The applicant requests a permit to take (harass by survey and locate and monitor nests) the southwestern willow flycatcher (Empidonax traillii extimus) and the California least tern (Sterna antillarum browni), and take (locate and monitor nests) the least Bell’s vireo (Vireo bellii pusillus) in conjunction with surveys throughout the range of each species in California for the purpose of enhancing their survival.

Permit No. TE-094983
Applicant: Santa Barbara Botanic Garden, Santa Barbara, California.

The applicant requests a permit to remove/reduce to possession (collect) Arabis hoffmannii (Hoffmann’s rock-cress), Arenaria paludicola (Marsh sandwort), Astragalus pycnostachyus var. ianosisimus (Ventura marsh milk-vetch), Berberis nevini (Nevin’s barberry), Berberis pinnata ssp. insularis (island barberry), Castilleja grisea (San Clemente Island Indian paintbrush), Castilleja mollis (soft-leaved Indian paintbrush), Caulanthus californicus (California jewelflower), Cirsium fontinale var. obispoense (Chorro Creek bog thistle), Cirsium longochlepis (La Graciosa thistle), Clarkia speciosa ssp. immaculata (Pismo clarkia), Cordylanthus maritimus ssp. maritimus (salt marsh bird’s-beak), Deinandra increscens ssp. villosa (Gaviota tarplant), Delphinium variegatum ssp. kinkiense (San Clemente Island larkspur), Dudleya traskiae (Santa Barbara Island dudleya), Eriodictyon capitatum (Indian Knob mountain balm), Eriodictyon capitatum (Lompoc yerba santa), Erysimum menziesii ssp. yadonii (Menzies’ wall-flower), Galium buxfiolium (island bedstraw), Gilia tenuiflora ssp. hoffmannii (Hoffman’s slender-flowered gilia), Layia carnosa (beach layia), Lithophragma maximum (San Clemente Island woodland star), Lotus dendroides var. traskiae (San Clemente Island broom), Lupinus nipomensis (Nipomo Mesa lupine), Malacothamnus clementinus (San Clemente Island bush mallow), Malacothamnus fasciculatus var. nesioticus (Santa Cruz Island bush mallow), Malacothrix indecora (Santa Cruz Island malacothrix), Malacothrix squalida (island malacothrix), Pentactheata lioni (Lyon’s pentactheata), Rorippa gambellii (Gambel’s watercress), Sibarda filifolia (Santa Cruz Island rock-cress), and Thysanocarpus cochliformis (Santa Cruz Island fringepod) in conjunction with surveys throughout the range of each species in California for the purpose of enhancing their survival.

Permit No. TE-095561
Applicant: Berfin Anderson, Blythe, California.

The applicant requests a permit to take (harass by survey) the southwestern willow flycatcher (Empidonax traillii extimus) and the Yuma clapper rail (Rallus longirostris yumanensis) in conjunction with surveys in Riverside County, California, for the purpose of enhancing their survival.

We solicit public review and comment on each of these recovery permit applications.


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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
Fish and Wildlife Service

Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plants; Initiation of a 5-Year Review of Topeka Shiner (Notropis topeka)

AGENCY: Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of review.

SUMMARY: The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Service) announces a 5-year review of the Topeka shiner (Notropis topeka), a species of fish native to streams of the central plains region, under section 4(c)(2)(A) of the Endangered Species Act of 1973 (Act) (16 U.S.C. 1531 et seq.). A 5-year review is a periodic process conducted to ensure that the listing classification of a species is accurate. A 5-year review is based on the best scientific and commercial data available at the time of the review; therefore, we are requesting submission of any such information on the Topeka shiner that has become available since its original listing as an endangered species in 1998 (63 FR 69008). Based on the results of this 5-year review, we will make the requisite finding under section 4(c)(2)(B) of the Act.

DATES: To allow us adequate time to conduct this review, we must receive your information no later than February 7, 2005. However, we will continue to accept new information about any listed species at any time.

ADDRESSES: Submit information to the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Kansas Ecological Services Field Office, 313 Houston Street, Suite E, Manhattan, Kansas 66502. Information received in response to this notice and review will be available for public inspection, by appointment, during normal business hours, at the above address.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Vernon Tabor at the above address, by telephone (785) 539–3474, by facsimile (785) 539–8567, or by e-mail Vernon_Tabor@fws.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Under the Act, the Service maintains a list of endangered and threatened wildlife and plant species at 50 CFR 17.11 (for animals) and 17.12 (for plants). Section 4(c)(2)(A) of the Act requires that we conduct a review of listed species at least once every 5 years. Then, on the basis of such reviews under section 4(c)(2)(B), we determine whether or not any species should be removed from the list (delisted), or reclassified from endangered to threatened or from threatened to endangered. Delisting a species must be supported by the best scientific and commercial data available and only considered if such data substantiate that the species is neither endangered nor threatened for one or more of the following reasons—(1) the species is considered extinct; (2) the species is considered to be recovered; and/or (3) the original data available when the species was listed, or the interpretation of such data, were in error. Any change in Federal classification would require a separate rulemaking process. The regulations in 50 CFR 424.21 require that we publish a notice in the Federal Register announcing those species currently under active review. This notice announces our active review of the Topeka shiner currently listed as an endangered species.

Public Solicitation of New Information

To ensure that the 5-year review is complete and based on the best scientific and commercial information, we are soliciting new information from the public, concerned governmental agencies, Tribes, the scientific community, industry, environmental entities, and any other interested parties concerning the status of Topeka shiner.

The 5-year review considers the best scientific and commercial data and all new information that has become available since the listing determination or most recent status review. Categories of requested information include—(A) Species biology, including but not limited to, population trends, distribution, abundance, demographics, and genetics; (B) habitat conditions, including but not limited to, water quality, habitat, and distribution; and (C) conservation measures that have been
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

[NV–010–04–1020–DF]

Notice of Intent To Prepare an Environmental Impact Statement on Sensitive Bird Species in Three Grazing Allotments in Elko County, NV

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of Intent (NOI) to prepare an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS).

SUMMARY: In accordance with section 102(2)(C) of the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 and regulations at 40 CFR Parts 1500–1508, the Bureau of Land Management, Elko Field Office, will be preparing an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) on the effects of three multiple use decisions on sensitive bird species in three grazing allotments in Elko County, Nevada.

DATES: This Notice initiates the 30-day public scoping period. Within 30 days of the publication of this Notice, a public scoping meeting will be held at the BLM Elko Field Office, 3900 East Idaho Street, Elko, Nevada, to familiarize interested publics with the project and to identify issues and concerns to be addressed in the EIS. The scoping meeting will be announced through the local news media, newsletters, and the BLM Web site at www.nv.blm.gov/Elko at least 15 days prior to the event. Any additional public meetings, if necessary, will be announced similarly. Comments on issues can also be submitted in writing to the address listed below and for 30 days after publication of this Notice in the Federal Register. In addition to the ongoing public participation process, formal opportunities for public participation will be provided upon publication of the BLM Draft EIS.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments by any of the following methods:

—E-mail: rlister@nv.blm.gov
—Fax: (775) 753–0255
—Mail: Send to the attention of the Sensitive Species EIS Project Manager, BLM Elko Field Office, 3900 East Idaho Street, Elko, NV 89801

Comments, including names and street addresses of respondents, will be available for public review at the address above during regular business hours, 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, except holidays, and may be published as part of the EIS. Individual respondents may request confidentiality. If you wish to withhold your name or street address from public review or from disclosure under the Freedom of Information Act, you must state this prominently at the beginning of your written comment. However, we will not consider anonymous comments. 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 available for public inspection in their entirety. Comments and materials received will be available for public inspection, by appointment, during normal business hours (see ADDRESSES section).

Authority: This document is published under the authority of the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1531 et seq.).


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[FEDERAL REGISTER NOTICES]

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

National Park Service

National Register of Historic Places; Notification of Pending Nominations

Nominations for the following properties being considered for listing in the National Register were received by the National Park Service before November 13, 2004.

Pursuant to § 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, 1849 C St., NW., 2280, Washington, DC 20240.