DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

National Institutes of Health

Recombinant DNA Advisory Committee; Cancellation of Meeting

Notice is hereby given of the cancellation of the Recombinant DNA Advisory Committee, January 7, 1999, 5:50 p.m. to 9:30 p.m., Hyatt Regency Bethesda, One Bethesda Metro Center, Bethesda, Maryland 20814, which was published in the Federal Register on December 22, 1998, 63 FR 70789.

The meeting was canceled due to lack of agenda items.

Dated: January 6, 1999.

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Committee Management Officer, National Institutes of Health.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Fish and Wildlife Service

Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plants: Notice of Availability and Opening of Comment Period for an Application for Incidental Take Permit to Allow Take of an Endangered Species by the Town of Rome, Adams County, Wisconsin, and National Environmental Policy Act Determination

SUMMARY: The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Service) provides notice of the availability of a Habitat Conservation Plan/Incidental Take Permit Application from the Town of Rome, Adams County, Wisconsin, and the Service's National Environmental Policy Act Determination for the proposed action of permit issuance. The Applicant proposes to reconstruct approximately 4.25 miles of an existing roadway (Badger Avenue) which includes construction work in the associated road rights-of-way. An approximately 2.5-mile segment of the roadway project area includes patches of habitat occupied by the endangered Karner blue butterfly (Lycaenidae melissa samueli). Construction activities that may impact the Karner blue butterfly include clearing, grubbing, and grading operations. Post construction right-of-way mowing may also result in the take of the Karner blue butterfly. The applicant has prepared a Habitat Conservation Plan (HCP) for the project area which includes measures to minimize, mitigate and monitor impacts to the butterfly and its habitat. Due to the nature of the proposed action, the Service proposes to issue a permit for a period of 20 years to include the limited take of occupied habitat for the road construction project and subsequent mowing program, compensation for take through appropriate minimization and mitigation measures, and implementation of a post-construction monitoring program to assure the success of the minimization and mitigation measures. The HCP and Incidental Take Permit Application are available for public review and comment for a period of 30 days. All comments received, including commentors names and addresses, will become part of the Service's Administrative Record and may be made available to the public.

DATES: Written comments on the Habitat Conservation Plan/Incidental Take Permit Application and the Service's NEPA Determination should be received on or before February 11, 1999.

ADDRESSES: Persons wishing to review the application and associated documents may obtain copies by writing to the Regional HCP/NEPA Coordinator, Fish and Wildlife Service, 1 Federal Drive, Fort Snelling, Minnesota 55117-4056. Documents will be available for public inspection by appointment only, during normal business hours (8:00–4:30), at the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, 1 Federal Drive, Fort Snelling, Minnesota, (612–713-5350) and at the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, 1015 Challenger Court, Green Bay, Wisconsin (920–465-7440). Written comments should be submitted to the Regional HCP/NEPA Coordinator at the address listed above or via FAX at 612–713-5292. Please refer to permit number TE006295 when submitting comments.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ms. Lisa Mandel, Regional HCP/NEPA Coordinator, at (612) 713-5350.

Dated: January 5, 1999.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Indian Affairs

Receipt of Petitions for Federal Acknowledgment of Existence as an Indian Tribe

AGENCY: Bureau of Indian Affairs, Interior.

ACTION: Notice.

This notice is published in the exercise of authority delegated by the Secretary of the Interior to the Assistant Secretary—Indian Affairs by 209 DM 8. Pursuant to 25 CFR 83.9(a) notice is hereby given that the following groups have each filed a letter of intent to petition for acknowledgment by the Secretary of the Interior that the group exists as an Indian tribe. Each letter of intent was received by the Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) on the date indicated, and was signed by members of the group's governing body.