

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR**Fish and Wildlife Service****Mississippi Sandhill Crane National Wildlife Refuge**

AGENCY: Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of intent to prepare a Comprehensive Conservation Plan and Environmental Assessment for Mississippi, Sandhill Crane National Wildlife Refuge in Gautier, MS

SUMMARY: This notice advises the public that the Fish and Wildlife Service, Southeast Region, intends to gather information necessary to prepare a Comprehensive Conservation Plan and Environmental Assessment for Mississippi Sandhill Crane National Wildlife Refuge, pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act and its implementing regulations.

The National Wildlife Refuge Service Administration Act of 1966, as amended by the National Wildlife Refuge System Improvement Act of 1997, requires the Service to develop a comprehensive conservation plan for each national wildlife refuge. The purpose in developing a comprehensive conservation plan is to provide refuge managers with a 15-year strategy for achieving refuge purposes and contributing toward the mission of the National Wildlife Refuge System, consistent with sound principles of fish and wildlife management, conservation, legal mandates, and Service policies. In addition to outlining broad management direction on conserving wildlife and their habitats, plans identify wildlife-dependent recreational opportunities available to the public, such as opportunities, for hunting, fishing, wildlife observation, wildlife photography, and environmental education and interpretation.

The purpose of this notice is to achieve the following:

- (1) Advise other agencies and the public of our intentions, and
 - (2) Obtain suggestions and information on the scope of issues to include in the environmental document.
- DATES:** Open house style meeting(s) will be held throughout the scoping phase of the comprehensive conservation plan development process. Special mailings, newspaper articles, and other media announcements will be used to inform the public and State and local government agencies of the opportunities for input throughout the planning process.

ADDRESSES: Address comments, questions, and requests for more

information to Mississippi Sandhill Crane National Wildlife Refuge, 7200 Crane Lane, Gautier, Mississippi 39553; Telephone 228-497-6322. To ensure consideration, written comments must be received within 45 days following the date of this notice. Our practice is to make comments, including names and 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.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Mississippi Sandhill Crane National Wildlife Refuge was established in 1975 to safeguard the critically endangered Mississippi sandhill crane and its unique disappearing habitat. Refuge objectives are to: provide protection and management for the cranes; protect and preserve unique wet pine savanna communities; and provide environmental education, interpretation, and wildlife-oriented recreation.

The more than 19,000-acre refuge consists of the Gautier, Ocean Springs, Fontainebleau, and Bluff Creek units. Wet pine savannas, pine scrub, forested swamps, and tidal marshes are the main habitat types of the refuge.

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Cynthia K. Dohner,

Acting Regional Director.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR**National Park Service****National Register of Historic Places; Notification of Pending Nominations and Related Actions**

Nominations for the following properties being considered for listing or related actions in the National Register were received by the National Park Service before April 30, 2005. Pursuant to section 60.13 of 36 CFR part 60 written comments concerning the significance of these properties under the National Register criteria for evaluation may be forwarded by United States Postal Service, to the National Register of Historic Places, National Park Service, 1849 C St. NW., 2280, Washington, DC 20240; by all other carriers, National Register of Historic Places, National Park Service, 1201 Eye

St. NW., 8th floor, Washington, DC 20005; or by fax, 202-371-6447. Written or faxed comments should be submitted by June 10, 2005.

John W. Roberts,

Acting Chief, National Register/National Historic Landmarks Program.

ARKANSAS**Jefferson County**

Tucker School, Vandalsen Dr., Tucker, 05000538

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA**District of Columbia**

Dupont Circle Historic District (Boundary Increase), Various areas within an area roughly bounded by 16th St., T St., Florida, 23rd and M St. NW., Washington, 05000539
Watergate, 2500, 2600, 2650, 2600 Virginia Ave. NW., 600, 700 New Hampshire Ave. NW., Washington, 05000540

HAWAII**Hawaii County**

Holualoa 4 Archeological District (State Site No. 50-10-37-23.661), Ali'i, Kailua-Kona, 05000542

Waimea Elementary School, HI 19, Kawaihae Rd. TMK (3)6-5-07:3, Kamuela, 05000541

KANSAS**Bourbon County**

Ware, Eugene, Elementary School, (Public Schools of Kansas MPS), 900 E. Third St., Fort Scott, 05000552

Cowley County

Pilgrim Congregational Church, 101 N. Third St., Arkansas City, 05000545

Montgomery County

Memorial Hall, Jct. of Pennsylvania Ave. and E. Locust St., Independence, 05000554

Phillips County

Long Island School, (Public Schools of Kansas MPS), Washington School, Long Island, 05000551

Rice County

Lyons High School, (Public Schools of Kansas MPS), 401 S. Douglas Ave., Lyons, 05000556

Riley County

Fitz, Leslie A., House, 1014 Houston St., Manhattan, 05000543

Rooks County

Rooks County Record Building, 501 Main, Stockton, 05000555

Scott County

Shallow Water School, (Public Schools of Kansas MPS), 180 Barclay Ave., Shallow Water, 05000553

Sedgwick County

Lewelling, Governor L.D., House, 1245 N. Broadway, Wichita, 05000547