

1. Your name, mailing address, and telephone number.
2. A statement of the issue(s) of concern.
3. Specific identification of the part(s) of the proposed plan that are of concern. To the extent possible, this should be done by reference to specific pages, paragraphs, sections, tables, or maps included in the document.
4. A copy of any documents addressing the issue(s) that you may have submitted during the planning process or a reference to the date the issue(s) were discussed for the record.
5. A concise statement explaining why you believe the proposed plan is in error. All relevant facts need to be included in this statement of reasons. The facts, reasons, and documentation are important to help us understand your specific concerns, rather than an expression of general disagreement with the proposed decision.

Letters to the Superintendent should be addressed as follows:  
Superintendent, National Park Service, Grand Canyon-Parashant National Monument, 345 East Riverside Drive, St. George, UT 84790.

A limited number of individual copies of the FEIS may be obtained from the Arizona Strip BLM or National Park Service, at 345 East Riverside Drive, St. George, UT 84790.

**Willie R. Taylor,**

Director, Office of Environmental, Policy and Compliance.

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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; request for comment.

**SUMMARY:** We invite the public to comment on the following applications to conduct certain activities with endangered species.

**DATES:** Comments on these permit applications must be received on or before April 2, 2007.

**ADDRESSES:** Written data or comments should be submitted to the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Chief, Endangered Species, Ecological Services, 911 NE. 11th Avenue, Portland, Oregon 97232-4181 (telephone: 503-231-2063; 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:** Linda Belluomini, Fish and Wildlife Biologist, at the above Portland address (telephone: 503-231-2063; fax: 503-231-6243).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** 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 (16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*). The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (we) solicits review and comment from local, State, and Federal agencies, and the public on the following permit requests.

**Permit No. TE-140683**

*Applicant:* Susan I. Jarvi, Hilo, Hawaii.

The applicant requests a permit to take (inoculate and collect biological samples) captive nene (*Branta sandvicensis*) in conjunction with vaccination research in Kona, Hilo, and Waikaloa, Hawaii for the purpose of enhancing its survival.

**Permit No. TE-145562**

*Applicant:* U.S. Geological Survey, Biological Resources, Moss Landing, California.

The applicant requests a permit to take (capture, locate and monitor nests, band, tag, transmitter, collect biological samples) the Hawaiian petrel (*Pterodroma sandwichensis*) in conjunction with scientific research throughout the species range in the State of Hawaii for the purpose of enhancing its survival.

**Permit No. 145851**

*Applicant:* Andrew Engilis, Davis, California.

The applicant requests a permit to take (capture, hold, weigh, measure, band, and collect biological samples) the Hawaiian duck (*Anas wyvilliana*, and take (capture and release) the Hawaiian moorhen (*Gallinula chloropus sandvicensis*, and the Hawaiian coot (*Fulica alai*) in conjunction with scientific research on the islands of Oahu, Kauai, and Hawaii in the State of Hawaii for the purpose of enhancing their survival.

We solicit public review and comment on each of these recovery permit applications. Our practice is to make comments, including names and home addresses of respondents, available for public review during regular business hours. Individual

respondents may request that we withhold their home addresses from the record, which we will honor to the extent allowable by law. There also may be circumstances in which we would withhold from the record a respondent's identity, as allowable by law. If you wish us to withhold your name and/or address, you must state this prominently at the beginning of your comment, but you should be aware that we may be required to disclose your name and address pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act. However, we will not consider anonymous comments. We will make all submissions from organizations or businesses, and from individuals identifying themselves as representatives or officials of organizations or businesses, available for public inspection in their entirety. Comments and materials received will be available for public inspection, by appointment, during normal business hours at the above address.

Dated: February 7, 2007.

**David J. Wesley,**

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

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Bureau of Land Management

[AZ-420-06-1610-DP-085A]

#### Notice of Availability of the Ironwood Forest National Monument Draft Resource Management Plan and Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DRMP/DEIS), Arizona

**AGENCY:** Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

**ACTION:** Notice of availability.

**SUMMARY:** In accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (NEPA, 42 U.S.C. 4321 *et seq.*) and the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976 (FLPMA, 43 U.S.C. 1701 *et seq.*), the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) has prepared a Draft Resource Management Plan and Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DRMP/DEIS) for the Ironwood Forest National Monument and by this notice is announcing the opening of the comment period.

**DATES:** To assure that they will be considered, BLM must receive written comments on the DRMP/DEIS within 90 days following the date the Environmental Protection Agency publishes its Notice of Availability in

the **Federal Register**. Public meetings and other public-involvement activities will be announced at least 15 days in advance through local media and via the Internet at <http://www.blm.gov/az/news.htm>.

**ADDRESSES:** Written comments may be mailed to Mark Lambert, Planning and Environmental Coordinator, Ironwood Forest National Monument, Tucson Field Office, 12661 East Broadway Boulevard, Tucson, Arizona 85748-7208. You may also hand-deliver comments to the above listed address. Electronic comments will be accepted and should be sent to:

[AZ\\_IFNM\\_RMP@blm.gov](mailto:AZ_IFNM_RMP@blm.gov). Oral comments will also be accepted and recorded at public meetings held during the 90-day public review and comment period.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Mark Lambert, Planning and Environmental Coordinator, Bureau of Land Management, Tucson Field Office, 12661 East Broadway Boulevard, Tucson, Arizona 85748-7208, Telephone 520-258-7200.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Ironwood Forest National Monument, established by Presidential Proclamation on June 9, 2000, encompasses approximately 128,686 acres of Federal land administered by the BLM. The DRMP/DEIS affects only Federal lands and Federal interests located within the established boundary of the monument. The BLM's Tucson Field Office has the responsibility of planning for and management of Federal lands within the monument. Issues identified as part of the planning process and addressed in the DRMP/DEIS include air resources, biological resources, cultural resources, fire management, grazing management, hazardous materials, lands and realty, mineral and energy resources, Native American issues, recreation, social and economic conditions, soils, wilderness characteristics, transportation and access, visual resources, and water resources. The DRMP/DEIS includes strategies for protecting and preserving the biological, cultural, recreational, geological, educational, scientific, and scenic values for which the monument was established. Four alternatives have been developed in response to the issues. The "no action" alternative represents current management of the Ironwood Forest National Monument. Three additional "action" alternatives present reasonable, yet varying, management scenarios. The alternatives range from emphasizing maintenance of the naturalness of Ironwood Forest National Monument (by restricting some

human uses) to emphasizing continued human uses, while still protecting the objects and resources for which the monument was established. The no-action alternative proposes the continued designation of the Waterman Mountains Area of Critical Environmental Concern (ACEC). This ACEC is approximately 3,342 acres and was designated to protect the endangered Nichol Turk's head cactus, provide optimum habitat for naturally occurring populations of Nichol Turk's head cactus, and assist in its recovery. The following resource-use limitation applies to this ACEC: Prohibit land use authorizations except along existing roads and trails. The action alternatives do not propose designation of this ACEC. For detailed information, refer to Chapter 2 of the DRMP/DEIS, Special Area Designations section.

The range of alternatives in the DRMP/DEIS evaluates planning decisions brought forward from current BLM planning documents, including the Phoenix Resource Management Plan (1989), Arizona Standards for Rangeland Health and Guidelines for Grazing Administration (1987), and the Arizona Statewide Land Use Plan Amendment for Fire, Fuels, and Air Quality Management (2003). A Proposed Resource Management Plan and Final Environmental Impact Statement, as well as a Record of Decision will be prepared by the BLM for the Ironwood Forest National Monument Resource Management Plan in accordance with planning regulations at 43 CFR part 1610 and NEPA at 40 CFR part 1502.

Public comments, including names and street addresses of respondents, will be available for public review at: Bureau of Land Management, Tucson Field Office, 12661 East Broadway Boulevard Tucson, Arizona 85748-7208, during regular business hours (8 a.m. to 4 p.m.), Monday through Friday, except holidays. Individual respondents may request confidentiality. If you wish to withhold your name and/or street address from public review or from disclosure under the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), you must state this prominently at the beginning of your written comment. Such requests will be honored to the extent allowed by law. All submissions from organizations or businesses, and from individuals identifying themselves as representatives or officials of organizations or businesses, will be made available for public inspection in their entirety.

Copies of the Ironwood Forest National Monument DRMP/DEIS are available for review via the Internet at [http://www.blm.gov/az/env\\_docs/](http://www.blm.gov/az/env_docs/)

[library/rmps/rmps.htm](http://www.blm.gov/az/env_docs/library/rmps/rmps.htm). Electronic (CD-ROM) and paper copies are available for review at the BLM, Tucson Field Office. Electronic (on CD-ROM) and paper copies also may be obtained by contacting the BLM at the address and phone number provided above.

Dated: October 25, 2006.

**Michael A. Taylor,**  
*Acting State Director.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Bureau of Land Management

#### Notice of Availability of Eastern San Diego County Draft Resource Management Plan and Draft Environmental Impact Statement

**AGENCY:** Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

**ACTION:** Notice of availability.

**SUMMARY:** In accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 and the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976, the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) has prepared a Draft Resource Management Plan/Environmental Impact Statement (RMP/EIS) for the El Centro Field Office. The Draft RMP/EIS addresses public lands managed by the El Centro Field Office in the eastern portion of San Diego County, California, and by this notice is announcing the opening of the comment period.

**DATES:** To assure that they will be considered, BLM must receive written comments on the Draft RMP/EIS within 90 days following the date the Environmental Protection Agency publishes the Notice of Availability in the **Federal Register**. Future meetings or hearings and any other public involvement activities will be announced at least 15 days in advance through public notices, media news releases, and/or mailings.

**ADDRESSES:** You may submit comments at the public meetings or by any of the following methods:

- *Web Site:* <http://www.ca.blm.gov/elcentro>.
- *Fax:* (760) 337-4490.
- *Mail:* 1661 So. 4th St., El Centro, California 92243.
- *E-mail:* [caesdrmp@ca.blm.gov](mailto:caesdrmp@ca.blm.gov).

CD and paper copies of the Eastern San Diego County Draft RMP/EIS are available at the El Centro Field Office at