exception was granted to the Wilmington Housing Authority for the purchase and installation of condensing tankless water heaters for the Southbridge project.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Donald J. LaVoy, Deputy Assistant Secretary for Office of Field Operations, Office of Public and Indian Housing, Department of Housing and Urban Development, 451 7th Street SW., Room 4112, Washington, DC, 20410–4000, telephone number 202–402–8500 (this is not a toll-free number); or Dominique G. Blom, Deputy Assistant Secretary for Public Housing Investments, Office of Public and Indian Housing, Department of Housing and Urban Development, 451 7th Street SW., Room 4130, Washington, DC, 20410–4000, telephone number 202–402–8500 (this is not a toll-free number). Persons with hearing- or speech-impairments may access this number through TTY by calling the toll-free Federal Information Relay Service at 800–877–8339.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Section 1605(a) of the Recovery Act provides that none of the funds appropriated or made available by the Recovery Act may be used for a project for the construction, alteration, maintenance, or repair of a public building or public work unless all of the iron, steel, and manufactured goods used in the project are produced in the United States. Section 1605(b) provides that the Buy American requirement shall not apply in any case or category in which the head of a Federal department or agency finds that: (1) Applying the Buy American requirement would be inconsistent with the public interest; (2) iron, steel, and the relevant manufactured goods are not produced in the U.S. in sufficient and reasonably available quantities or of satisfactory quality, or (3) inclusion of iron, steel, and manufactured goods will increase the cost of the overall project by more than 25 percent. Section 1605(c) provides that if the head of a Federal department or agency makes a determination pursuant to section 1605(b), the head of the department or agency shall publish a detailed written justification in the Federal Register.

In accordance with section 1605(c) of the Recovery Act and OMB’s implementing guidance published on April 23, 2009 (74 FR 18449), this notice advises the public that, on March 12, 2012, upon request of the Wilmington Housing Authority, HUD granted an exception to applicability of the Buy American requirements with respect to work, using CFRFC grant funds, in connection with the Southbridge project. The exception was granted by HUD on the basis that the relevant manufactured goods (condensing tankless water heaters) are not produced in the U.S. in sufficient and reasonably available quantities or of satisfactory quality.


Deborah Hernandez, General Deputy Assistant Secretary for Public and Indian Housing.

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DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

[Docket No. FR–5601–N–14]

Federal Property Suitable as Facilities To Assist the Homeless

AGENCY: Office of the Assistant Secretary for Community Planning and Development, HUD.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Steward B. McKinney Homeless Assistance Act, as amended, HUD publishes a weekly Federal Register notice listing unutilized, underutilized, excess, and surplus Federal property reviewed by HUD for suitability for use to assist the homeless. HUD generally publishes this weekly report each Friday. Today’s notice announces that because of the size of HUD’s next report, the Office of the Federal Register has informed HUD that it cannot accommodate HUD’s request to schedule publication of the report on Friday, April 6, 2012. As a result, today’s notice announces that HUD’s next report listing unutilized, underutilized, excess, and surplus Federal property will be published in the Federal Register on April 20, 2012.


Mark R. Johnston, Deputy Assistant Secretary for Special Needs.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Fish and Wildlife Service


Endangered Species; Receipt of Applications for Permits

AGENCY: Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of receipt of applications for permit.

SUMMARY: We, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, invite the public to comment on the following applications to conduct certain activities with endangered species. With some exceptions, the Endangered Species Act (ESA) prohibits activities with listed species unless Federal authorization is acquired that allows such activities.

DATES: We must receive comments or requests for documents on or before May 7, 2012.

ADDRESSES: Lisa Lierheimer, Division of Management Authority, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, 4401 North Fairfax Drive, Room 212, Arlington, VA 22203; fax (703) 358–2280; or email DMAFR@fws.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Lisa Lierheimer, (703) 358–2104 (telephone); (703) 358–2280 (fax); DMAFR@fws.gov (email).
SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:
I. Public Comment Procedures

A. How do I request copies of applications or comment on submitted applications?

Send your request for copies of applications or comments and materials concerning any of the applications to the contact listed under ADDRESSES. Please include the Federal Register notice publication date, the PRT-number, and the name of the applicant in your request or submission. We will not consider requests or comments sent to an email or address not listed under ADDRESSES. If you provide an email address in your request for copies of applications, we will attempt to respond to your request electronically.

Please make your requests or comments as specific as possible. Please confine your comments to issues for which we seek comments in this notice, and explain the basis for your comments. Include sufficient information with your comments to allow us to authenticate any scientific or commercial data you include.

The comments and recommendations that will be most useful and likely to influence agency decisions are: (1) Those supported by quantitative information or studies; and (2) Those that include citations to, and analyses of, the applicable laws and regulations. We will not consider or include in our administrative record comments we receive after the close of the comment period (see DATES) or comments delivered to an address other than those listed above (see ADDRESSES).

B. May I review comments submitted by others?

Comments, including names and street addresses of respondents, will be available for public review at the address listed under ADDRESSES. The public may review documents and other information applicants have sent in support of the application unless our allowing viewing would violate the Privacy Act or Freedom of Information Act. 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 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.

II. Background

To help us carry out our conservation responsibilities for affected species, and in consideration of section 10(a)(1)(A) of the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1531 et seq.), along with Executive Order 13576, “Delivering an Efficient, Effective, and Accountable Government,” and the President’s Memorandum for the Heads of Executive Departments and Agencies of January 21, 2009—Transparency and Open Government (74 FR 4685; January 26, 2009), which call on all Federal agencies to promote openness and transparency in Government by disclosing information to the public, we invite public comment on these permit applications before final action is taken.

III. Permit Applications

Endangered Species

Applicant: Friedel Ranch, Copperas Cove, TX; PRT—69093A

The applicant requests a captive-bred wildlife registration under 50 CFR 17.21(g) for the Galapagos tortoise (Chelonoidis nigra), radiated tortoise (Astrochelys radiata), Asian wild ass (Equus hemionus), barasingha (Rucervus duvaucelii), Eld’s deer (Rucervus eldii), Arabian oryx (Oryx leucoryx), scimitar-horned oryx (Oryx dammah), addax (Addax nasomaculatus), dama gazelle (Nanger dama), bontebok (damaliscus pygargus pygargus), and seladang (Bos gaurus), to enhance their propagation or survival. This notification covers activities to be conducted by the applicant over a 5-year period.

Applicant: Preserve II POA, Rocksprings, TX; PRT—65826A

The applicant requests a permit authorizing interstate and foreign commerce, export, and cull of excess scimitar-horned oryx (Oryx dammah), from the captive herd maintained at their facility, for the purpose of enhancement of the survival of the species. This notification covers activities to be conducted by the applicant over a 5-year period.

Applicant: Preserve II POA, Rocksprings, TX; PRT—69574A

The applicant requests a captive-bred wildlife registration under 50 CFR 17.21(g) for the scimitar-horned oryx (Oryx dammah), to enhance their propagation or survival. This notification covers activities to be conducted by the applicant over a 5-year period.

Applicant: Six Flags Discovery Kingdom, Vallejo, CA; PRT—676508

The applicant requests renewal and amendment of their captive-bred wildlife registration under 50 CFR 17.21(g) for the following species, to enhance their propagation or survival. This notification covers activities to be conducted by the applicant over a 5-year period.

Species:
Bengal tiger (Panthera tigris tigris).
Siberian tiger (Panthera tigris altaica).
Snow leopard (Uncia uncia).
Cheetah (Acinonyx jubatus).
Orangutan (Pongo pygmaeus).
Asian elephant (Elephas maximus).

Applicant: Bramble Park Zoo, Watertown, SD; PRT—685135

The applicant requests renewal and amendment of their captive-bred wildlife registration under 50 CFR 17.21(g) for the following families, genus, and species, to enhance their propagation or survival. This notification covers activities to be conducted by the applicant over a 5-year period.

Families:
Calithricidae.
Lemuridae.
Hylobatidae.
Genus:
Panthera.
Species:
Snow leopard (Uncia uncia).

Applicant: Lucky 7 Exotics Ranch, Eden, TX; PRT—70470A

The applicant requests a captive-bred wildlife registration under 50 CFR 17.21(g) for the barasingha (Rucervus duvaucelii), Eld’s deer (Rucervus eldii), Arabian oryx (Oryx leucoryx), scimitar-horned oryx (Oryx dammah), addax (Addax nasomaculatus), dama gazelle (Nanger dama), and red lechwe (Kobus leche), to enhance their propagation or survival. This notification covers activities to be conducted by the applicant over a 5-year period.

Applicant: Lucky 7 Exotics Ranch, Eden, TX; PRT—70466A

The applicant requests a permit authorizing interstate and foreign commerce, export, and cull of excess barasingha (Rucervus duvaucelii), scimitar-horned oryx (Oryx dammah), addax (Addax nasomaculatus), and red lechwe (Kobus leche), from the captive herd maintained at their facility, for the purpose of enhancement of the survival of the species. This notification covers activities to be conducted by the applicant over a 5-year period.
Applicant: Ferdinand Fercos Hantig and Anton Fercos Hantig, Las Vegas, NV; PRT–073403, 114454, and 206853

The applicant requests the re-issuance of their permits to re-export and re-import three captive-born tigers (Panthera tigris) to worldwide locations for the purpose of enhancement of the species. The permit numbers and animals are 073403, Sherni; 114454, Dora; and 206853, Allaya. This notification covers activities to be conducted by the applicant over a 3-year period and the import of any potential progeny born while overseas.

Multiple Applicants

The following applicants each request a permit to import the sport-hunted trophy of one male bontebok (Damalisca pygargus pygargus) culled from a captive herd maintained under the management program of the Republic of South Africa, for the purpose of enhancement of the survival of the species.

Applicant: Lee Anderson, Naples, FL; PRT–PRT–69571A.

Applicant: John Mikkelson, Northport, NY; PRT–70057A.

Applicant: Bruce N. Kobrin, Las Vegas, NV; PRT–70125A.


Lisa Lierheimer,
Supervisory Policy Specialist, Branch of Permits, Division of Management Authority.

For further information contact: Mr. Daniel Breaux, at 985/882–2030 (telephone), 985/882–9133 (fax), or BogueChitto@fws.gov (email).

Supplementary Information:

Introduction

With this notice, we finalize the CCP process for Bogue Chitto NWR. We started this process through a notice in the Federal Register on February 20, 2009 (74 FR 7913). Please see that notice for more about the refuge.

We announce our decision and the availability of the first CCP and FONSI for Bogue Chitto 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 (Draft CCP/EA).

Compatibility determinations are also available in the CCP for: (1) Wildlife observation/photography; (2) recreational fishing; (3) recreational hunting; (4) environmental education and interpretation activities; (5) walking, hiking, and jogging; (6) camping; (7) forest management; (8) scientific research; (9) kayaking and canoeing; (10) boating; (11) nuisance animal control; and (12) bicycling.

Background

The CCP Process

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.

Established in 1980, Bogue Chitto NWR is one of eight refuges managed as part of the Southeast Louisiana National Wildlife Refuge Complex (Complex). The refuge headquarters is located about 9 miles northeast of Slidell, Louisiana. The 36,502-acre refuge is bisected by the Pearl River, with portions in St. Tammany and Washington Parishes, Louisiana, and Pearl River County, Mississippi. On the Mississippi side of the river, the refuge is bounded by Old River Wildlife Management Area (15,400 acres) to the north and by the State of Louisiana’s Pearl River Wildlife Management Area (35,031 acres) to the south, thereby forming nearly an 87,000-acre block of protected forested wetlands and adjacent uplands within the Pearl River Basin.

The public has the opportunity to hunt white-tailed deer, squirrel, turkey, waterfowl, and hog. Fishing is also available. Threatened and endangered species found on the refuge are: Ringed map turtle (Graptemys oculifera), gopher tortoise (Gopherus polyphemus), inflated heelslipper mussel (Potamilus inflatus), and gulf sturgeon (Acipenser oxyrinchus desotoi). Access is primarily by boat on the Louisiana side, with road access available on the Mississippi side. In 2002, the Holmes Bayou walking trail was unveiled on the Louisiana side of the refuge. This 3/4-mile walking trail offers a unique journey into the interior of the refuge’s majestic habitat. The Pearl River Turnaround area is being developed as a site for education and interpretation, as well as a site for the annual youth fishing rodeo.

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 May 27, 2011 (76 FR 30959). A news release was sent out to four local, State, and regional newspapers; six online media outlets; and two local radio networks. Copies of the Draft CCP/EA were posted at refuge headquarters and on the Service’s Internet Web site and more than 100 copies were distributed to local landowners; the general public; and local, State, and Federal agencies. Respondents representing the Service, the Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries, and the National Park Service, as well as local citizens, submitted written comments by mail or email.