DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

National Institute of Biomedical Imaging and Bioengineering; Notice of Closed Meeting

Pursuant to section 10(d) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, as amended (5 U.S.C. App.), notice is hereby given of the following meeting.

The meeting will be closed to the public in accordance with the provisions set forth in sections 552b(c)(4) and 552b(c)(6), Title 5 U.S.C., as amended. The grant applications and the discussions could disclose confidential trade secrets or commercial property such as patentable material, and personal information concerning individuals associated with the grant applications, the disclosure of which would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy.

Name of Committee: National Institute of Biomedical Imaging and Bioengineering Special Emphasis Panel; P41 BTRC review.

Date: March 11–13, 2013.

Time: 6:00 p.m. to 12:00 p.m.

Place: Hilton Houston Plaza/Medical Center, 6633 Travis Street, Houston, TX 77030.

Contact Person: Manana Sukhareva, Ph.D., Scientific Review Officer, National Institute of Biomedical Imaging and Bioengineering, National Institutes of Health, 6707 Democracy Boulevard, Suite 959, Bethesda, MD 20892, 301–451–3397, sukharema@mail.nih.gov.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Office of the Secretary

Secretarial Commission on Indian Trust Administration and Reform

AGENCY: Office of the Secretary, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of meeting; correction.

SUMMARY: The Office of the Secretary published a document in the Federal Register of January 28, 2013, announcing that the Secretarial Commission on Indian Trust Administration and Reform (the Commission) will hold a public meeting on February 12 and 13, 2013; and will host a youth outreach session on February 11, 2013. This notice corrects and clarifies the location of the meetings.

DATES: The Commission’s public meeting will begin at 8 a.m. and end at 2:30 p.m. on February 12, and begin at 8 a.m. and end at 4:30 p.m. on February 13, 2013. Members of the public who wish to attend in person should RSVP to trustcommission@ios.doi.gov to ensure adequate meeting packets will be made available. Members of the public who wish to participate via teleconference and/or webinar should respond by February 8, 2013, to trustcommission@ios.doi.gov and information on how to register will be provided; virtual participation is limited to 100 participants. The Commission’s public youth outreach session will be held from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. on February 11, 2013; additional information will be available at http://www.doi.gov/cobell/commission/index.cfm.

ADDRESSES: The public meeting on February 12 and 13, 2013, will be held at the Hilton Seattle Airport, 17620 International Blvd., Seattle, Washington 98188. The public youth outreach session will be held at the University of Washington, Samuel E. Kelly Ethnic Cultural Center, 3931 Brooklyn Avenue NE., Seattle, Washington 98195.


David J. Hayes, Deputy Secretary.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Corrections

In the Federal Register of January 28, 2013, in the FR Doc. 5829–5830, on page 5829, in the third column, correct the location listed in the ADDRESSES section with the following:

The public meeting on February 12 and 13, 2013, will be held at the Hilton Seattle Airport, 17620 International Blvd., Seattle, Washington 98188. We encourage you to RSVP to trustcommission@ios.doi.gov by February 8, 2013. The public youth outreach session on February 11, 2013 will be held at University of Washington, Samuel E. Kelly Ethnic Cultural Center, 3931 Brooklyn Avenue NE., Seattle, Washington 98195.


David Clary, Program Analyst, Office of Federal Advisory Committee Policy. [FR Doc. 2013–02696 Filed 2–6–13; 8:45 am]

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Fish and Wildlife Service

Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plants; Enhancement of Survival Permit Application; Draft Greater Sage-grouse Umbrella Candidate Conservation Agreement With Assurances for Wyoming Ranch Management, and Environmental Assessment

AGENCY: Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of availability; request for comments.

SUMMARY: We, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Service), are announcing the availability of the following documents for review and comment by the public and Federal, Tribal, State, and local governments:

• Draft Greater Sage-grouse Umbrella Candidate Conservation Agreement with Assurances for Wyoming Ranch Management (Umbrella CCAA), and
• Draft Environment Assessment of the Greater Sage-grouse Umbrella Candidate Conservation Agreement with Assurances for Wyoming Ranch Management (EA).

The Service and several State, Federal, and local partners prepared the draft Umbrella CCAA to provide...
Wyoming ranchers with the opportunity to voluntarily conserve greater sage-grouse and its habitat while carrying out their ranching activities. Ranchers may apply for an enhancement of survival permit under the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (ESA), by agreeing to implement certain conservation measures in the Umbrella CCAA that apply to their properties. Pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act, we also prepared a draft environmental assessment (EA) that analyzes the potential impacts to the human environment from the proposed Umbrella CCAA and alternatives to the action.

DATES: Written comments must be submitted by March 11, 2013.

ADDRESSES: Send written comments by U.S. mail to Tyler Abbott, Deputy Field Supervisor, Wyoming Ecological Services Field Office, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, 5353 Yellowstone Road, Suite 308A, Cheyenne, WY 82009, or via email to WYSagegrouseCCAA@fws.gov. You also may send comments by facsimile to 307–772–2358. The draft CCAA and EA are available on our Mountain-Prairie Region Ecological Services Web site at www.fws.gov/wyominges/. You also may review copies of these documents during regular business hours at the Wyoming Ecological Services Field Office (see address above). If you do not have access to the Web site or cannot visit our office, you may request copies by telephone at 307–772–2374 ext. 231 or by letter to the Wyoming Field Office.


SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Under a Candidate Conservation Agreement with Assurances (CCAA), participating landowners voluntarily undertake management activities on their property to enhance, restore, or maintain habitat benefiting species that are proposed for listing or candidates for listing under the ESA, or those species that may become candidates. A CCAA, and the subsequent permits that are issued pursuant to section 10(a)(1)(A) of the ESA (16 U.S.C. 1531 et seq.), encourage private and non-Federal property owners to implement conservation efforts for species by assuring property owners that they will not be subjected to increased land use restrictions as a result of efforts to attract or increase the numbers or distribution of a listed species on their property if that species becomes listed under the ESA in the future. CCAA permit application requirements and issuance criteria are found in 50 CFR 17.22(d) and 17.32(d).

On March 23, 2010, the Service determined that listing the greater sage-grouse (Centrocercus urophasianus) under the ESA (16 U.S.C. 1538) was warranted, but precluded by the need to address higher priority species first. As result, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, in coordination with the Wyoming Governor’s Office, the Bureau of Land Management, the Natural Resources Conservation Service, the Wyoming Department of Agriculture, Wyoming Game and Fish Department, and the Wyoming Association of Conservation Districts, developed a draft statewide umbrella CCAA for ranch management. The intent of the umbrella CCAA is to use voluntary, proactive conservation measures to reduce or remove threats to the greater sage-grouse, thereby potentially reducing the need to list the species. The draft umbrella CCAA covers an area of approximately 17 million acres of privately owned lands within the range of the greater sage-grouse in Wyoming.

The draft umbrella CCAA contains a comprehensive menu of conservation measures designed to reduce or remove each identified potential threat to the greater sage-grouse that may occur on a ranching operation in Wyoming. This approach allows each interested rancher to select conservation measures specific to their operation, rather than require each participant to conform to one prescriptive action. A private landowner who wishes to enroll in the umbrella CCAA would develop a streamlined individual CCAA for the enrolled property. Partner agencies would assist the landowner in selecting the conservation measures from the umbrella CCAA that would address threats occurring on the property to be enrolled. Each landowner would submit their individual CCAA to the Service to apply for a section 10(a)(1)(A) permit for take of the sage-grouse incidental to conservation and ranching activities, should the species become listed.

The Service and other participating agencies have also developed a draft EA that considers the potential impacts of implementing the umbrella CCAA and issuing assurances and individual permits to private landowners participating in the umbrella CCAA.

Public Availability of Comments

Before including your address, phone number, email address, or other personal identifying information in your comment, you should be aware that your comments and 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.


Michael Thabault, Acting Regional Director, Mountain-Prairie Region, Denver, Colorado.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Fish and Wildlife Service


Receipt of Applications for Endangered Species Permits

AGENCY: Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.

ACTION: Notice.

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 a Federal permit is issued that allows such activities. The ESA requires that we invite public comment before issuing these permits.

DATES: We must receive written data or comments on the applications at the address given below, by March 11, 2013.

ADDRESSES: Documents and other information submitted with the applications are available for review, subject to the requirements of the Privacy Act and Freedom of Information Act, by any party who submits a written request for a copy of such documents to the following office within 30 days of the date of publication of this notice: U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, 1875 Century Boulevard, Suite 200, Atlanta, GA 30345 (Attn: Cameron Shaw, Permit Coordinator).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Cameron Shaw, telephone 904/731–3191; facsimile 904/731–3045.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The public is invited to comment on the following applications for permits to conduct certain activities with endangered and threatened species pursuant to section 10(a)(1)(A) of the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1531 et seq.) and our regulations in the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) at 50 CFR part 17. This notice is provided under section 10(c) of the Act.