species within Barren, Edmonson and Hart Counties, Kentucky.

Applicant: Christopher Hintz, PhD.,
Savannah State University, Savannah,
Georgia, TE–40005A.

Applicant requests authorization to
take by the use of ground penetrating
radar, nests of loggerhead sea turtle
(Caretta caretta), green sea turtle
(Chelonia mydas) and leatherback sea
turtle (Dermochelys coriacea) for the
purpose of studying nesting success. 
This work will be conducted throughout
the Atlantic coastline of Georgia.

Applicant: Dr. David Nelson, University
of South Alabama, Mobile, Alabama,
TE–40523A.

Applicant requests authorization to
take (trap, take tissue samples) the
Alabama red-bellied turtle (Pseudemys
alabamensis). This study will be
conducted in the Blakeley River
drainage in Alabama.

Applicant: Dr. Thomas Risch, Arkansas
State University, Jonesboro Arkansas,
TE–75913.

Applicant requests renewal of
authorization to take (capture and
release) Indiana bats, Ozark big-eared
bats (Corynorhinus townsendii ingens),
and gray bats for the purpose of
directing presence/absence surveys,
population monitoring, and ecological
studies. This work will be conducted
throughout Arkansas.

Applicant: Stuart McGregor, Geologic
Survey of Alabama, Tuscaloosa
Alabama, TE–41252A.

Applicant requests authorization to
conduct presence/absence surveys
throughout Alabama for 39 listed
mussel species.

Applicant: Eglin Air Force Base,
Niceville Florida, TE–42183A.

The applicant requests authorization for
trapping, banding, translocating and
installing artificial nesting cavities for
red-cockaded woodpeckers on Eglin Air
Force Base, Niceville Florida.

Applicant: David Saugy, Jessievile,
Arkansas, TE–43704A.

Applicant requests authorization for
non-lethal take of Indiana bats, gray
bats, Virginia big-eared bats
(Corynorhinus townsendii virginianus)
and Ozark big-eared bats for the purpose of
collecting presence/absence data on
roost sites. This work will be conducted
throughout the range of these species.

Applicant: Department of Natural and
Environmental Resources, Cukepy,
Puerto Rico, TE–125521.

Applicant requests a permit
amendment to house Puerto Rican
parrots (Amazona vittata) at the Puerto
Rico Zoo in Mayaguez, Puerto Rico.

Dated: June 16, 2011.

Mark J. Musaus,
Acting Regional Director.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
Fish and Wildlife Service

FWS–R1–ES–2011–N027; 10120–1112–0000–F2

Endangered and Threatened Wildlife
and Plants; Draft Habitat Conservation
Plan and Environmental Assessment
for Construction and Operations at
Kuai Lagoons Resort and Golf Course
on Kauai, HI

AGENCY: Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of availability; receipt of
permit application.

SUMMARY: We, the U.S. Fish and
Wildlife Service (Service), have received
an application from Kauai Lagoons LLC
(KL) (applicant) for an incidental take
permit (ITP) under the Endangered
The applicant is requesting a 30-year
ITP to authorize take of eight bird
species—six endangered, one
threatened, and one candidate for
listing. The ITP application includes a
draft habitat conservation plan (HCP)
that describes the actions and measures
the applicant will implement to
minimize, mitigate, and monitor
incidental take of the covered species.
The ITP application also includes a
draft implementing agreement (IA). The
Service also announces the availability
of a draft Environmental Assessment
(EA) that has been prepared in response
to the permit application in accordance
with the requirements of the National
Environmental Policy Act (NEPA). The
Service is making the permit application
materials and draft EA available for
public review and comment.

DATES: All comments from interested
parties must be received on or before
August 26, 2011.

ADDRESSES: Please address written
comments to Loyal Mehrhoff, Project
Leader, Pacific Islands Fish and Wildlife
Office, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service,
300 Ala Moana Boulevard, Room 3–122,
Honolulu, HI 96815. You may also send
comments by facsimile to (808) 792–9581.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:
Michelle Bogardus, Fish and Wildlife
Biologist, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service
(see ADDRESSES above); telephone (808)
792–9400.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The
applicant is requesting a 30-year ITP to
authorize take of six bird species that
are federally listed as endangered: the
Hawaiian goose (Branta sandvicensis),
Hawaiian moorhen (Gallinula chloropus
sandvicensis), Hawaiian coot (Fulica
alai), Hawaiian duck (Anas wyvilliana),
Hawaiian stil (Himantopus mexicanus
knudseni), and the Hawaiian petrel
(Pterodroma sandwichensis). The
requested ITP would also cover
Newell’s shearwater (Puffinus
auricularis newelli), which is federally
listed as threatened, and the hand-
rumped storm petrel (Oceanodroma
castro), a candidate for listing under the
ESA.

KL is also applying for an incidental
take license (ITL) from the Hawaii
Department of Land and Natural
Resources (DLNR) to comply with State
endangered species laws.

Availability of Documents
You may request copies of the draft
HCP, IA, and EA by contacting the
Service’s Pacific Islands Fish and
Wildlife Office (see FOR FURTHER
INFORMATION CONTACT above). These
documents are also available
electronically for review on the
Service’s Pacific Islands Fish and
Wildlife Office Web site at http://
www.fws.gov/pacifcilands. Comments
the Service receives, as well as
supporting documentation used in
preparing the final NEPA document,
will become part of the public record
and will be available for public
inspection by appointment during
regular business hours. Before including
your address, phone number, email
address, or other personal identifying
information in your comment, you
should be aware that your entire
comment—including your personal
information—may be made publicly
available at any time. While you can ask
in your comment to withhold your
personal identifying information from
public review, this cannot be
guaranteed.

The Service specifically requests
information from the public on whether
the application meets the statutory and
regulatory requirements for issuing a
permit, and identification of any aspects
of the human environment that should
be analyzed in the EA. The Service is
soliciting information regarding the
adequacy of the HCP to minimize,
mitigate, and monitor the proposed
incidental take of the covered species
and to provide for adaptive
management, as evaluated against our
permit issuance criteria found in section
10(a) of the ESA, 16 U.S.C. 1539(a), and
50 CFR 13.21, 17.22, and 17.32. In
The Hawaiian goose and the other
waterbirds are at risk of injury and
mortality due to golfing activities
(collisions with golf carts and golf
halls) and course operations, and the future
construction activities at KL. Hawaiian
goose and Hawaiian coots have been
documented to be hurt or killed from
golf course operations. Construction
activities, such as site clearing, mass
grading, or building construction, also
pose a threat to the Hawaiian goose and
the other waterbirds.

The KL property is adjacent to Lihue
International Airport on the island of
Kauai. Hawaiian geese have been onsite
residents of KL since the late 1990s. In
the ensuing 10 years since the geese
came established, the nesting activity
on the property has increased from 5
nests in 1999 to 66 nests in 2009,
practically due to predator
management and the presence of created
water features. The close proximity of
nesting and roosting Hawaiian geese
and waterbirds to the Lihue
International Airport poses a threat to
human safety because of the risk of bird
strikes to aircraft. In order to address
the potential safety issue, the Service and
Hawaii’s Division of Forestry and
Wildlife (DOFAW) have participated in
a multi-agency effort to safely
translocate some Hawaiian geese to
other suitable locations on Kauai.

Further efforts to reduce the population
growth of Hawaiian geese in the vicinity
of the Airport are ongoing, and the
Service is working with FAA to address
airport maintenance and operations
pursuant to section 7 of the ESA. The
Abercrombie signed a Proclamation
requiring the translocation of Hawaiian
goose from KL over the next five years.
The Proclamation suspends State laws
as necessary to expedite DOFAW’s effort
to move birds to suitable locations on
other islands.

The Hawaiian petrel, Newell’s
shearwater, and the band-rumped storm
petrel are seabird species that spend a
large part of the year at sea, forage in the
open ocean, and breed on Kauai.
Beginning in March and April, adults
initiate breeding at colonial nesting
grounds in the interior mountains of
Kauai. Fledglings (i.e., young birds
learning how to fly) travel from the
nesting colony to the sea in the fall
(mid-September to mid-December).
They are known to be attracted to
artificially lighted areas, which can
result in disorientation and subsequent
fallout (ceasing to be able to fly and
involuntarily descending) due to
exhaustion. Adult seabirds can collide
with towers, power lines, and other tall
structures while flying at night between
their nesting colonies and at-sea
foraging areas. To date, one Newell’s
shearwater has been found on KL
property.

Proposed Plan

The draft HCP describes the impacts
of take associated with KL’s activities,
and includes measures to minimize,
mitigate, and monitor the impacts of
incidental take on each of the covered
species. KL is proposing the following
mitigation measures: (1) On-site
cooperation with plans to translocate
Hawaiian geese to reduce the risk of
bird strikes by aircraft; (2) funding for
the development of a plan to address
translocation of geese off of KL; and (3)
continuation of ongoing monitoring
efforts and predator control. To reduce
the potential of collisions between
airplanes and birds, KL will not
purposely enhance the suitability of the
resort as a breeding habitat for the
Hawaiian goose. For unavoidable take
of listed seabirds, KL proposes to pay into
the Kauai Seabird Habitat Conservation
Plan (currently being developed by
DOFAW) so that funds can be used to
assist in the enhancement of known
seabird colonies through predator
management, habitat restoration and
monitoring. The HCP also includes
numerous avoidance and minimization
measures that will significantly limit the
take of the covered species due to resort
operations and construction.

The draft EA contains an analysis of
two alternatives: (1) Proposed Action
(issuance of a permit to KL on the basis
of the activities described in the
proposed HCP); and (2) No Action (no
permit issuance and no measures by the
applicant to reduce or eliminate the take
of covered species). The draft EA
considers the direct, indirect, and
cumulative effects of the alternatives,
including any measures under the
Proposed Action alternative intended to
minimize and mitigate such impacts.
The draft EA also identifies additional
alternatives that were considered but
not fully analyzed, as they did not meet
the purpose and need of the Proposed
Action.

The Service invites comments and
suggestions from all interested parties
on the draft documents associated with
the permit application, and requests that
comments be as specific as possible. In
particular, information and comments
regarding the following topics are
requested: (1) Whether the proposed
HCP sufficiently minimizes and
mitigates the impacts of take to the
covered species to the maximum extent
practicable over its 30-year term; (2)
additional adaptive management or
monitoring provisions that may be
incorporated into the Proposed Action
alternative, and their benefits to listed species; (3) the direct, indirect, or cumulative effects that implementation of either alternative could have on the human environment; (4) other plans or projects that might be relevant to this action; and (5) any other information pertinent to evaluating the effects of the proposed action on the human environment.

Authority

This notice is provided pursuant to section 10(c) (16 U.S.C. 1539(c)) of the ESA and NEPA regulations (40 CFR 1506.6). The public process for the proposed Federal permit action will be completed after the public comment period, at which time we will evaluate the permit application, the HCP and associated documents (including the EA), and comments submitted thereon to determine whether or not the proposed action meets the requirements of section 10(a) (16 U.S.C. 1539(a)) of the ESA and has been adequately evaluated under NEPA.

Dated: June 23, 2011.

Richard Hannan,
Deputy Regional Director, Region 1, Portland, Oregon.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Indian Affairs

Advisory Board for Exceptional Children

AGENCY: Bureau of Indian Affairs, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: The Bureau of Indian Education (BIE) is announcing that the Advisory Board for Exceptional Children (Advisory Board) will hold its next meeting in Tampa, Florida. The Advisory Board will hold its meeting in conjunction with the BIE Special Education Academy. The purpose of the meeting is to meet the mandates of the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act of 2004 (IDEA) for Indian children with disabilities.

DATES: The Advisory Board will meet on Sunday, September 11, 2011, from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. and Monday, September 12, 2011, from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Eastern Daylight Time.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at the Hyatt Regency Tampa, 211 North Tampa Street, Tampa, Florida 33602; telephone number (813) 225–1234. The Advisory Board will meet in the Garrison Suite.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Sue Bement, Designated Federal Official, Bureau of Indian Education, Albuquerque Service Center, Division of Performance and Accountability, 1011 Indian School Road NW., Suite 332, Albuquerque, NM 87104; telephone number (505) 563–5274.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: In accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act, the BIE is announcing that the Advisory Board will hold its next meeting in Tampa, Florida. The Advisory Board was established under the Individuals with Disabilities Act of 2004 (20 U.S.C. 1400 et seq.) to advise the Secretary of the Interior, through the Assistant Secretary—Indian Affairs, on the needs of Indian children with disabilities. The meetings are open to the public.

The following items will be on the agenda:

• Report from Gloria Yepa, Supervisory Education Specialist, BIE, Division of Performance and Accountability.
• Report from BIE Director’s Office.
• Report from Dr. Jeffrey Hamley, Associate Deputy Director, BIE.
• Priority Groups.
• Annual Report.
• Public Comment (via conference call, September 12, 2011, meeting only*).
• BIE Advisory Board-Advice and Recommendations:
  *During the September 12, 2011, meeting, time has been set aside for public comment via conference call from 11:30–12 p.m. Eastern Standard Time. The call-in information is: Conference Number 1–888–417–0376, Passcode 1509140.

Dated: July 6, 2011.

Larry Echo Hawk,
Assistant Secretary, Indian Affairs.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

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Alaska Native Claims Selection

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of Decision Approving Lands for Conveyance.

SUMMARY: As required by 43 CFR 2650.7(d), notice is hereby given that the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) will issue an appealable decision to the Nunakauk Yupik Corporation. The decision approves the surface estate in the lands described below for conveyance pursuant to the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act. These lands lie entirely within the Clarence Rhode National Wildlife Refuge established on December 6, 1960, and January 20, 1969. The subsurface estate will be reserved to the United States in the conveyance to the Nunakauk Yupik Corporation. The lands are in the vicinity of Toksook Bay, Alaska, and are described as:

Seward Meridian, Alaska
T. 4 N., R. 89 W., Sec. 18.

Containing approximately 80 acres.

Notice of the decision will also be published four times in the Tundra Drums.

DATES: Any party claiming a property interest in the lands affected by the decision may appeal the decision within the following time limits:

1. Unknown parties, parties unable to be located after reasonable efforts have been expended to locate, parties who fail or refuse to sign their return receipt, and parties who receive a copy of the decision by regular mail which is not certified, return receipt requested, shall have until August 10, 2011 to file an appeal.

2. Parties receiving service of the decision by certified mail shall have 30 days from the date of receipt to file an appeal.

3. Notices of appeal transmitted by electronic means, such as facsimile or e-mail, will not be accepted as timely filed.

Parties who do not file an appeal in accordance with the requirements of 43 CFR part 4, subpart E, shall be deemed to have waived their rights.

ADDRESSES: A copy of the decision may be obtained from: Bureau of Land Management, Alaska State Office, 222 West Seventh Avenue, #13, Anchorage, Alaska 99513–7504.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: The BLM by phone at 907–271–5960 or by e-mail at ak.blm.conveyance@blm.gov. Persons who use a Telecommunications Device for the Deaf (TDD) may call the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) at 1–800–877–8339 to contact the BLM during normal business hours. In addition, the FIRS is available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, to leave a message or question with the BLM. The BLM