaign, Illinois.

Applicant requests a permit for research and recovery purposes to receive fountain darters (*Etheostoma fonticola*) and Texas wild-rice (*Zizania texana*), in order to assess the effects of fog oil and other military species chemical compounds on these species.

Authority: 16 U.S.C. 1531, *et seq.*

Dated: June 19, 2003.

Bryan Arroyo,

Assistant Regional Director, Ecological Services, Region 2, Albuquerque, New Mexico.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Fish and Wildlife Service

Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plants; 90-day Finding for a Petition to Delist the Mexican Bobcat

AGENCY: Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of 90-day petition finding and initiation of status review.

SUMMARY: We, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Service), announce a 90-day finding for a petition to delist the Mexican bobcat (*Lynx rufus escuinapae*) under the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended. After reviewing the petition and available scientific and commercial information, we find that the petition presents substantial information indicating that listing may no longer be warranted. With the publication of this notice, we are initiating a status review of the Mexican bobcat. In addition to requesting information on the status of the Mexican bobcat, we are requesting information on whether the subspecies designation is taxonomically valid. If not valid, we also request information on the status of