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U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service to Review Status of 46 Pacific Region Species

Latest scientific and commercial information sought for update

The Pacific Region of the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service announced today it is initiating 5-year reviews of 46 species protected under the federal Endangered Species Act. The species are found in Idaho, Oregon, Washington, Nevada, Montana, Hawaii, Guam, and the Northern Mariana Islands.

To assist in its reviews, the Service is opening a 60-day public comment period for the submission of scientific and commercial information produced since the original listing of each of these species. The public, government agencies, tribes, industry and the scientific and conservation communities are asked to submit information by May 7, 2012.

The species to be reviewed include the Snake River physa snail, bull trout, Mariana fruit bat, 12 species of birds from Hawaii and Guam, and 31 species of Hawaiian plants. A list of the species, their current listing classifications, and more information about them is at the end of this news release.

Status reviews of all listed species are required by the ESA at least once every five years to determine whether a species' classification as threatened or endangered is still appropriate. If the best scientific and commercial data produced since the time of listing are not consistent with the current classification of any species, the Service will recommend a change in the species' federal classification. A species could be recommended for reclassification from endangered to threatened (downlisting), from threatened to endangered (uplisting), or for removal from the federal list of threatened and endangered species (delisting).

Any recommended change in classification would be subject to a separate rule-making process that includes opportunities for public review and comment. If no change in classification is recommended, the species would remain under its current listing status.

Information that is considered in a status review includes:

- Species biology, including but not limited to, population trends, distribution, abundance, demographics and genetics;
- Habitat conditions including, but not limited to, amount, distribution and suitability;
- Conservation measures that have been implemented that benefit the species;
- Threat status and trends; and
- Other new information, data or corrections including, but not limited to, taxonomic or nomenclatural changes, identification of erroneous information contained in the list, and improved analytical methods.

For more information on the 5-year reviews and where to submit comments and information please see today's **Federal Register**. More information on each of the species can be found at <http://www.fws.gov/angered/species/index.html>

The species being reviewed are:

TABLE 1— Summary of the Listing Information for the Following 46 Species in Idaho, Oregon, Washington, Nevada, Montana, Hawaii, Guam, and the Northern Mariana Islands.				
Common Name	Scientific Name	Status	Where listed	Final listing rule
ANIMALS				
Akepa, Maui	<i>Loxops coccineus ochraceus</i>	Endangered	U.S.A (HI)	35 FR 16047; 10/13/1970
Creeper, Molokai	<i>Paroreomyza flammea</i>	Endangered	U.S.A (HI)	35 FR 16047; 10/13/1970
Crow, Mariana (=aga)	<i>Corvus kubaryi</i>	Endangered	Western Pacific Ocean - U.S.A (Guam, Rota)	49 FR 33885; 8/27/1984
Duck, Laysan	<i>Anas laysanensis</i>	Endangered	U.S.A (HI)	32 FR 4001; 3/11/1967
Finch, Laysan	<i>Telespyza cantans</i>	Endangered	U.S.A (HI)	32 FR 4001; 3/11/1967
Fruit bat, Mariana	<i>Pteropus mariannus mariannus</i>	Threatened	Western Pacific Ocean - U.S.A (GU, MP)	70 FR 1190; 1/06/2005
Honeycreeper, crested	<i>Palmeria dolei</i>	Endangered	U.S.A (HI)	32 FR 4001; 3/11/1967
Kingfisher, Guam Micronesian	<i>Halcyon cinnamomina cinnamomina</i>	Endangered	Western Pacific Ocean - U.S.A (Guam)	49 FR 33885; 8/27/1984
Parrotbill, Maui	<i>Pseudonestor xanthophrys</i>	Endangered	U.S.A (HI)	32 FR 4001; 3/11/1967

Po`ouli	<i>Melamprosops phaeosoma</i>	Endangered	U.S.A (HI)	40 FR 44151; 9/25/1975
Rail, Guam	<i>Rallus owstoni</i>	Endangered, Non- Essential Experimental Population	Western Pacific Ocean - U.S.A (Guam, Rota)	49 FR 33881; 8/27/1984
Snail, Snake River physa	<i>Physa natricina</i>	Endangered	U.S.A (ID)	57 FR 59244; 12/14/1992
Thrush, Molokai	<i>Myadestes lanaiensis rutha</i>	Endangered	U.S.A (HI)	35 FR 16047; 10/13/1970
Trout, bull	<i>Salvelinus confluentus</i>	Threatened	U.S.A., coterminous (lower 48 states); occurs in ID, OR, WA, NV, and MT	64 FR 58910; 11/01/1999
White-eye, bridled	<i>Zosterops conspicillatus conspicillatus</i>	Endangered	Western Pacific Ocean - U.S.A (Guam)	49 FR 33885; 8/27/1984
PLANTS				
No common name	<i>Abutilon eremitopetalum</i>	Endangered	U.S.A (HI)	56 FR 47694; 9/20/1991
Liliwai	<i>Acaena exigua</i>	Endangered	U.S.A (HI)	57 FR 20787; 5/15/1992
Pua `ala	<i>Brighamia rockii</i>	Endangered	U.S.A (HI)	57 FR 46339; 10/8/1992
Kamanomano	<i>Cenchrus agrimonioides</i>	Endangered	U.S.A (HI)	61 FR 53123; 10/10/1996
Haha	<i>Cyanea dunbarii</i>	Endangered	U.S.A (HI)	61 FR 53137; 10/10/1996
Haha	<i>Cyanea hamatiflora</i> ssp. <i>hamatiflora</i>	Endangered	U.S.A (HI)	64 FR 48323; 9/3/1999
Haha	<i>Cyanea lobata</i>	Endangered	U.S.A (HI)	57 FR 20787; 5/15/1992
Haha	<i>Cyanea macrostegia</i> ssp. <i>gibsonii</i>	Endangered	U.S.A (HI)	56 FR 47694; 9/20/1991
Haha	<i>Cyanea mceldowneyi</i>	Endangered	U.S.A (HI)	57 FR 20787; 5/15/1992

Haha	<i>Cyanea procera</i>	Endangered	U.S.A (HI)	57 FR 46339; 10/8/1992
No common name	<i>Diplazium molokaiense</i>	Endangered	U.S.A (HI)	59 FR 49031; 9/26/1994
Na`ena`e	<i>Dubautia plantaginea</i> ssp. <i>humilis</i>	Endangered	U.S.A (HI)	64 FR 48323; 9/3/1999
Gardenia (=Na`u), Hawaiian	<i>Gardenia brighamii</i>	Endangered	U.S.A (HI)	50 FR 33731; 8/21/1985
Kopa	<i>Hedyotis</i> <i>schlechtendahliana</i> var. <i>remyi</i>	Endangered	U.S.A (HI)	64 FR 48323; 9/3/1999
Wawae`iole	<i>Huperzia mannii</i>	Endangered	U.S.A (HI)	57 FR 20787; 5/15/1992
Kohe malama malama o kanaloa	<i>Kanaloa kahoolawensis</i>	Endangered	U.S.A (HI)	64 FR 48323; 9/3/1999
Koki`o, Cooke's	<i>Kokia cookei</i>	Endangered	U.S.A (HI)	44 FR 62471; 10/30/1979
Kamakahala	<i>Labordia triflora</i>	Endangered	U.S.A (HI)	64 FR 48323; 9/3/1999
Nehe	<i>Lipochaeta kamolensis</i>	Endangered	U.S.A (HI)	57 FR 20787; 5/15/1992
No common name	<i>Lysimachia maxima</i>	Endangered	U.S.A (HI)	61 FR 53137; 10/10/1996
Alani	<i>Melicope adscendens</i>	Endangered	U.S.A (HI)	59 FR 62352; 12/5/1994
Alani	<i>Melicope knudsenii</i>	Endangered	U.S.A (HI)	59 FR 9327; 2/25/1994
Alani	<i>Melicope mucronulata</i>	Endangered	U.S.A (HI)	57 FR 20787; 5/15/1992
No common name	<i>Phyllostegia hispida</i>	Endangered	U.S.A (HI)	73 FR 9078; 2/19/2008
No common name	<i>Platanthera holochila</i>	Endangered	U.S.A (HI)	61 FR 53123; 10/10/1996
Lo`ulu	<i>Pritchardia munroi</i>	Endangered	U.S.A (HI)	57 FR 46339; 10/8/1992
No common name	<i>Pteris lidgatei</i>	Endangered	U.S.A (HI)	59 FR 49031; 9/26/1994

Remya, Maui	<i>Remya mauiensis</i>	Endangered	U.S.A (HI)	56 FR 1453; 1/14/1991
Naupaka, dwarf	<i>Scaevola coriacea</i>	Endangered	U.S.A (HI)	51 FR 17974; 5/16/1986
No common name	<i>Silene alexandri</i>	Endangered	U.S.A (HI)	57 FR 46339; 10/8/1992
No common name	<i>Stenogyne bifida</i>	Endangered	U.S.A (HI)	57 FR 46339; 10/8/1992

The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service is the principal Federal agency responsible for conserving, protecting and enhancing fish, wildlife and plants and their habitats for the continuing benefit of the American people. The Service manages the 95-million-acre National Wildlife Refuge System, which encompasses 545 national wildlife refuges, thousands of small wetlands and other special management areas. It also operates 69 national fish hatcheries, 64 fishery resources offices and 81 ecological services field stations. The agency enforces federal wildlife laws, administers the Endangered Species Act, manages migratory bird populations, restores nationally significant fisheries, conserves and restores wildlife habitat such as wetlands, and helps foreign and Native American tribal governments with their conservation efforts. It also oversees the Federal Assistance program, which distributes hundreds of millions of dollars in excise taxes on fishing and hunting equipment to state fish and wildlife agencies.

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