ACTION: Extension of Deadline Date.

SUMMARY: On July 18, 2003, HUD and the Department of Labor (DOL) jointly announced the availability of approximately $12.5 million to help address chronic homelessness. This notice advises interested parties that, as a result of the emergency situation caused by the power outages that affected much of the Mid-Atlantic and the Mid-West, HUD and DOL have decided to extend the application submission date for the Notice of Funding Availability/Solicitation for Grant Applications (SGA) to Monday, August 25, 2003.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: John Garrity, Director, Office of Special Needs Assistance Programs, Office of Community Planning and Development, Room 7262, Department of Housing and Urban Development, 451 Seventh Street, SW., Washington, DC 20410–0500, (202) 708–4300 (this is not a toll-free number). Persons with hearing or speech impairments access this number through TTY by calling the toll-free Federal Information Relay Service at (800) 877–8339.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On July 18, 2003 (68 FR 42818), HUD and DOL jointly published a Solicitation for Grant Applications (SGA)/ Notice of Funding Availability that announced approximately $12.5 million to help address chronic homelessness. Of this amount, the Office of Disability Employment Policy at DOL made available $2.5 million to award up to four cooperative agreements designed to increase and improve employment opportunities for persons who are chronically homeless. HUD announced the availability of approximately $10 million for permanent housing grants from recaptured McKinney Act monies. The deadline for applications established by the July 18, 2003, notice was August 20, 2003.

As a result of the emergency situation caused by the power outages that affected much of Mid-Atlantic and the Mid-West beginning on August 14, 2003, HUD and DOL have decided to extend the application submission date for the Notice of Funding Availability/Solicitation for Grant Applications (SGA) to Monday, August 25, 2003. This notice is consistent with a similar notice extending the deadline for applications for this joint Solicitation for Grant Applications/ Notice of Funding Availability that will be appear in the Federal Register on Thursday, August 21, 2003.

Other than extension of the application due date, no other changes are made to the NOFA. All applications must continue to be submitted to the U.S. Department of Labor, Procurement Services Center, Room N–5416, 200 Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20210, by the new application deadline—not later than 4:45 pm e.s.t., August 25, 2003.


John Garrity, Director, Office of Special Needs Assistance Programs, Office of Community Planning and Development.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Fish and Wildlife Service

Draft Handbook for Candidate Conservation Agreements With Assurances and Enhancement of Survival Permit Processing

AGENCY: Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of document availability; extension of comment period.

SUMMARY: We, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, are extending the comment period for the Draft Handbook for Candidate Conservation Agreements with Assurances and Enhancement of Survival Permit Processing. This draft document provides internal guidance for conducting the Candidate Conservation Agreement with Assurances permit program under section 10(a)(1)(A) of the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (Act). Comments previously submitted need not be resubmitted as they will be incorporated into the public record as part of this extended comment period, and will be fully considered in the final rule.

DATES: Comments on the Draft Handbook for Candidate Conservation Agreements with Assurances and Enhancement of Survival Permit Processing must be received on or before September 22, 2003, to be considered during preparation of a final guidance document.

ADDRESSES: Persons wishing to review the Draft Handbook for Candidate Conservation Agreements with Assurances and Enhancement of Survival Permit Processing may obtain a copy by contacting the Division of Conservation and Classification, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, 4401 North Fairfax Drive, Room 420, Arlington, Virginia 22203 (telephone 703/358–2105), and may be viewed at: http://endangered.fws.gov/candidates/ccaahandbook.html. Written comments and materials regarding the draft guidance should be directed to the same address. Comments and materials received will be available for public inspection, by appointment, during normal business hours at the above address.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Chris Nolin, Chief, Division of Conservation and Classification, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, at the above address (703–358–2105)

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

On June 23, 2003, we published in the Federal Register a notice of availability for the draft Handbook for Candidate Conservation Agreements with Assurances and Enhancement of Survival Permit Processing (68 FR 37170). This draft handbook provides consistent procedures and policies for the Service’s compliance with the enhancement of survival permit provisions of section 10(a)(1)(A) of the Act. Consistency in the section 10(a)(1)(A) program will be achieved by (1) providing national procedural and policy guidance; (2) providing standardized guidance to our offices and personnel who participate in the Candidate Conservation Agreements with Assurances program and review and process enhancement of survival permit applications; (3) ensuring uniform Service compliance with section 10(a)(1)(A) of the Act associated with a Candidate Conservation Agreement with Assurances; (4) providing assistance to applicants in the non-Federal sector who wish to apply for enhancement of survival permits; and (5) providing for conservation of federally proposed, candidate, and other at-risk species. For further information, please refer to the June 23, 2003, Federal Register notice and the draft Handbook.

Public Comments Solicited

We intend that a final decision on the Draft Handbook for Candidate Conservation Agreements with Assurances and Enhancement of Survival Permit Processing will take advantage of information and recommendations from all interested parties. Therefore, comments or suggestions from the public, other concerned governmental agencies, the scientific community, industry, or any other interested party concerning this draft document are hereby solicited. All comments and materials received will be considered prior to the approval of a
final document. Previously submitted comments need not be resubmitted.

Authority: The authority for this action is the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1531 et seq.).


Steve Williams,
Director, Fish and Wildlife Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
Bureau of Indian Affairs

Proposed Information Collection Under the Paperwork Reduction Act; Comment Request

AGENCY: Bureau of Indian Affairs, Interior.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) invites comments on an information collection request which will be renewed. The collection is: Gaming on Trust Lands Acquired After October 17, 1988, 25 CFR 292.

OMB Control No. 1076–0158.

Title: Gaming on Trust Lands Acquired After October 17, 1988, 25 CFR 292.

Type of review: Extension of a currently-approved collection.

Title: Gaming on Trust Lands Acquired After October 17, 1988, 25 CFR 292.

Authority: Title 25, Part 292, is an implementation of Section 1 of the Indian Gaming Regulatory Act (IGRA), which is authorized by Sections 904, 101, 108, and 109 of IGRA, 25 U.S.C. 4094, 4091, 4098, and 4099.

Date: October 17, 1988.

The Department of Labor, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, conducts a preclearance consultation program to provide the general public and Federal agencies with an opportunity to comment on proposed and/or continuing collections of information in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA95) [44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)]. This program helps to ensure that requested data can be provided in the desired format, reporting burden (time and financial resources) is minimized, collection instruments are clearly understood, and