Reclamation has identified the need for expedited action to reduce hydrologic, static, and seismic risks under its Safety of Dams (SOD) Program and security issues under its Security Program. These identified risks are among the highest risks for all dams in Reclamation’s inventory, and the Folsom Facility is among Reclamation’s highest priorities within its SOD Program. Both Reclamation and the Corps have conducted engineering studies to identify potential corrective measures for the Folsom Facility to alleviate seismic, static, and hydrologic dam safety issues and flood management concerns. These two Federal agencies have combined their efforts resulting in (1) a Joint Federal Project for addressing Reclamation’s dam safety hydrologic risk and the Corps’ flood damage reduction objectives and (2) other stand-alone flood damage reduction and dam safety actions to be completed by the respective agencies in a coordinated manner. The MIAD Modification Project Final Supplemental EIS/EIR discusses the project background, purpose and need, project description, and proposed action. Responses to all comments received from interested organizations and individuals on the Draft Supplemental EIS/EIR during the public review period and at the public meetings are addressed in the Final Supplemental EIS/EIR.

The Final Supplemental EIS/EIR addresses the impacts of project construction on aquatic resources, terrestrial vegetation and wildlife, hydrology, water quality, flood control, groundwater, water supply, socioeconomics, cultural resources, soils, minerals, geological resources, visual resources, transportation and circulation, land use, planning and zoning, recreation resources, public services and utilities, air quality, public health and safety, growth inducement, noise, environmental justice, and Indian trust assets. There is the potential for significant impacts to air quality, recreation resources, and visual resources.

The MIAD Modification Project proposed action considered by the lead agencies is the alternative that includes:

- Cellular open excavation as the preferred method to excavate and replace the downstream MIAD foundation to reduce seismic (earthquake) risks associated with the downstream foundation. Placement of an overlay on the downstream foundation of MIAD to address seismic (earthquake) risks associated with the upstream foundation and installation of filters and drains to reduce static (seepage and piping) risks.
- Creation of up to 80 acres of riparian habitat mitigation and 5 acres of seasonal wetland mitigation at Mississippi Bar.

Copies of the MIAD Modification Project Final Supplemental EIS/EIR are available for public review at the following locations:

- Bureau of Reclamation, Denver Office Library, Building 67, Room 167, Denver Federal Center, 6th and Kipling, Denver, CO 80225.
- El Dorado County Library, 345 Fair Lane, Placerville, CA 95667–5699.
- Folsom Public Library, 411 Stafford Street, Folsom, CA 95630.
- Roseville Public Library, 311 Vernon Street, Roseville, CA 95678.
- Sacramento Central Library, 828 I Street, Sacramento, CA 95814–2389.

Public Disclosure

Before including your name, 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.


Pablo R. Arroyave,
Deputy Regional Director, Mid-Pacific Region.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
Minerals Management Service
Notice on Outer Continental Shelf Oil and Gas Lease Sales

AGENCY: Minerals Management Service, Interior.

ACTION: List of Restricted Joint Bidders.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to the authority vested in the Director of the Minerals Management Service by the joint bidding provisions of 30 CFR 256.41, each entity within one of the following groups shall be restricted from bidding with any entity in any other of the following groups at Outer Continental Shelf oil and gas lease sales to be held during the bidding period May 1, 2010, through October 31, 2010. The List of Restricted Joint Bidders published in the Federal Register on November 23, 2009, covered the period November 1, 2009, through April 30, 2010.

- Exxon Mobil Corporation, ExxonMobil Exploration Company.
- Shell Oil Company, Shell Offshore Inc., SWEP I, Shell Frontier Oil & Gas Inc., Shell Onshore Ventures Inc., SOI Finance Inc., Shell Rocky Mountain Production LLC, Shell Gulf of Mexico Inc.
- Chevron Corporation, Chevron U.S.A. Inc., Chevron Midcontinent, L.P., Unocal Corporation, Union Oil Company of California, Pure Partners, L.P.
- Petrobras America Inc., Petroleo Brasileiro S.A.
- StatoilHydro ASA, Statoil Gulf of Mexico LLC, StatoilHydro USA E&P, Inc., StatoilHydro Gulf Properties Inc.

Dated: April 12, 2010.
S. Elizabeth Birnbaum,
Director, Minerals Management Service.
endangered species. With some exceptions, the Endangered Species Act (Act) prohibits activities with endangered and threatened species unless a Federal permit allows such activity. The Act requires that we invite public comment before issuing these permits.

DATES: We must receive any written comments on or before June 7, 2010.

ADDRESSES: Send written comments by U.S. mail to the Regional Director, Attn: Peter Fasbender, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Ecological Services, 1 Federal Drive, Port Snelling, MN 55111–4056; or by electronic mail to permitsR3ES@fws.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Peter Fasbender, (612) 713–5343.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

We invite public comment on the following permit applications for certain activities with endangered species authorized by section 10(a)(1)(A) of the Act (16 U.S.C. 1531 et seq.) and our regulations governing the taking of endangered species in the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) at 50 CFR part 17. Submit your written data, comments, or request for a copy of the complete application to the address shown in ADDRESSES.

Permit Applications

Permit Application Number: TE09357A.
Applicant: Ecological Specialties LLC, Symsonia, Kentucky.

The applicant requests a permit renewal/amendment to take (capture, radio-tag, and release) Indiana bats (Myotis sodalis), gray bats (Myotis grisescens), Ozark big-eared bats (Corynorhinus townsendii ingens), Virginia big-eared bats (Corynorhinus townsendii virginianus), Mexican long-nosed bats (Leptonycteris nivalis), and Sanborn’s long-nosed bats (Leptonycteris sanborni (=verbaukenae)) throughout the States of Arkansas, Alabama, California, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, New Jersey, New Mexico, New York, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Tennessee, Texas, Virginia, and West Virginia to document presence/absence and distribution of the species and to conduct habitat use assessments. Proposed activities are aimed at enhancement of survival of the species in the wild.

Permit Application Number: TE010887A.

The applicant requests a permit to take (capture, rear and release) Karner blue butterflies (Lycaeides melissa samuelis) throughout the range of the species in New York, Indiana, Michigan, and Wisconsin. Proposed activities involve capture of adult butterflies for captive rearing, experimental treatments on captive-reared larvae, and nonlethal tissue sampling in the wild. Population studies are designed to answer questions posed in the Karner blue butterfly recovery plan and are aimed at enhancement of survival of the species in the wild.

Permit Application Number: TE10891A.
Applicant: Illinois State Museum, Department of Natural Resources, Springfield, Illinois.

The applicant requests a permit renewal to take (capture and release, collect) Hine’s emerald dragonfly (Somatochlora hineana) throughout the range of the species in the States of Alabama, Arkansas, Connecticut, Delaware, District of Columbia, Georgia, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kentucky, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, North Carolina, Ohio, Oklahoma, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, South Carolina, Tennessee, Vermont, Virginia, West Virginia, and Wisconsin. Proposed activities are for the recovery and enhancement of survival of the species in the wild.

Permit Application Number: TE212427.

The applicant requests an amendment to permit number TE212427 for the Indiana bat, Ozark big-eared bat, and gray bat. The applicant’s request includes addition of qualified personnel and use of the states of Iowa, Michigan, and Pennsylvania to their area of jurisdiction for conducting survey and assessment work. Activities are for the enhancement of survival of the species in the wild.

Permit Application Number: TE11035A.
Applicant: Robert J. Vande Kopple, University of Michigan, Pellston, Michigan.

The applicant requests a permit renewal to take (capture and release, collect) Hungerford’s crawling water beetle (Brychius hungerfordi) throughout the States of Michigan and Wisconsin. Proposed activities include surveys to document presence of the species, habitat use, and scientific study related to recovery and enhancement of the survival of the species in the wild.

Public Comments

We seek public review and comments on these permit applications. Please refer to the permit number when you submit comments. Comments and materials we receive are available for public inspection, by appointment, during normal business hours at the address shown in the ADDRESSES section. 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 we can ask you in your comment to withhold your personal identifying information from public review, we cannot guarantee that we will be able to do so.

National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA)

In compliance with NEPA (42 U.S.C. 4321 et seq.), we have made an initial determination that the proposed activities in these permits are categorically excluded from the requirement to prepare an environmental assessment or environmental impact statement (516 DM 6 Appendix 1. 14C(1)).


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Assistant Regional Director, Ecological Services, Region 3.

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INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION

[Investigation No. 332–352]

Andean Trade Preference Act: Impact on the U.S. Economy and on Andean Drug Crop Eradication


ACTION: Notice of public hearing and opportunity to submit comments in connection with the 14th report on the Andean Trade Preference Act (ATPA).

SUMMARY: Section 206 of the ATPA (19 U.S.C. 3204) requires the Commission to report biennially to the Congress by September 30 of each reporting year on the economic impact of the Act on U.S. industries and U.S. consumers, as well as on the effectiveness of the Act in promoting drug related crop eradication and crop substitution efforts by beneficiary countries. The Commission prepares these reports under investigation No. 332–352, Andean