DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

Meeting of the California Desert District Advisory Council

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of public meeting.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given, in accordance with Public Laws 92–463 and 94–579, that the California Desert District Advisory Council to the Bureau of Land Management, U.S. Department of the Interior, will meet in formal session on Friday, June 24, 2005, from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Saturday, June 25 from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. The meeting will be held in the California Desert District Public Affairs Office, managed by the California Desert District, located at 700 North Haven Avenue, in Ontario, California.

Tentative agenda items include the following:
—Reports by Council members, the District Manager and five field office managers.
—Update on the West Mojave Plan.
—Discussions regarding the formation of a technical review team (TRT) to evaluate the special use permit process for events held in the California Desert District.
—Discussions regarding the formation of a TRT for Dumont Dunes and a TRT for the El Mirage Dry Lake Recreation Area.
—Public comment for items not on the agenda.

All Desert District Advisory Council meetings are open to the public. Time for public comment may be made available by the Council Chairman during the presentation of various agenda items, and is scheduled at the end of the meeting for topics not on the agenda.

Written comments also are accepted at the time of the meeting and, if copies are provided to the recorder, will be incorporated into the minutes.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Doran Sanchez, BLM California Desert District Public Affairs Specialist (951) 697–5220.

Dated: May 12, 2005.

Linda Hansen,
District Manager.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Fish and Wildlife Service

Receipt of Applications for Permit

AGENCY: Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of receipt of applications for permit.

SUMMARY: The public is invited to comment on the following applications to conduct certain activities with endangered species and marine mammals.

DATES: Written data, comments or requests for copies of these complete applications or requests must be received by June 20, 2005.

ADDRESSES: Documents and other information submitted with these applications are available for review, subject to the requirements of the Privacy Act and Freedom of Information Act, by any party who submits a written request for a copy of such documents within 30 days of the date of publication of this notice to: U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Division of Management Authority, 4401 North Fairfax Drive, Room 700, Arlington, Virginia 22203; fax 703/358–2281.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Division of Management Authority, telephone 703/358–2104.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Endangered Species

The public is invited to comment on the following applications for a permit to conduct certain activities with endangered species. This notice is provided pursuant to Section 10(c) of the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1531, et seq.). Written data, comments, or requests for copies of these complete applications should be submitted to the Director (address above).

Applicant: James R. Ake, Dunkirk, MD, PRT–100021.

The applicant requests a permit to import the sport-hunted trophy of one male bontebok (Damaliscus pygargus pygargus) culled from a captive herd maintained under the management program of the Republic of South Africa, for the purpose of enhancement of the survival of the species.

Applicant: Richard A. Bonander, Casper, WY, PRT–102452.

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The applicant requests a permit to import the sport-hunted trophy of one male red lechwe (Kobus leche) from his captive herd for the purpose of enhancement of the survival of the species.

Applicant: Carl E. Beal, III, Blackwell, TX, PRT–098182.

The applicant requests a permit to authorize interstate and foreign commerce, export and cull of excess male bontebok (Damaliscus pygargus pygargus) culled from a captive herd maintained under the management program of the Republic of South Africa, for the purpose of enhancement of the survival of the species.

Applicant: Craig T. Boddington, Templeton, CA, PRT–102421.

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Applicant: Carl E. Beal, III, Blackwell, TX, PRT–098182.
Applicant: John J. Keslar Rector, PA, PRT–102694.

The applicant requests a permit to import a polar bear (Ursus maritimus) sport hunted from the Southern Beaufort Sea polar bear population in Canada for personal, noncommercial use.

Dated: May 6, 2005.

Monica Farris,
Senior Permit Biologist, Branch of Permits, Division of Management Authority.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
Geological Survey
Request for Public Comments on Extension of Existing Information Collection To Be Submitted to OMB for Review Under the Paperwork Reduction Act

A request extending the information collection described below will be submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for approval under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35).

Copies of the proposed collection may be obtained by contacting the USGS Clearance Officer at the phone number listed below. Comments on the proposal should be made within 60 days to the Bureau Clearance Officer, U.S. Geological Survey, 807 National Center, Reston, VA 20192.

As required by OMB regulations at 5 CFR 1320.8(d), the USGS solicits specific public comments as to:

1. Whether the collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions on the bureaus, including whether the information will have practical utility;
2. The accuracy of the bureau’s estimate of the burden of the collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;
3. The quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and
4. How to minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other forms of information technology.

Title: Earthquake Report.
OMB Approval No: 1028–0048.
Summary: The collection of information referred herein applies to a World-Wide Web site questionnaire that permits individuals to report on the effects of shaking from an earthquake—on themselves personally, buildings, other man-made structures, and ground effects such as faulting or landslides. The USGS may use the information to provide qualitative, quantitative, or graphical descriptions of earthquake damage.

Estimated Completion Time: 6 minutes.
Estimated Annual Number of Respondents: 100,000.
Frequency: After each earthquake.
Estimated Annual Burden Hours: 10,000 hours.
Affected Public: The general public.
For Further Information Contact: To obtain copies of the survey, contact the Bureau clearance officer, U.S. Geological Survey, 807 National Center, 12201 Sunrise Valley Drive, Reston, Virginia 20192, telephone (703) 648–7313, or go to the Web site (http://pasadena.wr.usgs.gov/shake/).

Dated: May 16, 2005.

P. Patrick Leahy,
Associate Director for Geology.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
Bureau of Indian Affairs
Notice of Intent To Prepare an Environmental Impact Statement for the Proposed Enterprise Rancheria Fee-to-Trust Transfer and Casino-Hotel Project, Yuba County, CA

AGENCY: Bureau of Indian Affairs, Interior.
ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This notice advises the public that the Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) as lead agency, with the Estom Yumeka Maidu Tribe (Enterprise Rancheria) as a cooperating agency, intends to gather information necessary for preparing an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for a proposed 40 acre fee-to-trust transfer and casino and hotel project to be located in Yuba County, California. The purpose of the proposed action is to help provide a land base for, and address the socio-economic needs of the Enterprise Rancheria. This notice also announces a public scoping meeting to identify potential issues, concerns and alternatives to be considered in the EIS.

DATES: Written comments on the scope and implementation of this proposal must arrive by June 20, 2005. The public scoping meeting, to be co-hosted by the BIA and the Enterprise Rancheria, will be held June 9, 2005, from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m., or until the last public comment is received.

ADDRESSES: You may mail or hand carry written comments to Clay Gregory, Regional Director, Pacific Regional Office, Bureau of Indian Affairs, 2800 Cottage Way, Sacramento, California 95825. Please include your name, return address and caption, “DEIS Scoping Comments, Enterprise Rancheria, 40 Acre Fee-to-Trust Casino/Hotel Project, Yuba County, California,” on the first page of your written comments.

The public scoping meeting will be held at the Elk’s Lodge, 920 D Street, Marysville, California 95901–5322.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: John Rydzik, (916) 978–6042.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The 40 acre project site is located 4 miles southeast of the Community of Olivehurst, California, near the intersection of Forty Mile Road and State Route 65, in unincorporated Yuba County. The site is currently undeveloped and in use for hay farming. Surrounding land uses include agriculture, open space and entertainment.

The proposed action consists of the placing of a 40 acre parcel, currently privately owned, into federal trust status and the construction of a casino-hotel project, for the benefit of the Enterprise Rancheria. The proposed construction would consist of a 207,760 square-foot gaming facility and a 107,125 square-foot hotel on the 40 acre parcel. The two-story gaming facility would include a casino floor, food and beverage areas (including a buffet, gourmet restaurant, and bar), meeting space, guest support services, offices and security area. The eight-story hotel would contain 170 rooms (152 standard rooms and 18 suites) and would feature a lobby area, retail space, exercise room and arcade.

The BIA previously prepared an Environmental Assessment (EA) that analyzed the potential environmental effects of the proposed action. The EA was made available for public comments in July 2004. Upon consideration of the public and agency comments received during the 30-day public comment period, the BIA, in consultation with the Enterprise Rancheria, decided to prepare an EIS to further analyze the environmental effects which may result from the proposed action.

Areas of environmental concern to be addressed in the EIS include land use, geology and soils, water resources, agricultural resources, biological resources, cultural resources, mineral resources, paleontological resources, traffic and transportation, noise, air quality, public health/environmental hazards, public services and utilities, hazardous waste and materials, socio-economics, environmental justice, and...