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Comment Period Reopened on Proposed Delisting of Hidden Lake Bluecurls

Carlsbad, Calif. – Hidden Lake bluecurls, a tiny plant that only occurs along the perimeter of a montane vernal pool in Riverside County, California, was proposed for removal from the Federal List of Endangered and Threatened Plants on January 5, 2016.

The Service is reopening a 30-day public comment period on the proposed rule and the draft post-delisting monitoring plan. The notice opening the comment period published in today's [Federal Register](#).

In the 18 years since it was listed under the Endangered Species Act, the Service has worked with the California Department of Parks and Recreation's Mount San Jacinto State Park to identify ways to reduce impacts to the plant while maintaining recreational access.

Hidden Lake bluecurls grows about four inches high and produces dark blue flowers. It was first collected by Martha Luella Hilend in 1941, but was not described until 1945. The plant is a member of the mint family.

The proposed rule and draft post-delisting monitoring plan are available for review and comment on www.regulations.gov. In the Search box enter Docket No. FWS–R8–ES–2016–0127 and click the 'Search' button. Comments and information will be accepted until Dec. 1, 2017.

You may also submit written comments to: Public Comments Processing, Attn: Docket No. FWS–R8–ES–2016–0127; U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, MS: BPHC; 5275 Leesburg Pike, Falls Church, VA 22041–3803

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