

record. Requests for such comments will be handled in accordance with the Freedom of Information Act and other Service and Departmental policies and procedures.

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Dated: March 21, 2006.

**Cynthia K. Dohner,**  
*Acting Regional Director.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Fish and Wildlife Service

#### Laramie Plains National Wildlife Refuge, Laramie, WY

**AGENCY:** Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.

**ACTION:** Notice of intent to prepare a comprehensive conservation plan and environmental assessment; request for comments.

**SUMMARY:** This notice advises that the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Service) intends to gather information necessary to prepare a Comprehensive Conservation Plan (CCP) and associated environmental documents for the Laramie Plains National Wildlife Refuges (NWRs) in southeast Wyoming, which include Bamforth NWR, Hutton Lake NWR, and Mortenson Lake NWR.

The Service is furnishing this notice in compliance with Service CCP policy to advise other agencies and the public of its intentions, and to obtain suggestions and information on the scope of issues to be considered in the planning process.

**DATES:** Written comments must be received by July 17, 2006.

**ADDRESSES:** Comments and requests for more information regarding the Laramie Plains NWRs should be sent to Toni Griffin, Planning Team Leader, Division of Refuge Planning, P.O. Box 25486, Denver Federal Center, Denver, Colorado 80225.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Toni Griffin, 303-236-4378, or Linda Kelly, Chief, Branch of Comprehensive Conservation Planning, at 303-236-8132.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Service has initiated the CCP for the Laramie Plains NWRs with headquarters in Walden, Colorado.

Each unit of the National Wildlife Refuge System, including these NWRs, has specific purposes for which it was

established. Those purposes are used to develop and prioritize management goals and objectives within the National Wildlife Refuge System mission, and to guide which public uses will occur on these Refuges. The planning process is a way for the Service and the public to evaluate management goals and objectives for the best possible conservation efforts of this important wildlife habitat, while providing for wildlife-dependent recreation opportunities that are compatible with the Refuges' establishing purposes and the mission of the National Wildlife Refuge System.

The Service will conduct a comprehensive conservation planning process that will provide opportunity for Tribal, State, and local governments; agencies; organizations; and the public to participate in issue scoping and public comment. The Service is requesting input for issues, concerns, ideas, and suggestions for the future management of the Laramie Plains NWRs in southeast Wyoming. Anyone interested in providing input is invited to respond to the following two questions.

(1) What problems or issues do you want to see addressed in the CCP?

(2) What improvements would you recommend for the Laramie Plains NWRs?

The Service has provided the above questions for your optional use; you are not required to provide information to the Service. The Planning Team developed these questions to facilitate finding out more information about individual issues and ideas concerning these Refuges. Comments received by the Planning Team will be used as part of the planning process; individual comments will not be referenced in our reports or directly responded to.

An opportunity will be given to the public to provide input at an open house to scope issues and concerns (schedule can be obtained from the Planning Team Leaders at the above addresses). Comments may also be submitted anytime during the planning process by writing to the above addresses. All information provided voluntarily by mail, phone, or at public meetings becomes part of the official public record (*i.e.*, names, addresses, letters of comment, input recorded during meetings). If requested under the Freedom of Information Act by a private citizen or organization, the Service may provide informational copies.

The environmental review of this project will be conducted in accordance with the requirements of the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, as amended (42 U.S.C. 4321 *et seq.*); NEPA

Regulations (40 CFR parts 1500-1508); other appropriate Federal laws and regulations; and Service policies and procedures for compliance with those regulations. All comments received from individuals on Service Environmental Assessments and Environmental Impact Statements become part of the official public record. Requests for such comments will be handled in accordance with the Freedom of Information Act, NEPA (40 CFR 1506.6(f)), and other Departmental and Service policies and procedures. When requested, the Service generally will provide comment letters with the names and addresses of the individuals who wrote the comments. However, the telephone number of the commenting individual will not be provided in response to such requests to the extent permissible by law.

Dated: May 23, 2006.

**James J. Slack,**  
*Deputy Regional Director, Region 6, Denver, CO.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Fish and Wildlife Service

#### Pathfinder National Wildlife Refuge, Casper, WY

**AGENCY:** Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.

**ACTION:** Notice of intent to prepare a comprehensive conservation plan and environmental assessment; request for comments.

**SUMMARY:** This notice advises that the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Service) intends to gather information necessary to prepare a Comprehensive Conservation Plan (CCP) and associated environmental documents for Pathfinder National Wildlife Refuge (NWR) in central Wyoming. The Service is furnishing this notice in compliance with Service CCP policy to advise other agencies and the public of its intentions, and to obtain suggestions and information on the scope of issues to be considered in the planning process.

**DATES:** Written comments must be received by July 17, 2006.

**ADDRESSES:** Comments and requests for more information regarding the Pathfinder NWR should be sent to Toni Griffin, Planning Team Leader, Division of Refuge Planning, P.O. Box 25486, Denver Federal Center, Denver, Colorado 80225.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Toni Griffin at 303-236-4378, or Linda Kelly,

Chief, Branch of Comprehensive Conservation Planning, at 303-236-8132.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Service has initiated the CCP for the Pathfinder NWR with headquarters in Walden, Colorado.

Each unit of the National Wildlife Refuge System, including this NWR, has specific purposes for which it was established. Those purposes are used to develop and prioritize management goals and objectives within the National Wildlife Refuge System mission, and to guide which public uses will occur on the Refuge. The planning process is a way for the Service and the public to evaluate management goals and objectives for the best possible conservation efforts of this important wildlife habitat, while providing for wildlife-dependent recreation opportunities that are compatible with the Refuge's establishing purposes and the mission of the National Wildlife Refuge System.

The Service will conduct a comprehensive conservation planning process that will provide opportunity for Tribal, State, and local governments; agencies; organizations; and the public to participate in issue scoping and public comment. The Service is requesting input for issues, concerns, ideas, and suggestions for the future management of the Pathfinder NWR in central Wyoming. Anyone interested in providing input is invited to respond to the following two questions.

(1) What problems or issues do you want to see addressed in the CCP?

(2) What improvements would you recommend for Pathfinder NWR?

The Service has provided the above questions for your optional use; you are not required to provide information to the Service. The Planning Team developed these questions to facilitate finding out more information about individual issues and ideas concerning this refuge. Comments received by the Planning Team will be used as part of the planning process; individual comments will not be referenced in our reports or directly responded to. An opportunity will be given to the public to provide input at an open house to scope issues and concerns (schedule can be obtained from the Planning Team Leaders at the above addresses). Comments may also be submitted anytime during the planning process by writing to the above addresses. All information provided voluntarily by mail, phone, or at public meetings becomes part of the official public record (*i.e.*, names, addresses, letters of comment, input recorded during

meetings). If requested under the Freedom of Information Act by a private citizen or organization, the Service may provide informational copies.

The environmental review of this project will be conducted in accordance with the requirements of the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, as amended (42 U.S.C. 4321 *et seq.*), NEPA Regulations (40 CFR parts 1500-1508), other appropriate Federal laws and regulations, and Service policies and procedures for compliance with those regulations. All comments received from individuals on Service Environmental Assessments and Environmental Impact Statements become part of the official public record. Requests for such comments will be handled in accordance with the Freedom of Information Act, NEPA (40 CFR 1506.6(f)), and other Departmental and Service policies and procedures. When requested, the Service generally will provide comment letters with the names and addresses of the individuals who wrote the comments. However, the telephone number of the commenting individual will not be provided in response to such requests to the extent permissible by law.

Dated: May 23, 2006.

**James J. Slack,**

*Deputy Regional Director, Region 6, Denver, CO.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Bureau of Indian Affairs

#### Liquor Control Ordinance of the Ottawa Tribe of Oklahoma

**AGENCY:** Bureau of Indian Affairs, Interior.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** This notice publishes the Liquor Control Ordinance of the Ottawa Tribe of Oklahoma (Tribe). The Ordinance regulates and controls the possession, sale and consumption of liquor within the tribal lands of the Tribe. The tribal lands are located on trust land and this Ordinance allows for possession and sale of alcoholic beverages within its exterior boundaries. This Ordinance will increase the ability of the tribal government to control the community's liquor distribution and possession, and at the same time will provide an important source of revenue for the continued operation and strengthening of the tribal government and the delivery of tribal services.

**DATES:** *Effective Date:* This Ordinance is effective on June 16, 2006.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Charles Head, Tribal Government Services Officer, Eastern Oklahoma Regional Office, 3100 W. Peak Blvd., Muskogee, OK 74402, Telephone: (918) 781-4685, Fax: (918) 781-4649; or Ralph Gonzales, Office of Tribal Services, 1849 C Street, NW., Room 4513-MIB, Washington, DC 20240, Telephone: (202) 513-7629.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Pursuant to the Act of August 15, 1953, Public Law 83-277, 67 Stat. 586, 18 U.S.C. 1161, as interpreted by the Supreme Court in *Rice v. Rehner*, 463 U.S. 713 (1983), the Secretary of the Interior shall certify and publish in the **Federal Register** notice of adopted liquor ordinances for the purpose of regulating liquor transactions in Indian country. The Business Committee of the Ottawa Tribe of Oklahoma (Business Committee) adopted its Liquor Ordinance by Resolution No. 2005-31 on December 15, 2005, which is the first Liquor Ordinance passed by the Tribe. The purpose of this Ordinance is to govern the sale, possession and distribution of alcohol within tribal lands of the Tribe.

This notice is published in accordance with the authority delegated by the Secretary of the Interior to the Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary—Indian Affairs. I certify that this Liquor Ordinance of the Ottawa Tribe of Oklahoma was duly adopted by the Business Committee on December 15, 2005.

Dated: June 8, 2006.

**Michael D. Olsen,**

*Acting Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary—Indian Affairs.*

The Ottawa Tribe of Oklahoma Liquor Ordinance reads as follows:

#### Liquor Control Ordinance of the Ottawa Tribe of Oklahoma

##### *Section One: Purposes and Public Policy*

1.1 The Ottawa Tribal Business Committee, in accordance with Article VI of the Constitution and By-Laws of the Ottawa Tribe of Oklahoma, is authorized to enact resolutions, regulations, and ordinances, and act on behalf of the Ottawa Tribe.

1.2 The Business Committee finds that tribal control and regulation of liquor is necessary to protect the health and welfare of tribal members, to address specific concerns relating to alcohol use on tribal lands, and to achieve maximum economic benefit to the tribe.