SUMMARY: In accordance with the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA), as amended, 5 U.S.C. App. 2, and with the concurrence of the General Services Administration, the Department of the Interior is announcing the establishment of the Ocean Energy Safety Advisory Committee (Committee). The purpose of the Committee is to provide advice on matters and actions relating to offshore energy safety, including, but not limited to drilling and workplace safety, well intervention and containment, and oil spill response. The Committee will also facilitate collaborative research and development, training and execution in these and other areas relating to offshore energy safety.

The Department of the Interior is seeking nominations for individuals to be considered as Committee members.

DATES: Written nominations must be received by February 23, 2011.

ADDRESSES: Send nominations to: Lindsay Dubin, Special Assistant to the Director, Bureau of Ocean Energy Management, Regulation and Enforcement, 1849 C Street, NW., Mailstop 5438, Washington, DC 20240; Lindsay.Dubin@boemre.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Lindsay Dubin, Special Assistant to the Director, Bureau of Ocean Energy Management, Regulation and Enforcement, 1849 C Street, NW., Mailstop 5438, Washington, DC 20240; Lindsay.Dubin@boemre.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Offshore Energy Safety Advisory Committee is being established in connection with the responsibilities of the Department of the Interior under the Outer Continental Shelf Lands Act, as amended, 43 U.S.C. 1331 et seq. The Secretary of the Interior certifies that the formation of the Committee is necessary and is in the public interest.

The Committee will conduct its operations in accordance with the provisions of the FACA. It will report to the Secretary of the Interior through the Director of the Bureau of Ocean Energy Management, Regulation and Enforcement (BOEMRE), or the Designated Federal Officer (DFO). BOEMRE will provide administrative and logistical support to the Committee.

The purpose of the Committee is to provide advice on matters and actions relating to offshore energy safety, including, but not limited to drilling and workplace safety, well intervention and containment, and oil spill response, and to facilitate collaborative research and development, training and execution in these and other areas relating to offshore energy safety.

Members of the Committee will include representatives from the offshore energy industry; the academic community; non-governmental organizations; and the Federal Government, including BOEMRE, the Department of Energy, the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, and the United States Coast Guard.

The Committee will meet approximately five times annually, and at such times as designated by the DFO. The Secretary of the Interior will appoint members to the Committee, with input and recommendations from the above-referenced Federal agencies, the offshore energy industry, the academic community and other stakeholders.

Certification Statement: I hereby certify that the establishment of the Ocean Energy Safety Advisory Committee is necessary and is in the public interest in connection with the performance of duties imposed on the Department of the Interior under the Outer Continental Shelf Lands Act, as amended, 43 U.S.C. 1331 et seq.

Dated: January 19, 2011.

Ken Salazar, Secretary of the Interior.

Bureau of Ocean Energy Management, Regulation and Enforcement

Notice on Outer Continental Shelf Oil and Gas Lease Sales


ACTION: List of restricted joint bidders.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to the authority vested in the Director of the Bureau of Ocean Energy Management, Regulation and Enforcement 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 November 1, 2010, through April 30, 2011. The List of Restricted Joint Bidders published in the Federal Register on May 3, 2010, covered the period May 1, 2010, through October 31, 2010.

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Dated: January 3, 2011.

Michael R. Bromwich, Director, Bureau of Ocean Energy Management, Regulation and Enforcement.

Fish and Wildlife Service

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Fish and Wildlife Service

LAKE WALES RIDGE NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE, HIGHLANDS AND POLK COUNTIES, FL: FINAL COMPREHENSIVE CONSERVATION PLAN AND FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT FOR ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT

AGENCY: Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of availability.
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 the environmental assessment for Lake Wales Ridge National Wildlife Refuge (NWR). In the final CCP, we describe how we will manage this refuge for the next 15 years.

ADDRESS: You may obtain a copy of the CCP by writing to: Mr. Charles Pelizza, Refuge Manager, 1339 20th Street, Vero Beach, FL 32960–3559, or by e-mail to: PelicanIsland@fws.gov. The CCP may also be accessed and downloaded from the Service’s Web site: http://southeast.fws.gov/planning/ under “Final Documents.”

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Charles Pelizza; telephone: 772/562–3909, extension 244; e-mail: PelicanIsland@fws.gov; or Mr. Bill Miller; telephone: 561/715–0023; e-mail: LakeWalesRidgeCCP@fws.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Introduction

With this notice, we finalize the CCP process for Lake Wales Ridge NWR. We started this process through a notice in the Federal Register on June 20, 2008 (73 FR 35149).

Lake Wales Ridge NWR is a unit of the Merritt Island National Wildlife Refuge Complex and is administered by and co-managed with Pelican Island and Archie Carr National Wildlife Refuges, colloquially termed the Pelican Island National Wildlife Refuge Complex.

Lake Wales Ridge NWR is one of the first of its kind in the National Wildlife Refuge System to target community-level conservation—specifically scrub habitat—a unique vegetation type largely restricted to the central Florida ridge systems occurring on the remnants of ancient beach and sand dune systems from Ocala National Forest to southern Highlands County, Florida.

The refuge consists of 1,842.4 acres in fee title across four management units within a 12-unit approved acquisition boundary. These four units are as follows: Flamingo Villas (1,037.6 acres), Carter Creek (627.5 acres), Lake McLeod (38 acres), and Snell Creek (139.3 acres). The refuge contains prime examples of several highly imperiled ecosystems, including Florida scrub and sandhill, as well as over half of the Federally listed plant species endemic to the Lake Wales Ridge. The refuge protects 17 Federally listed plants, 40 endemic plants, 6 listed animals, and 1 candidate species, and more than 40 endemic invertebrates. Because of the potential for impacts to these plants and animals, the refuge has not been opened to the public.

Each of the four units comprising the refuge has its own particular merits and value. Ten Federally listed plants, including the only protected population of the Federally listed endangered Garrett’s mint, and five Federally listed animals are known to exist on the refuge’s Flamingo Villas Unit, including the threatened Florida scrub-jay. The Carter Creek Unit is an excellent example of endemic-rich Lake Wales Ridge sandhill, where 13 Federally listed plants exist, including an introduced population of the Florida ziziphus, once thought to be extinct. It is one of only a dozen populations known and one of the rarest and most endangered plants in the State. Eight Federally listed plants and two Federally listed animals occur on the small, 36-acre Lake McLeod Unit, one of but two protected sites where the endangered scrub lupine occurs. The Snell Creek Unit contains the vast majority of the refuge’s sand pine scrub habitat where rare, threatened, and endangered species are known to occur, including the endangered sand skink.

The refuge exists as part of a network of reserves which include lands managed by the U.S. Avon Park Air Force Range, State of Florida, The Nature Conservancy, Archbold Biological Station, and Polk and Highland Counties, with similar purposes to protect and manage what remains of this unique ecosystem.

We announce our decision and the availability of the final CCP and FONSI for Lake Wales Ridge NWR in accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) (40 CFR 1506.6(b)) requirements. We completed a thorough analysis of impacts on the human environment, which we included in the Draft Comprehensive Conservation Plan and Environmental Assessment for Lake Wales Ridge NWR. The CCP will guide us in managing and administering Lake Wales Ridge NWR for the next 15 years.

Compatibility determinations are available in the CCP and include Research, Wildlife Observation and Photography, and Environmental Education and Interpretation.

Background

The National Wildlife Refuge System Administration Act of 1966 (16 U.S.C. 668dd–668ee) (Administration Act), as amended by the National Wildlife Refuge System Improvement Act of 1997, requires us to develop a CCP for each national wildlife refuge. The purpose for developing a CCP is to provide refuge managers with a 15-year plan for achieving refuge purposes and contributing toward the mission of the National Wildlife Refuge System, consistent with sound principles of fish and wildlife management, conservation, legal mandates, and our policies. In addition to outlining broad management direction on conserving wildlife and their habitats, CCPs identify wildlife-dependent recreational opportunities available to the public, including opportunities for hunting, fishing, wildlife observation, wildlife photography, and environmental education and interpretation. We will review and update the CCP at least every 15 years in accordance with the Administration Act.

Comments

We made copies of the Draft CCP/EA available for a 30-day public review and comment period via a Federal Register notice on April 30, 2010 (75 FR 22832). We received comments from local citizens and organizations.

Selected Alternative

After considering the comments we received, and based on the professional judgment of the planning team, we selected Alternative B for implementation.

The primary focus under Alternative B is management for rare, threatened, and endangered species. Implementing Alternative B is expected to result in restoring, improving, and maintaining habitat conditions for the many and varied rare, threatened, and endangered species found on the refuge. Increased information on a variety of species, suites of species, and habitats will enhance our decision-making. Further benefits will be realized from increased control of exotic, invasive, and nuisance species, and implementation of a prescribed fire program to target restoration of habitats pre-fire exclusion conditions in support of rare, threatened, and endangered species. We will coordinate with partners to address challenges related to the impacts of landscape-level ecosystem stresses, including climate change and habitat conversion. We will increase our science and management capacities. We will enhance resource protection through focused and innovative land acquisition strategies and provide boundary protection from illicit uses. To achieve this, we will work with governmental and non-governmental partners, area communities, and local businesses, in addition to pursuing additional staff to address management components.

Alternative B is considered to be the most effective for meeting the purposes.
of the refuge. It addresses priority issues such as: (1) Declines in and threats to rare, threatened, and endangered species; (2) lack of baseline information on resources; (3) lack of an effective approach to apply fire management and measure fire effects; (4) existence, persistence, and spread of exotic, invasive, and nuisance species; (5) management challenges resulting from fragmented conservation lands under multiple jurisdictions; (6) inability to complete acquisition within the refuge’s approved acquisition boundary; (7) threats and impacts of an increasing human population; (8) lack of on-site staff and resources to address needs; and (9) lack of understanding on the effects of global climate change on resources.

Authority

This notice is published under the authority of the National Wildlife Refuge System Improvement Act of 1997, Public Law 105–57.


Mark J. Musaus,
Acting Regional Director.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

National Park Service

Flight 93 National Memorial Advisory Commission

AGENCY: National Park Service, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of February 5, 2011, Meeting.

SUMMARY: This notice sets forth the date of the February 5, 2011, meeting of the Flight 93 Advisory Commission.

DATES: The public meeting of the Advisory Commission will be held on Saturday, February 5, 2011, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. (Eastern). The Commission will meet jointly with the Flight 93 Memorial Task Force.

Location: The meeting will be held via teleconference at the Flight 93 National Memorial office, 109 West Main Street, Suite 104, Somerset, PA 15501.

AGENDA

The February 5, 2011, joint Commission and Task Force meeting will consist of:

1. Opening of Meeting and Pledge of Allegiance.
3. Reports from the Flight 93 Memorial Task Force and National Park Service.
4. Old Business.
5. New Business.
6. Public Comments.
7. Closing Remarks.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:
Joanne M. Hanley, Superintendent, Flight 93 National Memorial, 109 West Main Street, Somerset, PA 15501. 814.443.4557.

SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION: The meeting will be open to the public. Any member of the public may file with the Commission a written statement concerning agenda items. Address all statements to: Flight 93 Advisory Commission, 109 West Main Street, Somerset, PA 15501. 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.


Joanne M. Hanley,
Superintendent, Flight 93 National Memorial.

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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Office of the Secretary

Agency Information Collection Activities; Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request; Application for Alien Employment Certification

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Department of Labor (DOL) hereby announces the submission of the information collection request (ICR) sponsored by the Employment and Training Administration (ETA) titled, “Application for Alien Employment Certification,” to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval for continued use in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (Pub. L. 104–13, 44 U.S.C. chapter 35).

DATES: Submit comments on or before February 23, 2011.

ADDRESSES: A copy of this ICR, with applicable supporting documentation; including a description of the likely respondents, proposed frequency of response, and estimated total burden may be obtained from the RegInfo.gov Web site, http://www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAPublication.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Contact Michel Smyth by telephone at 202–693–4129 (this is not a toll-free number) or sending an e-mail to DOL_PRA_PUBLIC@dol.gov.

Submit comments on this request to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Attn: OMB Desk Officer for the Department of Labor, Employment and Training Administration (ETA), Office of Management and Budget, Room 10235, Washington, DC 20503, Telephone: 202–395–6929/Fax: 202–395–6881 (these are not toll-free numbers), e-mail: OIRA_submission@omb.eop.gov.

SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION: This information collection permits the DOL to meet its statutory responsibilities for program administration, management, and oversight under the Immigration and Naturalization Act. Form ETA 750 part A collects information needed for the professional athlete labor certification program for both temporary and permanent athletes. The H–2B program establishes a means for employers to bring nonimmigrant aliens to the U.S. to perform nonagricultural work of a temporary or seasonal nature as defined at 8 U.S.C. 1101(a)(15)(H)(ii)(b) and explained in regulations section 8 CFR 214.2(h)(6).

Professional athletes are included in the H–2B program. Form ETA 750 part B collects information about the professional athlete on whose behalf an application for permanent labor certification is filed. Part B also requires that the DHS for aliens applying for the National Interest Waiver (NIW) of the job offer requirement. Part B provides detailed information about an alien’s education and work history, as required and explained in regulations section 8 CFR 204.5(k)(4)(ii).

Under the PRA, a Federal agency generally cannot conduct or sponsor a collection of information unless it is currently approved by the OMB under the PRA and displays a currently valid OMB control number. Furthermore, the public is generally not required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number. In addition, notwithstanding any other provisions of law, no person shall generally be subject to penalty for failing to comply with a