Plaza, New York, NY 10278. On-site registration will begin at 12:30 p.m.; workshop hours are 1 p.m. to 4 p.m.

Preliminary Agenda Highlights for the TA Workshop include: (1) Review of SAMHSA programs and priorities; (2) technical/practical aspects of the grant application process; (3) discussion of specific grant announcements; and (4) opportunity for questions and answers.

TA Workshop Arrangements and Contacts

There is no registration fee for the workshop. Participants do not need to preregister but are encouraged to call in advance to indicate their intention to attend; please call Ms. Renee Bell at (301) 984–1471, extension 353. Registrants will be responsible for costs associated with their own travel, meals, and lodging. For information regarding the content of the TA Workshop, please contact Mr. Stephen Sawmelle at (301) 443–1249.

SAMHSA suggests that the attendees be those persons having the responsibility for conceptualizing and writing the application.


Sandra Stephens,
Team Leader, Extramural Activities Team,
SAMHSA.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Fish and Wildlife Service

Intent To Revise the Comprehensive Conservation Plan and To Prepare an Environmental Impact Statement for Kodiak National Wildlife Refuge, Alaska

AGENCY: Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.

ACTION: Notice and Solicitation of Comments.

SUMMARY: The U.S. Fish and Service is revising the comprehensive conservation plan (comprehensive plan) for Kodiak National Wildlife Refuge, Alaska. This notice advises agencies and the public of our intent to gather information necessary to revise the plan and associated environmental impact statement (EIS) pursuant to the Alaska National Interest Lands Conservation Act, as amended (16 U.S.C. 3100 et seq.), the National Wildlife Refuge System Administration Act, as amended (16 U.S.C. 668d–668ee), and the National Environmental Policy Act, as amended (42 U.S.C. 4321–4347) and its implementing regulations. Specifically, we are seeking suggestions and information regarding the scope of issues to be addressed in the revised comprehensive plan and EIS. The comprehensive plan, completed in 1987, needs to be updated in response to new and revised laws, regulations and policies, and changing circumstances, and to provide management direction for about 175,000 acres of land acquired since completion of the comprehensive plan. In addition, we will re-evaluate the wilderness review and wild and scenic rivers study that were completed previously for refuge lands and waters.

DATES: Comments should be received no later than June 30, 1999.

ADDRESSES: Address comments to: Mike Haase, Refuge Planning, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, 1011 East Tudor Road, Anchorage, AK 99503; fax: 907/786–3965; electronic mail (E-mail): Mikel_Haase@fws.gov (submit as ASCII without special characters or any form of encryption or as WordPerfect files up to Version 8).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Contact Mike Haase at 907/786–3402.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On August 19, 1941, President Franklin D. Roosevelt established Kodiak National Wildlife Refuge by Executive Order 8857. The purpose of the refuge was to preserve the natural feeding and breeding range of the brown bear and other wildlife.

The Alaska National Interest Lands Conservation Act (ANILCA) was signed into law on December 2, 1980. This law clarified how federally owned lands in Alaska would be managed and used. Section 303 of ANILCA redesignated Kodiak National Wildlife Refuge and added about 50,000 acres on Afognak and Ban islands to the refuge. The purposes for which Kodiak Refuge was established and shall be managed, as stated in ANILCA, include: to conserve fish and wildlife populations and habitats in their natural diversity; to fulfill the international treaty obligations of the United States with respect to fish and wildlife and their habitats; to provide the opportunity for continued subsistence use by local residents; and to ensure water quality and necessary water quantity within the refuge.

Section 304(g) of ANILCA states that comprehensive plans shall be prepared and “from time to time” revised for each refuge. Before these comprehensive plans are prepared the following shall be identified and described: the populations and habitats of the fish and wildlife resources of the refuge; the special values of the refuge, as well as any other archeological, cultural, ecological, geological, historical, paleontological, scenic, or wilderness value of the refuge; areas of the refuge that are suitable for use as administrative sites or visitor facilities, or for visitor services; present and potential requirements for access; and significant problems which may adversely affect the populations and habitats of fish and wildlife. The comprehensive plans shall: designate areas within the refuge according to their respective resources and values; specify programs for conserving fish and wildlife and maintaining the special values of the refuge; specify uses which may be compatible with the major purposes of the refuge; and identify opportunities to be provided for fish and wildlife-oriented recreation, ecological research, environmental education and interpretation of refuge resources and values, if they are compatible with the purposes of the refuge.

The National Wildlife Refuge System Improvement Act of 1997, which amended the Refuge Administration Act, includes provisions for system wide refuge planning. This direction is being incorporated into national planning policy for the refuge system and will apply to refuges in Alaska. Should any provisions of the Refuge Administration Act conflict with the provisions of ANILCA, the provisions of ANILCA shall prevail for refuges in Alaska.

The Kodiak comprehensive plan, wilderness review, and environmental impact statement was completed in 1987. A public use management plan was prepared for the refuge and approved in 1993.

In preparing and revising comprehensive plans ANILCA requires consultation with appropriate State agencies and Native corporations and public hearings are to be held at appropriate locations to insure that those primarily affected by administration of the refuge (residents of local villages and political subdivisions of the State) have the opportunity to present their views with respect to the comprehensive plan revision. Before adopting a comprehensive plan, public notice in the Federal Register and an opportunity for public review and comment are required.

The comprehensive plan states that a full review and updating of the comprehensive plan will occur every 10 to 15 years, more often if necessary. In late 1998 we began reviewing the comprehensive plan for the refuge to determine if it should be revised.
Implementation of on-the-ground management actions is generally moving forward and refuge objectives are being accomplished. However, some of the management direction provided in the comprehensive plan needs to be updated. New and amended laws (e.g., the Refuge Improvement Act), new or revised regulations and policies, and changes in circumstances (e.g., federal management of subsistence hunting on Alaska refuges) need to be included in the management policies and guidelines. Management direction for approximately 175,000 acres of land acquired since the comprehensive plan was completed also needs to be incorporated into the plan. In addition, we believe that a re-evaluation of the wild and scenic river study (completed in the late 1970's) and the wilderness review (part of the original comprehensive plan/EIS) is necessary, given the amount of time that has passed since the original recommendations were made. Therefore, the Service has decided that a revision of the Kodiak comprehensive plan is necessary.

This notice formally begins the revision of the comprehensive plan for the Kodiak National Wildlife Refuge. As the first step, we are soliciting comments on the issues to be addressed in the revised plan/EIS. Comments should be specific and should address refuge resources, how we manage those resources, and how the public is affected. In addition to soliciting public comments through this notice, public comments will be solicited through a newsletter to be mailed to approximately 2,000 individuals and organizations on our mailing list. The comprehensive plan revision will be addressed during a series of community meetings to be held in Akhiok, Karluk, Larsen Bay, Old Harbor, Ouzinkie, and Port Lions in March and April 1999. Meetings will be scheduled during May in Kodiak and Anchorage. Once issues are identified, we will develop options to address the issues and prepare a draft comprehensive plan/EIS. This document is scheduled to be released for public review in the fall of 2000. After public review and comment on the draft comprehensive plan/EIS, including public hearings, a final comprehensive plan/EIS will be prepared and released.

Hannibal Bolton,
Acting Deputy Regional Director, Anchorage, Alaska.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
Bureau of Land Management
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Alaska Native Claims Selection

In accordance with Departmental regulations 43 CFR 2650.7(d), notice is hereby given that a decision to issue conveyance under the provisions of Sec. 14(a) of the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act of December 18, 1971, (ANCSA), 43 U.S.C. 1601, 1613(e), will be issued to Ouzinkie Native Corporation for approximately 79.99 acres. The lands involved are in the vicinity of Port Lions, Alaska, situated on Kodiak Island.

U.S. Survey No. 9278, Alaska.

A notice of the decisions will be published once a week, for four (4) consecutive weeks, in the Kodiak Daily Mirror. Copies of the decisions may be obtained by contacting the Alaska State Office of the Bureau of Land Management, 222 West Seventh Avenue, #13, Anchorage, Alaska 99513–7599 ((907) 271–5960).

Any party claiming a property interest which is adversely affected by the decisions, shall have until June 2, 1999 to file an appeal. However, parties receiving service by certified mail shall have 30 days from the date of receipt to file an appeal. Appeals must be filed in the Bureau of Land Management at the address identified above, where the requirements for filing an appeal may be obtained. Parties who do not file an appeal in accordance with the requirements in 43 CFR part 4, subpart E, shall be deemed to have waived their rights.

Patricia A. Baker,
Land Law Examiner, ANCSA Team, Branch of 962 Adjudication.

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Bureau of Land Management

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Notice of Correction, Lakeview District

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management (BLM).

SUMMARY: The following represents corrections to previous Federal Register notices published by the Lakeview District, BLM:

(1) Federal Register notice: October 20, 1998, Volume 63, Number 202, Page 56042, under Penalties: The appropriate regulation citation should be 43 CFR 8365.1–6.

(2) Federal Register notice: June 12, 1998, Volume 63, Number 113, Pages 32244–32245, under Penalties: The appropriate regulation citation should be 43 CFR 8364.1(d).