When submitting comments by e-mail please make sure to add OMB Control Number 1615–0097 in the subject box. Written comments and suggestions from the public and affected agencies should address one or more of the following four points:  
(1) Type of Information Collection: Revision of a currently approved information collection.  
(2) Title of the Form/Collection: Sworn Statement of Refugee Applying for Admission into the United States.  
(4) Affected public who will be asked or required to respond, as well as a brief abstract: Primary: Individuals or households. The data collected on this form is used by the DHS to determine eligibility for the admission of applicants to the United States as refugees.  
(5) An estimate of the total number of respondents and the amount of time estimated for an average respondent to respond: 75,000 responses at 20 minutes (.333 hours) per response.  
(6) An estimate of the total public burden (in hours) associated with the collection: 24,975 annual burden hours.  
If you have additional comments, suggestions, or need a copy of the information collection instrument, please visit the USCIS Web site at: http://www.regulations.gov/.  
We may also be contacted at: USCIS, Regulatory Management Division, 111 Massachusetts Avenue, NW., Suite 3008, Washington, DC 20529–2210, Telephone number 202–272–8377.  
Dated: December 24, 2008.  
Stephen Tarragon, 
Deputy Chief, Regulatory Management Division, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services, Department of Homeland Security. [FR Doc. E8–31130 Filed 12–30–08; 8:45 am]  
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DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT  

Federal Property Suitable as Facilities To Assist the Homeless  

AGENCY: Office of the Assistant Secretary for Community Planning and Development, HUD.  
ACTION: Notice.  
SUMMARY: This Notice identifies unutilized, underutilized, excess, and surplus Federal property reviewed by HUD for suitability for possible use to assist the homeless.  
DATES: Effective Date: December 31, 2008.  
FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Kathy Ezzell, Department of Housing and Urban Development, 451 Seventh Street, SW., Room 7262, Washington, DC 20410; telephone (202) 708–1234; TTY number for the hearing- and speech-impaired (202) 708–2565, (these telephone numbers are not toll-free), or call the toll-free Title V information line at 800–927–7588.  
SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: In accordance with the December 12, 1988 court order in National Coalition for the Homeless v. Veterans Administration, No. 88–2503–OG (D.D.C.), HUD publishes a Notice, on a weekly basis, identifying unutilized, underutilized, excess and surplus Federal buildings and real property that HUD has reviewed for suitability for use to assist the homeless. Today’s Notice is for the purpose of announcing that no additional properties have been determined suitable or unsuitable this week.  
Mark K. Johnston,  
Deputy Assistant Secretary for Special Needs. [FR Doc. E8–31059 Filed 12–30–08; 8:45 am]  
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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR  

Fish and Wildlife Service  

Endangered and Threatened Species Permit Applications  

AGENCY: Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.  
ACTION: Notice of receipt of applications.  
SUMMARY: The following applicants have applied for scientific research permits to conduct certain activities with endangered species under the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (Act).  
DATES: To ensure consideration, written comments must be received on or before January 30, 2009.  
ADDRESSES: Written comments should be submitted to the Chief, Endangered Species Division, Ecological Services, P.O. Box 1306, Room 6034, Albuquerque, New Mexico 87103. 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. Documents will be available for public inspection, by appointment only, during normal business hours at the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, 500 Gold Ave., SW., Room 6034, Albuquerque, New Mexico. Please refer to the respective permit number for each application when submitting comments.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:
Susan Jacobsen, Chief, Endangered Species Division, P.O. Box 1306, Room 6034, Albuquerque, New Mexico 87103, (505) 248–6920.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Public Availability of Comments
Before including your address, phone number, e-mail address, or other personal identifying information in your comment, you should be aware that your entire comment—including your personal identifying information—may be made publicly available at any time. While you can ask us in your comment to withhold your personal identifying information from public review, we cannot guarantee that we will be able to do so.

Permit TE–198057
Applicant: Blackbird Environmental, LLC, Norman, Oklahoma.
Applicant requests a new permit for research and recovery purposes to conduct presence/absence surveys of American burying beetle (Nicrophorus americanus) within Texas, Oklahoma, and Arkansas.

Permit TE–195191
Applicant: Baer Engineering and Environmental Consultants, Inc., Austin, Texas.
Applicant requests a new permit for research and recovery purposes to conduct presence/absence surveys of black-capped vireo (Vireo atricapilla) and golden-cheeked warbler (Dendroica chrysoparia) within Texas.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
Fish and Wildlife Service
Mattamuskeet National Wildlife Refuge, Hyde County, NC
AGENCY: Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior.
ACTION: Notice of availability: Final comprehensive conservation plan and finding of no significant impact.

SUMMARY: We, the Fish and Wildlife Service (Service), announce the availability of our final comprehensive conservation plan (CCP) and finding of no significant impact (FONSI) for Mattamuskeet National Wildlife Refuge (NWR). In the final CCP, we describe how we will manage this refuge for the next 15 years.

ADDRESSES: A copy of the CCP may be obtained by writing to: Mr. Bruce Freske, Refuge Manager, Mattamuskeet NWR, 38 Mattamuskeet Road, Swan Quarter, NC 27885. The CCP may also be accessed and downloaded from the Service’s Internet site: http://southeast.fws.gov/planning.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Bruce Freske, Refuge Manager, Mattamuskeet NWR; Telephone: 252/926–4021; fax: 252/926–1743; e-mail: bruce_freske@fws.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Introduction
With this notice, we finalize the CCP process for Mattamuskeet NWR. We started this process through a notice in the Federal Register on February 7, 2001 (66 FR 9353). For more about the process, see that notice.

Mattamuskeet NWR was established in 1934, and conserves 50,180 acres of habitats around Lake Mattamuskeet, including the lake itself. At 40,000 acres, Lake Mattamuskeet is North Carolina’s largest natural lake. The refuge supports significant wintering populations of ducks, Canada geese, snow geese, and tundra swans. Concentrations of bald eagles and other raptors, wading birds, and shorebirds occur seasonally. Significant fishery resources including largemouth bass, sunfish (bream), white perch, crappie, alewives (herring), and blue crabs are associated with Lake Mattamuskeet and canals. Habitats consist of open water (40,000 acres), freshwater marsh (3,640 acres), forested wetlands (3,503 acres), managed wetlands or impoundments (2,600 acres), croplands (400 acres), and forested uplands/administrative lands (37 acres).

Popular recreation uses at Mattamuskeet NWR include hunting, sport fishing, and wildlife observation and photography. Quota hunting for white-tailed deer and waterfowl is allowed on portions of the refuge. The Service selects hunters through a random drawing of applicants for deer and resident goose hunting. The State of North Carolina receives application requests for waterfowl hunting on the refuge through their special hunts program. Hunting for white-tailed deer and resident Canada geese is primarily conducted to control population levels.

Mattamuskeet NWR receives 18,000 anglers annually. Most people fish along canal banks, bridges, or the Highway 94 Causeway. Boaters mostly use the lake in the spring and fall when water depths in the shallow lake are generally the highest. Boat fishermen generally seek largemouth and striped bass, while bank fishermen mostly seek catfish, white perch, and crappie. Crappie fishing is especially popular in the spring when spawning fish move into the deeper canals attached to the lake.

During the fall and winter, concentrations of Canada geese, tundra swans, and ducks of many species delight both wildlife observers and photographers. The formerly threatened bald eagle may also be observed during the fall, winter, and early spring. During the summer months, many species of songbirds and marsh birds are a common sight. Occasionally, broods of