on maintaining public use infrastructure such as nature trails and information kiosks, while de-emphasizing interactive programs.

With the publication of this notice, the public is encouraged to send written comments regarding this Draft CCP/EA. The public will also have opportunities to provide comments at public meetings or open house meetings. Places, dates and times of the meetings will also be advertised locally and at our Web site, http://www.fws.gov/northeast/longislandrefuges/. After the 30-day review and comment period ends on July 19, 2006, we will analyze, address, and consider all comments in revised planning documents.

All comments, including names and addresses, become part of the official public record. Requests for the public record of this plan will be handled in accordance with the Freedom of Information Act, the Council on Environmental Quality’s NEPA regulations, and other Service and Environmental Quality Information Act, the Council on Environmental Quality’s NEPA regulations, and other Service and Departmental policies and procedures.

DATED: June 8, 2006.

Marvin E. Moriarty,
Regional Director, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Hadley, MA 01035–9589.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
Fish and Wildlife Service

Notice of Availability, Draft Restoration Plan

AGENCY: U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior.

ACTION: Notice of availability.

SUMMARY: The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Service), on behalf of the Department of the Interior (DOI) as the sole natural resource trustee, announces the release for public review of the Draft Restoration Plan (RP) for the Cortese Landfill Superfund Site (Site). As a result of remedial activities and the off-site migration of Site-related contaminants, 1.6 acres of wetland were destroyed and/or degraded. Adversely affected natural resources include waterfowl, wading birds, hawks, woodpeckers, swallows, migratory songbirds, invertebrates, reptiles, and amphibians. In addition, the section of the Upper Delaware River watershed near the Site hosts the largest population of wintering bald eagles in the Northeast. The embayment provides feeding and/or spawning habitat for forage fish, American shad, striped bass, and American eel. The funds available from this settlement for restoration activities total approximately $85,000. The restoration project proposed in the Draft RP involves wet meadow/wetland restoration and protection.

The Draft RP presents a preferred alternative consisting of a restoration project that compensates for impacts to natural resources caused by contaminant releases and remedial activities associated with the Site.

DATES: Written comments must be submitted on or before July 19, 2006.

ADDRESSES: Requests for copies of the Draft RP may be made to: U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, New York Field Office, 3817 Luker Road, Cortland, New York 13045. Interested parties may also call 607–753–9334 or e-mail Ken_Karwowski@fws.gov for further information.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: In May 1996, a natural resource damage settlement was achieved for the Site. The Service, on behalf of the DOI, was the sole settling Trustee. The funds available from the settlement for restoration activities total approximately $85,000.

The Draft RP is being released in accordance with the CERCLA of 1980 as amended, commonly known as Superfund (42 U.S.C. 9601 et seq.), the Natural Resource Damage Assessment Regulations found at 43 CFR, part 11, and the National Environmental Policy Act. It is intended to describe the Trustee’s proposal to restore natural resources injured at the Site and evaluate the potential impacts of the project.

The Draft RP describes a number of habitat restoration and protection alternatives and discusses the environmental consequences of each. The restoration effort with the greatest potential to restore natural resources and services that were injured by contaminants or remedial activities is preferred. Based on an evaluation of the various restoration alternatives, the preferred alternative consists of a restoration project involving wet meadow/wetland restoration and protection.

Interested members of the public are invited to review and comment on the Draft RP. Copies of the Draft RP are available for review at the Service’s New York Field Office, Oyster Bay Office Building, 200 Country Club Drive, Oyster Bay, New York 11771.

For further information contact: Thomas Bonetti, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, New York Field Office, Regional Director, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Hadley, MA 01035–9589, or by electronic mail to northeasterplanning@fws.gov. You may also download the document at http://library.fws.gov/ccps.htm, or http://www.fws.gov/northeast/longislandrefuges/.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Thomas Bonetti, 413–253–8307.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Long Island NWR Complex includes Amagansett, Conscience Point, Elizabeth A. Morton, Oyster Bay, Seautuck, Target Rock, and Wertheim NWRs, along with the Lido Beach Wildlife Management Area and the Sayville Unit. The Long Island NWR Complex spans over 6,200 acres in Suffolk and Nassau Counties of New York State. Management focuses on migratory birds, threatened and endangered species, and their habitats.

This Draft CCP/EA describes the desired future conditions for the refuges, and identifies goals, long-range objectives, and strategies for achieving the purposes for which these refuges were established. The documents poses three management alternatives:

Alternative A is our “No Action” alternative required by NEPA.

Alternative B, the “Proposed Action” alternative, will increase the protection and management of migratory wildlife, endangered and threatened species, and other species of concern. This alternative will also increase the number and quality of wildlife-dependent recreational opportunities, and allow us to utilize the Long Island NWR Complex’s proximity to New York City and urban communities to better promote national Wildlife Refuge System principles and improve public support for national wildlife refuges.

Alternative C proposes less emphasis on public use to further protect threatened and endangered species, control invasive species, and enforce regulations. This alternative will focus...
York Field Office at 3817 Luker Road, Cortland, New York. Additionally, the Draft RP will be available for review at the following Web site link: http://nyfo.fws.gov/eca/CorteseDRP.pdf. Written comments will be considered and addressed in the final RP/Environmental Assessment at the conclusion of the restoration planning process.

Author: The primary author of this notice is Ken Karwowski, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, New York Field Office, 3817 Luker Road, Cortland, New York 13045.

Authority: The authority for this action is the CERCLA of 1980 as amended, commonly known as Superfund, (42 U.S.C. 9601 et seq.), and the Natural Resource Damage Assessment Regulations found at 43 CFR, part 11.

Dated: June 5, 2006.

Kathleen Bangert,

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Fish and Wildlife Service

Notice of Availability, Draft Restoration Plan

AGENCY: U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior.

ACTION: Notice of availability.

SUMMARY: The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Service), on behalf of the Department of the Interior (DOI), the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), and the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC), as natural resource trustees, announces the release for public review of the Draft Restoration Plan (RP) for the Mattiacie Petrochemical Superfund Site (Site). The Draft RP presents a preferred alternative, consisting of a single restoration project that compensates for impacts to natural resources caused by contaminant releases and remedial activities associated with the Site.

DATES: Written comments must be submitted on or before July 19, 2006.

ADDRESSES: Requests for copies of the Draft RP may be made to: U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, New York Field Office, 3817 Luker Road, Cortland, New York 13045.

Written comments or materials regarding the Draft RP should be sent to the same address.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ken Karwowski, Environmental Contaminants Program, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, New York Field Office, 3817 Luker Road, Cortland, New York 13045. Interested parties may also call 607–753–9334 or e-mail Ken.Karwowski@fws.gov for further information.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: During the period of March 1996 through December 2000, natural resource damage settlements were achieved for the Site. NOAA and the State of New York were settling Trustees with the Department of the Interior. A variety of hazardous chemicals were discharged from the Site into Glen Cove Creek located in the Town of Oyster Bay, Nassau County, New York. Chemical releases and remedial activities at the Site adversely affected natural resources such as anadromous, catadromous, euryhaline and marine finfish, shellfish and invertebrates, waterfowl, other migratory birds, and reptiles. The funds available from the settlement for restoration activities total approximately $155,000.

The Draft RP is being released in accordance with the CERCLA of 1980 as amended, commonly known as Superfund, (42 U.S.C. 9601 et seq.), the Natural Resource Damage Assessment Regulations found at 43 CFR, part 11, and the National Environmental Policy Act. It is intended to describe the Trustees’ proposal to restore natural resources injured at the Site and evaluate the potential impacts of the project.

The Draft RP describes a number of habitat restoration and protection alternatives and discusses the environmental consequences of each. The restoration effort with the greatest potential to restore natural resources and services that were injured by contaminants or remedial activities is preferred. Based on an evaluation of the various restoration alternatives, the preferred alternative consists of a single restoration project involving tidal marsh/wetland restoration and protection.

Interested members of the public are invited to review and comment on the Draft RP. Copies of the Draft RP are available for review at the Service’s New York Field Office at 3817 Luker Road, Cortland, New York. Additionally, the Draft RP will be available for review at the following Web site link: http://nyfo.fws.gov/eca/MattiacieDRP.pdf. Written comments will be considered and addressed in the final RP/Environmental Assessment at the conclusion of the restoration planning process.

Author: The primary author of this notice is Ken Karwowski, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, New York Field Office, 3817 Luker Road, Cortland, New York 13045.

Authority: The authority for this action is the CERCLA of 1980 as amended, commonly known as Superfund, (42 U.S.C. 9601 et seq.), and the Natural Resource Damage Assessment Regulations found at 43 CFR, part 11.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Fish and Wildlife Service

Notice of Availability of Final Comprehensive Conservation Plan (CCP) for Maxwell National Wildlife Refuge, Maxwell, NM

AGENCY: Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior.

ACTION: Notice of availability.

SUMMARY: The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Service) announces that the Final CCP for the Maxwell National Wildlife Refuge is available. This CCP was prepared pursuant to the National Wildlife Refuge System Administration Act of 1966, as amended by the National Wildlife Refuge System Improvement Act of 1997 (16 U.S.C. 668dd–668ee et seq.), and the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (42 U.S.C. 4321–4370d). Goals and objectives in the CCP describe how the Service intends to manage the refuge over the next 15 years.

ADDRESSES: Copies of the CCP are available on compact disk or in hard copy, and can be obtained by writing: U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Attn: Carol Torrez, Division of Planning, P.O. Box 1306, Albuquerque, New Mexico, 87103–1306. It will be available for viewing or downloaded online at http://www.fws.gov/southwest/refuges/plan/index.html.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Patty Hoban, Refuge Manager, Maxwell National Wildlife Refuge, P.O. Box 1306, Maxwell, New Mexico 87728; telephone: 505–375–2331; or Carol Torrez, Biologist/Natural Resource Planner, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Division of Planning, P.O. Box 1306, Albuquerque, New Mexico, 87103–