

Reasons: Secured Area

Florida

Bldg. 5008 AAFES Shoppette

6901 Hwy 98

Tyndall AFB FL

Landholding Agency: Air Force

Property Number: 18201620045

Status: Unutilized

Comments: property located within military airfield.

Reasons: Within airport runway clear zone

Bldg. 5007 AAFES Storage

6903 Hwy 98

Tyndall AFB FL 32403

Landholding Agency: Air Force

Property Number: 18201620046

Status: Unutilized

Comments: property located in military airfield.

Reasons: Within airport runway clear zone

New Jersey

Building 603

3 Miles from the entrance of the park inside of lot D

Highlands NJ 07732

Landholding Agency: Interior

Property Number: 61201620012

Status: Excess

Comments: property located within floodway which has not been correct or contained. Documented deficiencies: structural damage due to Superstorm Sandy; unsound foundation; clear threat to physical safety.

Reasons: Extensive deterioration; Floodway

New Mexico

Bldg. 202

207 Phoenix Ave.

Cannon AFB NM

Landholding Agency: Air Force

Property Number: 18201620047

Status: Unutilized

Comments: public access denied and no alternative to gain access without compromising national security.

Reasons: Secured Area

Bldg. 772

109 E Albright Ave.

Cannon AFB NM

Landholding Agency: Air Force

Property Number: 18201620048

Status: Unutilized

Comments: public access denied and no alternative without compromising national security.

Reasons: Secured Area

Bldg. 211

108 N. Aderholt Loop

Cannon AFB NM

Landholding Agency: Air Force

Property Number: 18201620049

Status: Unutilized

Comments: public access denied and no alternative method to gain access without compromising national security.

Reasons: Secured Area

Pennsylvania

National Energy Technology

626 Cochran Mills Road

PO Box 10940

Pittsburgh PA 15236

Landholding Agency: GSA

Property Number: 54201620027

Status: Excess

GSA Number: 4-B-PA-0835AA

Directions: Land Holding Agency: Energy;

Disposal Agency: GSA

Comments: public access denied and no alternative method to gain access without compromising national security.

Reasons: Secured Area

Rhode Island

3 Buildings

Naval Station Newport

Newport RI 02871

Landholding Agency: Navy

Property Number: 77201620030

Status: Excess

Directions: Building P30, P60 & 49

Comments: public access denied and no alternative method to gain access without compromising national security.

Reasons: Secured Area

Virginia

Tract 02-175 Machinery Storage Shed

226 Claven Lane

Middletown VA 22645

Landholding Agency: Interior

Property Number: 61201620015

Status: Excess

Comments: documented deficiencies: documentation provided represents a clear threat to personal physical safety; poor condition & structurally unsound.

Reasons: Extensive deterioration

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Fish and Wildlife Service

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Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plants; Recovery Permit Application

AGENCY: Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of availability; request for comments.

SUMMARY: We, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, invite the public to comment on the following application for a permit to conduct activities intended to enhance the survival of endangered species. Federal law prohibits certain activities with endangered species unless a permit is obtained.

DATES: To ensure consideration, please send your written comments by July 28, 2016.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments by either of the following methods. You may also use one of the following methods to request more information or hard copies or a CD-ROM of the documents.

- Email: permitsR7ES@fws.gov.

Please refer to Permit Number TE-

99138B in the subject line of the message.

- U.S. Mail: U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, MS 361, 1011 East Tudor Road, Anchorage, AK 99503.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Drew Crane, Endangered Species Coordinator, Ecological Services, (907) 781-3323 (phone); permitsR7ES@fws.gov (email).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**Background**

The Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*), prohibits certain activities with endangered and threatened species unless the activities have been authorized by a Federal permit. The Act and its implementing regulations in part 17 of title 50 of the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) provide for the issuance of such permits and require that we invite public comment before issuing permits for activities involving endangered species.

A permit granted by us under section 10(a)(1)(A) of the Act authorizes the permittee to conduct activities with U.S. endangered or threatened species for scientific purposes, enhancement of propagation or survival, or interstate commerce (the latter only in the event that it facilitates scientific purposes or enhancement of propagation or survival). Our regulations implementing section 10(a)(1)(A) of the Act for these permits are found at 50 CFR 17.22 for endangered wildlife species, 50 CFR 17.32 for threatened wildlife species, 50 CFR 17.62 for endangered plant species, and 50 CFR 17.72 for threatened plant species.

Application Available for Review and Comment

We invite local, State, and Federal agencies and the public to comment on the following application. Documents and other information the applicant has submitted with the application are available for review, subject to the requirements of the Privacy Act (5 U.S.C. 552a) and Freedom of Information Act (5 U.S.C. 552).

Permit Application Number TE-99138B

Applicant: U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Anchorage, AK.

The applicant requests a permit to collect genetic material from Aleutian shield ferns (*Polystichum aleuticum*) in Alaska for the purpose of enhancing the species' survival.

National Environmental Policy Act

The proposed activities in the requested permit qualify as categorical exclusions under the National

Environmental Policy Act, as provided by Department of the Interior implementing regulations in part 46 of title 43 of the CFR (43 CFR 46.205, 46.210, and 46.215).

Public Availability of Comments

All comments and materials we receive in response to this notice will be available for public inspection, by appointment, during normal business hours at the address listed above in **ADDRESSES**.

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.

Authority

We provide this notice under section 10 of the Act (16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*).

Dated: June 20, 2016.

Mary Colligan,

Assistant Regional Director, Alaska Region.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Fish and Wildlife Service

[FWS-HQ-ES-2016-0004]

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

[RIN 0648-XE423]

Notice of Availability and Request for Public Comment on the Joint U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and National Marine Fisheries Service Habitat Conservation Planning Handbook

AGENCY: Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior; National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS), National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Commerce.

ACTION: Notice of availability; request for public comment.

SUMMARY: We, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) and the National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS), issue Endangered Species Act incidental take permits and help applicants develop conservation plans as a prerequisite to obtaining those

permits. We announce the availability of and request public comment on a draft revision of our joint Habitat Conservation Plan (HCP) Handbook, which describes requirements, procedures, and guidance for permit issuance and conservation-plan development. The HCP Handbook initially was released in 1996, and revised by addendum in July 2000.

DATES: To ensure consideration, written comments on the draft HCP Handbook must be received or postmarked on or before August 29, 2016. Comments submitted electronically using the Federal eRulemaking Portal (see **ADDRESSES**) must be received by 11:59 p.m. Eastern Time on the closing date. Any comments that we receive after the closing date may not be considered.

ADDRESSES:

Availability of Documents

Internet: You may obtain copies of all of the documents at: <http://www.regulations.gov/>.

Comment submission: You may submit written comments on the draft joint HCP Handbook by one of the following methods:

- **Electronically:** Go to the Federal e-Rulemaking Portal: <http://www.regulations.gov>. In the Search box, enter FWS-HQ-ES-2016-0004, or NOAA-NMFS-2016-0004, which is the docket number for this notice. On the left side of the screen, under the Document Type heading, click on the Notices link to locate this document, complete the required fields, and enter or attach your comment.
- **By hard copy:** Submit comments by U.S. mail or hand-delivery to: Public Comments Processing, Attn: FWS-HQ-ES-2016-0004, or NOAA-NMFS-2016-0004; Division of Policy, Performance, and Management Programs; U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, MS: BPHC; 5275 Leesburg Pike; Falls Church, VA 22041-3803.

Instructions: We request that you send comments by only the methods described above. Comments sent by any other method, to any other address or individual, or received after the end of the comment period, may not be considered by the Services.

All comments received will be a part of the public record and will generally be posted for public viewing on www.regulations.gov without change. All personal identifying information (e.g., name, address), confidential business information, or otherwise sensitive information submitted voluntarily by the sender will be publicly accessible. You may request at the top of your document that we

withhold your personal information from public review; however, we cannot guarantee that we will be able to do so.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Trish Adams, USFWS (phone: 703-358-2120; email: trish_adams@fws.gov), or Heather Coll, NMFS (phone: 301-427-8455; email: heather.coll@noaa.gov). Persons who use a Telecommunications Device for the Deaf (TDD) may call the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) at 1-800-877-8339, 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: We, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) and the National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS), issue Endangered Species Act section 10(a)(1)(B) incidental take permits and help applicants develop conservation plans as a prerequisite to obtaining those permits. With this notice, we announce the availability of and request public comment on a draft revision of our joint Habitat Conservation Planning (HCP) Handbook, which describes requirements, procedures, and guidance for section 10(a)(1)(B) permit issuance and conservation-plan development. The joint HCP Handbook initially was announced via a **Federal Register** notice on December 2, 1996 (61 FR 63854), and was revised by addendum, effective July 3, 2000 (65 FR 35242; June 1, 2000). The new, revised draft of the joint HCP Handbook we are announcing via this notice is intended to be more streamlined and user-friendly. It follows the HCP process from start to finish and incorporates feedback we have received about the program.

Background

The purpose of the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*; ESA), is to protect and recover threatened and endangered species and the ecosystems upon which they depend. Section 9 of the ESA prohibits take of any fish or wildlife species listed as endangered, and take of many species listed as threatened is prohibited by regulation. “Take” is defined in section 3 as “to harass, harm, pursue, hunt, shoot, wound, kill, trap, capture, or collect, or to attempt to engage in any such conduct.” Before 1982, the ESA had a mechanism for exempting Federal actions (section 7) from the prohibition on take, but it did not have one for non-Federal activities, except for permits to authorize take from scientific research or certain other conservation actions. Thus, non-Federal parties engaging in activities that resulted in take of listed species risked violating ESA section 9 take prohibitions. Congress recognized the