

**Template for FY'11 Report pursuant to the  
Information Quality Bulletin for Peer Review**

**II. Agency Report**

GENERAL INFORMATION

Agency \_U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service\_\_\_\_\_

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URL for Agency's Peer Review Agenda

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What pathway(s) can a member of the public use to find the Agency's peer review agenda if she/he did not have this URL?

- Link from Department or Agency home page,
- Link from Agency Information Quality home page,
- Link from science, research, or regulatory pages (please specify)
- Other (please describe) \_\_\_\_\_

Does the agenda provide links to peer review reports for all completed peer reviews?

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INFORMATION ABOUT REVIEWS CONDUCTED

Number of peer reviews conducted subject to the Bulletin in FY' 11. (see instructions for what should and should not be included here).

Number of influential scientific information peer reviews (ISI) (not including highly influential scientific assessments) 42

List the title of each ISI. Indicate whether the Peer Review Report has been completed (Y/N) *add more lines as needed* **NOTE:** It is acceptable to provide a screen shot of your peer review agenda as an attachment.

(1) Proposal to List the Rayed Bean and Snuffbox Mussels as Endangered (N)

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(2) Proposal to List the Sheepnose and Spectaclecase Mussels as Endangered (N)

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(3) Proposal to Designate a Non-Essential Experimental Population of the Endangered American Burying Beetle in Missouri (N)

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(4) Proposal to List the Ozark Hellbender as Endangered (Y)

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(5) Proposal to Delist the Western Great Lakes Distinct Population Segment of Gray Wolves (N)

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(6) Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plants; Designation of Critical Habitat for *Lepidium papilliferum* (Slickspot peppergress) (Y)

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(7) Marbled Murrelet – Wind Turbine Collision Model for the Radar Ridge Wind Resource Area. (Y)

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(8) 12-Month Finding on a Petition to List the Pacific Walrus as Endangered or Threatened (N)

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(9) Chiricahua leopard frog: proposed reclassification as threatened and designation of critical habitat (N)

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(10) Chupadera springsnail: proposed listing as endangered and designation of critical habitat (N)

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(11) Mexican spotted owl: draft revised recovery plan (N)

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(12) Southwestern willow flycatcher: proposed revision of critical habitat (N)

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(13) Mount Graham red squirrel: draft recovery plan (N)

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(14) San Bernardino and Three Forks springsnails: proposed endangered status and designation of critical habitats (Y)

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(15) Nine Bexar County invertebrates: proposed designations and revisions of critical habitats (Y)

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(16) Dunes sagebrush lizard: proposed endangered status (Y)

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(17) Spikedace and loach minnow: proposed reclassification as endangered and designation of critical habitat (Y)

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(18) Ocelot: draft recovery plan revision (Y)

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(19) Proposed Rule Revising the Special Rule for the Utah Prairie Dog (Y)

- (20) Proposed Rule to Designate Critical Habitat for *Ipomopsis polyantha* (Pagosa skyrocket), *Penstemon debilis* (Parachute beardtongue) and *Phacelia submutica* (DeBeque phacelia) (Y)
- (21) Proposed Rule to Reclassify the Wood Bison from Endangered to Threatened (Y)
- (22) Proposed Rule to Delist the Morelet's Crocodile (Y)
- (23) 12-Month Finding on Petition to List Crimson-Shining Parrot (not warranted) and Proposal to List White Cockatoo, Yellow-Crested Cockatoo and Philippine Cockatoo (Y)
- (24) Proposed rule to list the Miami blue butterfly as endangered and the cassius blue, ceraunus blue, and nickerbean blue butterflies as threatened due to similarity of appearance (Y)
- (25) Proposed Endangered Status for coqui llanero (*Eleutherodactylus juanariveroi*) and Designation of Critical Habitat (Y)
- (26) Proposed Critical Habitat for Five Southeast Fishes (Y)
- Cumberland darter (*Etheostoma susanae*)
  - rush darter (*Etheostoma phytophilum*)
  - yellowcheek darter (*Etheostoma moorei*)
  - chucky madtom (*Noturus crypticus*)
  - laurel dace (*Chrosomus saylori*)
- (27) Revised Proposed Designation of Critical Habitat for Mississippi Gopher Frog (*Rana sevosa*) (Y)
- (28) Proposed Listing and Proposed Critical Habitat for Eight Gulf Coast Mussels (Y)
- Alabama pearlshell (*Margaritifera marrianae*)
  - round ebonyshell (*Fusconaia rotulata*)
  - sandshell (*Hamiota australis*)
  - southern kidneyshell (*Ptychobranthus jonesi*)
  - Choctaw bean (*Villosa choctawensis*)
  - tapered pigtoe (*Fusconaia burkei*)
  - narrow pigtoe (*Fusconaia escambia*)
  - fuzzy pigtoe (*Pleurobema strodeanum*)
- (29) Eagle Conservation Plan Guidance (Y)
- (30) Designation of Critical Habitat for *Astragalus lentiginosus* var. *coachellae* (Y)
- (31) Revised Endangered Status, Revised Critical Habitat Designation, and Taxonomic Revision for *Monardella linoides* ssp. *viminea* (Y)
- (32) Revised Critical Habitat for the Riverside Fairy Shrimp (Y)
- (33) Revised Critical Habitat for the Pacific Coast Population of the Western Snowy Plover (Y)
- (34) Compilation of Information Relating to Myxozoan Disease Effects to Inform the Klamath Basin Restoration Agreement. (Bartholomew and Foott 2010) (Y)
- (35) Compilation of Information to Inform USFWS Principals on the Potential Effects of the Proposed Klamath Basin Restoration Agreement

- (Draft 11) on Fish and Fish Habitat Conditions in the Klamath Basin, with Emphasis on Fall Chinook Salmon. (Hetrick et al. 2009) (Y)
- (36) Effects of the Klamath Basin Restoration Agreement to Lower Klamath, Tule Lake and Upper Klamath National Wildlife Refuges. (Mauser and Mayer, 2011) (Y)
- (37) Scientific Assessment of Two Dam Removal Alternatives on Chinook Salmon. Final Report from the Expert Panel. Addendum to Final Report, July 20, 2011. (Goodman et al. 2011) (Y)
- (38) Scientific Assessment of Two Dam Removal Alternatives on Coho Salmon. Final Report from the Expert Panel. (Dunne et al. 2011) (Y)
- (39) Scientific Assessment of Two Dam Removal Alternatives on Lamprey. Final Report from the Expert Panel. (Close et al. 2011) (Y)
- (40) Scientific Assessment of Two Dam Removal Alternatives on Resident Fish. Final Report from the Expert Panel. (Buchanan et al. 2011) (Y)
- (41) Synthesis of Effects to Fish Species of Two Management Scenarios for the Secretarial Determination on Removal of the Lower Four Dams on the Klamath River. (Hamilton et al. 2011) (Y)
- (42) Assessment of Long Term Water Quality Changes for the Klamath River Basin Resulting from KHSA, KBRA, and TMDL and NPS Reduction Programs. (Water Quality Sub Team, 2011) (Y)

Number of highly influential scientific assessments (HISA) 2

List the title of each HISA. Indicate whether the Peer Review Report has been Completed (Y/N) *add more lines as needed*

- (1) Status and Trends of Wetlands in the Conterminous United States 2004 To 2009 (Y)
- (2) USFWS Draft Land-Based Wind Energy Guidelines (Y)
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Provide the titles of ISIs and HISIs for which Waivers (W), Deferrals (D), or Exemptions (E) were invoked or Alternative Procedures used (A). *If deferral is marked, please indicate the duration of the deferral.*

<b><i>Title of Document</i></b>	<b><i>Type of Document ISI or HISA</i></b>	<b><i>W, D, E, or A (and duration)</i></b>
i) Waterfowl Population Status Report 2011	(HISA)	W (annual)
ii) Adaptive Harvest Management 2011 Hunting Season Report (HISA)		W (annual)
iii) American Woodcock Population Status 2011	(ISI)	W (annual)
iv) Mourning Dove, White-winged Dove, and Band-tailed Pigeon Population Status 2011 (HISA)	W (annual)	

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Number of peer reviews that included at least one peer reviewer appointed pursuant to any exception to the applicable independence or conflict of interest standards of the Bulletin, including determinations by the Secretary or Deputy Secretary pursuant to Section III (3) (c)?

Number of ISIs (not including highly influential scientific assessments)   0  

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Number of HISAs   0  

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Number of peer review panels that held public meetings:

Number of ISIs (not including highly influential scientific assessments)   0  

Number of HISAs   0  

Number of peer review panels that allowed public comment:

Number of ISIs (not including highly influential scientific assessments)   0  

Number of HISAs   0  

Number of public comments provided on the agency's peer review plans during FY'11, regardless of whether the peer review was actually completed during FY'11   0  

Number of times agency specifically solicited peer reviewer nominations from professional societies.   1  

If such nominations were solicited, were any recommendations provided? Yes   x   No

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