DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services

Agency Information Collection Activities: Form I–589, Extension of a Currently Approved Information Collection; Comment Request


The Department of Homeland Security, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) will be submitting the following information collection request to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and clearance in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995. The information collection was previously published in the Federal Register on November 30, 2010, at 75 FR 74069, allowing for a 60-day public comment period. USCIS did not receive comments for this information collection.

The purpose of this notice is to allow an additional 30 days for public comments. Comments are encouraged and will be accepted until April 7, 2011. This process is conducted in accordance with 5 CFR 1320.10.

Written comments and/or suggestions regarding the item(s) contained in this notice, especially regarding the estimated public burden and associated response time, should be directed to the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), and to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) USCIS Desk Officer. Comments may be submitted to: USCIS, Chief, Regulatory Products Division, Office of the Executive Secretariat, 20 Massachusetts Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20529–2020. Comments may also be submitted to DHS via facsimile to 202–272–0997 or via e-mail at rfs_regs@dhs.gov, and to the OMB USCIS Desk Officer via facsimile at 202–395–8806 or via e-mail at oira_submission@omb.eop.gov. When submitting comments by e-mail, please make sure to add OMB Control Number 1615–0067 in the subject box.

Note: The address listed in this notice should only be used to submit comments concerning the extension of this information collection. Please do not submit requests for individual case status inquiries to this address. If you are seeking information about the status of your individual case, please check “My Case Status” online at: https://egov.uscis.gov/cris/Dashboard.do, or call the USCIS National Customer Service Center at 1–800–375–5283 (TTY 1–800–767–1833).

Written comments and suggestions from the public and affected agencies should address one or more of the following four points:

(1) Evaluate whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility;

(2) Evaluate the accuracy of the agencies’ estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;

(3) Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and

(4) Minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including through the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submission of responses.

Overview of This Information Collection

(1) Type of Information Collection: Extension of a currently approved information collection.

(2) Title of the Form/Collection: Application for Asylum and for Withholding of Removal.


(4) Affected public who will be asked or required to respond, as well as a brief abstract: Primary: Individuals or Households. Form I–589 is necessary to determine whether an alien applying for asylum and/or withholding of deportation in the United States is classified as a refugee, and is eligible to remain in the United States.

(5) An estimate of the total number of respondents and the amount of time estimated for an average respondent to respond: 63,138 responses at 12 hours per response.

(6) An estimate of the total public burden (in hours) associated with the collection: 757,656 annual burden hours. If you need a copy of the information collection instrument, please visit the Web site at: http://www.regulations.gov. We may also be contacted at: USCIS, Regulatory Products Division, Office of the Executive Secretariat, 20 Massachusetts Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20529–2020, telephone number 202–272–8377.

Dated: March 2, 2011.

Stephen Tarragon,

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Fish and Wildlife Service


Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plants; Receipt of Applications for Incidental Take Permits; Availability of Proposed Low-Effect Habitat Conservation Plan and Associated Documents; Indian River County, FL

AGENCY: Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of availability; request for comment/information.

SUMMARY: We, the Fish and Wildlife Service (Service), announce the availability of incidental take permit (ITP) applications and a Habitat Conservation Plan (HCP), Johns Island Club, Incorporated, and the Church of God by Faith (applicants) request ITPs under the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (Act). The applicants propose taking about 1.75 acres of Florida scrub-jay ( Aphelocoma coerulescens ) (scrub-jay) breeding, feeding, and sheltering habitat incidental to land preparation for the extension and paving of a road, the construction of a fellowship hall and storm water retention area, and the expansion and paving of a parking lot located in Indian River County, Florida (project). The permanent alteration of 1.75 acres is expected to result in the take of two families of scrub-jays. The applicants’ HCP describes the minimization and mitigation measures proposed to address the effects of the project on the scrub-jay.

DATES: Written comments on the ITP applications and HCP should be sent to the South Florida Ecological Services Office (see ADDRESSES) and should be received on or before April 7, 2011.

ADDRESSES: You may request documents by e-mail, U.S. mail, or fax (see below). These documents are also available for public inspection by appointment during normal business hours at the office below. Send your comments or
requests by any one of the following methods.
E-mail: Trish_Adams@fws.gov. Use “Attn.: Permit numbers TE35005A–0 and TE35007A–0” as your message subject line.
Fax: Trish Adams, (772) 562–4288.
Attn.: Permit numbers TE35005A–0 and TE35007A–0.
U.S. mail: Trish Adams, HCP Coordinator, South Florida Ecological Services Field Office, Attn: Permit numbers TE35005A–0 and TE35007A–0.

In-person drop-off: You may drop off information during regular business hours at the above office address.


SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: If you wish to submit comments or information, you may do so by any one of several methods. Please reference permit numbers TE35005A–0 and TE35007A–0 in such comments. You may mail comments to the Service’s South Florida Ecological Services Office (see ADDRESSES). You may also submit comments via e-mail to trish_adams@fws.gov. Please also include your name and return address in your e-mail message. If you do not receive a confirmation from us that we have received your e-mail message, contact us directly at the telephone number listed under FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT. Finally, you may hand deliver comments to the Service office listed under ADDRESSES.

Before including your address, phone number, e-mail address, or other personal identifying information in your comments, 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.

Applicants’ Proposed Project: We received applications from the applicants for incidental take permits, along with a proposed habitat conservation plan. The applicants both request 5-year permits under section 10(a)(1)(B) of the Act (87 Stat. 884; 16 U.S.C. 1531 et seq.). If we approve the permits, the applicants anticipate taking a total of approximately 1.75 acres (0.71 hectares) of scrub-jay breeding, feeding, and sheltering habitat incidental to land preparation for the extension and paving of a road, the construction of a fellowship hall and storm water retention area, and the expansion and paving of a parking lot and supporting infrastructure (project) in Indian River County, Florida.

Project construction would take place at latitude 27.7508, longitude —80.4451, Indian River County, Florida. The project includes Indian River County Parcels 3139280000700000001.0, 3139280000700000002.0, 3139280000700000003.0, and 31392800005000000023.0. These parcels are within scrub-jay–occupied habitat. The Service listed this species as threatened in 1987 (June 3, 1987; 52 FR 20715). The listing became effective July 6, 1987.

The applicants propose to mitigate the permanent alteration of occupied scrub-jay habitat by restoring, conserving, and managing a total of 3.81 acres (1.54 ha) of upland scrub in perpetuity. A separate endowment fund, in the amount of $4,572.00, will be established to ensure that the mitigation areas are properly managed in perpetuity.

Our Preliminary Determination: The Service has made a preliminary determination that the applicants’ project, including the proposed minimization and mitigation measures, will individually and cumulatively have a minor or negligible effect on the species covered in the HCP. Therefore, issuance of the ITPs is a “low-effect” action and qualifies as a categorical exclusion under the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) (40 CFR 1506.6), as provided by the Department of the Interior Manual (516 DM 2 Appendix 1 and 516 DM 6 Appendix 1), and as defined in our Habitat Conservation Planning Handbook (November 1996). We base our determination that issuance of the ITP’s qualifies as a low-effect action on the following three criteria: (1) Implementation of the project would result in minor or negligible effects on Federally listed, proposed, and candidate species and their habitats; (2) Implementation of the project would result in minor or negligible effects on other environmental values or resources; and (3) Impacts of the project, considered together with the impacts of other past, present, and reasonably foreseeable similarly situated projects, would not result, over time, in cumulative effects to environmental values or resources that would be considered significant. As more fully explained in our environmental action statement and Low Effect Screening Form, the applicants’ proposed project qualifies as a “low-effect” project. This preliminary determination may be revised based on our review of public comments that we receive in response to this notice.

Next Steps: The Service will evaluate the HCP and comments submitted thereon to determine whether the applications meet the requirements of section 10(a) of the Act. The Service will also evaluate whether issuance of the section 10(a)(1)(B) ITPs complies with section 7 of the Act by conducting an intra-Service section 7 consultation. The results of this consultation, in combination with the above findings, will be used in the final analysis to determine whether or not to issue the ITPs. If it is determined that the requirements of the Act are met, the ITPs will be issued for the incidental take of the Florida scrub-jay.

Authority: This notice is provided pursuant to Section 10 of the Endangered Species Act and NEPA regulations (40 CFR 1506.6).

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Field Supervisor, South Florida Ecological Services Office.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management
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Filing of Plats of Survey: Oregon/Washington

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The plats of survey of the following described lands are scheduled to be officially filed in the Bureau of Land Management Oregon/Washington State Office, Portland, Oregon, 30 days from the date of this publication.

Willamette Meridian

Oregon

T. 23 S., R. 8 W., accepted January 25, 2011
T. 22 S., R. 7 W., accepted January 25, 2011
T. 35 S., R. 5 W., accepted January 27, 2011
T. 34 S., R. 2 W., accepted February 10, 2011
T. 30 S., R. 3 W., accepted February 10, 2011
T. 21 S., R. 8 W., accepted February 22, 2011

Washington

T. 29 N., R. 36 E., accepted January 21, 2011

ADDRESSES: A copy of the plats may be obtained from the Land Office at the Bureau of Land Management, Oregon/Washington State Office, 333 SW. 1st Avenue, Portland, Oregon 97204, upon