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 street 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: New Mexico State University, Las Cruces, NM; PRT–15671C

The applicant requests a permit to import biological samples of wild blue-throated macaw (Ara glaucogularis) for the purpose of scientific research. This notification covers activities to be conducted by the applicant over a 1-year period.

Applicant: Columbia University, Center for Infection and Immunity, New York, NY; PRT–07998C

The applicant requests a permit to import 563 thick-billed parrot samples (Rhyynchopsitta pachyrhyncha) from Mexico for the purpose of scientific research. This notification covers activities to be conducted by the applicant over a 1-year period.

Applicant: Cyler Conrad, Albuquerque, NM; PRT–09206C

The applicant requests a permit to import bone samples from deceased wild collected Galapagos giant tortoise (Chelonoidis nigra) for the purpose of scientific research. This notification covers activities to be conducted by the applicant over a 5-year period.

Multiple Applicants

The following applicants each request a permit to import the sport-hunted trophy of one male bontebok (Damaliscus 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: Charles Waibel, Powell Butte, OR; PRT–12500C
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Bureau of Indian Affairs

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Land Acquisitions; Craig Tribal

AGENCY: Bureau of Indian Affairs, Interior.

APPLICATION: Notice of final agency determination.

SUMMARY: The Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary—Indian Affairs made a final agency determination to acquire 1.08 acres, more or less, of land in trust for the Craig Tribal Association, Alaska, for economic development and other purposes on January 10, 2017.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Helen Riggs, Director, Office of Trust Determination, Bureau of Indian Affairs, MS–4620 MIB, 1849 C Street NW., Washington, DC 20240, telephone (202) 513–7641.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This notice is published in the exercise of authority delegated by the Secretary of the Interior to the Office of the Assistant Secretary—Indian Affairs by 209 Departmental Manual 8.1, and is published to comply with the requirements of 25 CFR 151.12 (c)(2)(ii) that notice of the decision to acquire land in trust be promptly provided in the Federal Register.

On January 10, 2017, the Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary—Indian Affairs issued a decision to accept approximately 1.08 acres, more or less, of land in trust for the Craig Tribal Association, Alaska, under the authority of the Indian Reorganization Act of 1934, 25 U.S.C. 465.

The Alaska Regional Director, on behalf of the Secretary of the Interior, will immediately acquire title in the name of the United States of America in trust for the Craig Tribal Association upon fulfillment of Departmental requirements.

LEGAL DESCRIPTION

The 1.08 acres, more or less, are located in the city of Craig, State of Alaska, and are described as follows:

Lot Q–3, subdivision of the unsubdivided remainder of Tract Q, U.S. Survey 2327, according to the plat thereof filed December 7, 1988, as plat No. 88–39, Ketchikan Recording District, State of Alaska, containing 1.08 acres.


Lawrence S. Roberts,
Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary—Indian Affairs.

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Indian Entities Recognized and Eligible To Receive Services From the United States Bureau of Indian Affairs

AGENCY: Bureau of Indian Affairs, Interior.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This notice publishes the current list of 567 Tribal entities recognized and eligible for funding and services from the Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) by virtue of their status as Indian Tribes. The list is updated from the notice published on May 4, 2016 (81 FR 26826).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ms. Laurel Iron Cloud, Bureau of Indian Affairs, Division of Tribal Government Services, Mail Stop 4513–MIB, 1849 C Street NW., Washington, DC 20240. Telephone number: (202) 513–7641.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This notice is published pursuant to Section 104 of the Act of November 2, 1994 (Pub. L. 103–454; 108 Stat. 4791, 4792), and in exercise of authority delegated to the Assistant Secretary—Indian Affairs under 25 U.S.C. 2 and 9 and 209 DM 8.

Published below is an updated list of federally acknowledged Indian Tribes in the contiguous 48 states and Alaska, to reflect various name changes and corrections.

Amendments to the list include name changes and name corrections. To aid in identifying tribal name changes and corrections, the Tribe’s previously listed or former name is included in parentheses after the correct current tribal name. We will continue to list the Tribe’s former or previously listed name for several years before dropping the former or previously listed name from the list.

The listed Indian entities are acknowledged to have the immunities and privileges available to federally recognized Indian Tribes by virtue of their government-to-government relationship with the United States as well as the responsibilities, powers, limitations, and obligations of such Tribes. We have continued the practice of listing the Alaska Native entities separately solely for the purpose of facilitating identification of them and reference to them given the large number of complex Native names.


Lawrence S. Roberts,
Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary—Indian Affairs.

Indian Tribal Entities Within the Contiguous 48 States Recognized and Eligible To Receive Services From the United States Bureau of Indian Affairs

Absentee-Shawnee Tribe of Indians of Oklahoma
Agua Caliente Band of Cahuilla Indians of the Agua Caliente Indian Reservation, California
Ak-Chin Indian Community (previously listed as the Ak Chin Indian Community of the Maricopa (Ak Chin) Indian Reservation, Arizona)
Alabama-Coushatta Tribe of Texas (previously listed as the Alabama-Coushatta Tribes of Texas)
Alabama-Quassarte Tribal Town
Alutsarai Indian Rancheria, California
Apache Tribe of Oklahoma
Ararapa Tribe of the Wind River Reservation, Wyoming
Aroostook Band of Micmacs (previously listed as the Aroostook Band of Micmac Indians)
Assiniboine and Sioux Tribes of the Fort Peck Indian Reservation, Montana
Augustine Band of Cahuilla Indians, California (previously listed as the Augustine Band of Cahuilla Mission Indians of the Augustine Reservation)
Bad River Band of the Lake Superior Tribe of Chippewa Indians of the Bad River Reservation, Wisconsin
Bay Mills Indian Community, Michigan
Bear River Band of the Rohnerville Rancheria, California
Berry Creek Rancheria of Maidu Indians of California
Big Lagoons Rancheria, California
Big Pine Paiute Tribe of the Owens Valley (previously listed as the Big Pine Band of Owens Valley Paiute Shoshone Indians of the Big Pine Reservation, California)
Big Sandy Rancheria of Western Mono Indians of California (previously listed as the Big Sandy Rancheria of Mono Indians of California)
Big Valley Band of Pomo Indians of the Big Valley Rancheria, California
Bishop Paiute Tribe (previously listed as the Paiute-Shoshone Indians of the Bishop Community of the Bishop Colony, California)