

comprehensive conservation plans and associated environmental documents pursuant to the Service's Comprehensive Conservation Planning Policy and the National Environmental Policy Act and implementing regulations.

The meetings are scheduled as follows:

Tuesday, June 19, 2001, 6 p.m.–9 p.m.,
Currituck County Commissioners;
Meeting Room, Old County
Courthouse, Second Floor, 105
Courthouse Road, Currituck, NC
27929.

Thursday, June 21, 2001, 6 p.m.–9 p.m.,
Corolla Fire Station, 827 Whalehead
Drive, Corolla, NC 27927.

Tuesday, June 26, 2001, 6 p.m.–9 p.m.,
Creeds Elementary School, 920
Princess Anne Road, Virginia Beach,
VA 23457.

Thursday, June 28, 2001, 6 p.m.–9 p.m.,
Knotts Island Ruritan Building, 126
Brumley Road, Knotts Island, NC
27950.

DATES: Written comments should be received on or before June 25, 2001.

ADDRESSES: Address comments and requests for more information to the following: D.A. Brown, M.S., P.W.S., 1106 West Queen Street, P.O. Box 329, Edenton, North Carolina 27932, (252) 482-2364.

Information concerning these refuges may be found at the following website: <http://rtncf-rci.ral.r4.fws.gov>

If you wish to comment, you may submit your comments by any one of several methods. You may mail comments to the above address. You may also comment via the Internet to the following address: D_A_Brown@fws.gov. Please submit Internet comments as an ASCII file avoiding the use of special characters and any form of encryption. Please also include your name and return address in your Internet message. If you do not receive a confirmation from the system that we have received your Internet message. If you do not receive a confirmation from the system that we have received your Internet message, contact D.A. Brown directly at the above address. Finally, you may hand-deliver comments to Mr. Brown at 1106 West Queen Street, Edenton, North Carolina. Our practice is to make comments, including names and home addresses of respondents, available for public review during regular business hours. Individual respondents may request that we withhold their home address from the record, which we will honor to the extent allowable by law. There also may be circumstances in which we would withhold from the record a respondent's

identity, as allowable by law. If you wish us to withhold your name and/or address, you must state this prominently at the beginning of your comment. However, we will not consider anonymous comments. We will make all submissions from organizations or businesses, and from individuals identifying themselves as representatives or officials of organizations or businesses, available for public inspection in their entirety.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: It is the policy of the Fish and Wildlife Service to have all lands within the National Wildlife Refuge System managed in accordance with an approved Comprehensive Conservation Plan. The plan guides management decisions and identifies the goals, objectives, and strategies for achieving refuge purposes. Public input into this planning process is encouraged. The plan will provide other agencies and the public with a clear understanding of the desired conditions of the refuge and how the Service will implement management strategies.

Mackay Island National Wildlife Refuge was established in 1961, as a wintering area for greater snow geese and feeding habitat for other migratory birds—primarily waterfowl.

Currituck National Wildlife Refuge, administered by Mackay Island Refuge, was established in 1983, to preserve and protect a portion of the North Carolina Outer Banks, one of the largest undeveloped coastal barrier ecosystems remaining on the east coast. The Service's ownership ensures perpetuation of basic wetland functions, including nutrient cycling, floodplain and erosion control, and assists in preserving the role of Currituck Sound estuaries as nurseries. The ground is an important black duck wintering area.

Dated: May 11, 2001.

Judy L. Pulliam,

Acting Regional Director.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Fish and Wildlife Service

Endangered and Threatened Species Permit Applications

ACTION: Notice of receipt of applications.

SUMMARY: The following applicants have applied for a scientific research permit to conduct certain activities with endangered species pursuant to section 10(a)(1)(A) of the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (16 U.S.C.

1531, *et seq.*). These take permits are for research and recovery purposes.

Permit No. TE-041875-0

Applicant: John L. Koprowski, Tucson, Arizona.

Applicant requests a permit to capture, ear-tag, and release Mt. Graham red squirrels (*Tamiasciurus hudsonicus grahamensis*) for a population ecology study within Arizona.

Permit No. TE-041877-0

Applicant: Southland Consulting Services, L.L.C., Clinton, Louisiana.

Applicant requests a permit to conduct presence/absence surveys for interior least tern (*Sterna antillarum athalassos*) in Oklahoma and Texas.

Permit No. TE-042679-0

Applicant: Charles A. Bergman, Tacoma Washington.

Applicant requests a permit to photograph a southwestern willow flycatcher (*Empidonax traillii extimus*) at a nest site in Arizona as part of an education book concerning endangered species.

Permit No. TE-042663-0

Applicant: Kathleen E. Conway, Grand Junction, Colorado.

Applicant requests a permit to conduct presence/absence surveys for southwestern willow flycatcher (*Empidonax traillii extimus*) within Colorado.

Permit No. TE-041874-0

Applicant: WestWater Engineering, Grand Junction, Colorado.

Applicant requests a permit to conduct presence/absence surveys for southwestern willow flycatcher (*Empidonax traillii extimus*) within Colorado.

Permit No. TE-041869-0

Applicant: The Louis Berger Group, Inc., Santa Fe, New Mexico.

Applicant requests a permit to conduct presence/absence surveys for southwestern willow flycatcher (*Empidonax traillii extimus*) within Arizona, New Mexico, Colorado, California, and Nevada.

Permit No. TE-042659-0

Applicant: Marty R. Stratman, Gunnison, Colorado.

Applicant requests a permit to conduct presence/absence surveys for southwestern willow flycatcher (*Empidonax traillii extimus*) within Colorado.

Permit No. TE-041873-0

Applicant: Lynn Cudlip, Gunnison, Colorado.

Applicant requests a permit to conduct presence/absence surveys for southwestern willow flycatcher (*Empidonax traillii extimus*) within Colorado.

Permit No. TE-041868-0

Applicant: Kevin L. Hamann, Edgewood, New Mexico.

Applicant requests a permit to conduct presence/absence surveys for southwestern willow flycatcher (*Empidonax traillii extimus*) within Arizona, New Mexico, and Colorado.

Permit No. TE-042958-0

Applicant: Dwight Chapman, dba, Southwest Research, Boulder, Colorado.

Applicant requests a permit to conduct presence/absence surveys for southwestern willow flycatcher (*Empidonax traillii extimus*) within Utah.

Permit No. TE-043060-0

Applicant: ERO Resources Corporation, Denver, Colorado.

Applicant requests a permit to conduct presence/absence surveys for southwestern willow flycatcher (*Empidonax traillii extimus*) within Colorado.

Permit No. TE-042955-0

Applicant: Greystone Environmental Consultants, Inc., Greenwood Village, Colorado.

Applicant requests a permit to conduct presence/absence surveys for southwestern willow flycatcher (*Empidonax traillii extimus*), Yuma clapper rail (*Rallus longirostris yumanensis*), and cactus ferruginous pygmy-owl (*Glaucidium brasilianum cactorum*) within Arizona.

Permit No. TE-023159-1

Applicant: SORA (Southwestern Ornithological Research & Adventures), Albuquerque, New Mexico.

Applicant requests a permit to conduct presence/absence surveys for the northern aplomado falcon (*Falco femoralis septentrionalis*) within New Mexico.

Permit No. TE-042662-0

Applicant: Charles Rex Wahl, Tucson, Arizona.

Applicant requests a permit to conduct presence/absence surveys for the following species: Brown pelican (*Pelicanus occidentalis*), Yuma clapper rail (*Rallus longirostris yumanensis*), black-capped vireo (*Vireo atricapillus*), golden-cheeked warbler (*Dendroica chrysoparia*), piping plover (*Charadrius melodus*), cactus ferruginous pygmy-owl (*Glaucidium brasilianum*

cactorum), Mexican spotted owl (*Strix occidentalis lucida*) and southwestern willow flycatcher (*Empidonax traillii extimus*) within Texas, Arizona, and New Mexico.

Permit No. TE-041879-0

Applicant: Michele S. Johnson, Houston, Texas.

Applicant requests a permit to capture and rehabilitate the brown pelican (*Pelicanus occidentalis*) and piping plover (*Charadrius melodus*) in case of an oil spill or if orphaned or injured within Texas.

Permit No. TE-042951-0

Applicant: Gila River Indian Community, Department of Land and Water, Sacaton, Arizona.

Applicant requests a permit to propagate bonytail chub (*Gila elegans*) for restocking into the Colorado River at Lake Havasu, Arizona.

Permit No. TE-042961-0

Applicant: Marlis R. Douglas, Fort Collins, Colorado.

Applicant requests a permit to capture, tag, take fin clippings for genetic analyses of bonytail chub (*Gila elegans*) within Arizona.

Permit No. TE-028649-0

Applicant: Chris Thibodaux, Wimberley, Texas.

Applicant requests a permit to conduct presence/absence surveys for the following karst invertebrates species in Bexar County, Texas: Helotes mold beetle (*Batrissodes ventyvi*), Robber Baron Cave harvestman (*Texella cokendolpheri*), Robber Baron Cave spider (*Cicurina baronia*), Madla's cave spider (*Cicurina madla*), vesper cave spider (*Cicurina vespera*), Government Canyon cave spider (*Neoleptoneta microps*), as well as another cave spider (*Cicurina exilis*) and two cave beetles (*Rhadina venii* and *Rhadina infernalis*) that do not have common names. These activities will be conducted within Texas.

Permit No. TE-041876-0

Applicant: Loreen Allphin Woolstenhulme, Provo, Utah.

Applicant requests a permit to collect plant parts, fruits, and seeds from the Sentry milk-vetch (*Astragalus cremnophalax* var. *cremnophalax*) within Arizona.

Permit No. TE-042662-0

Applicant: Gena K. Janssen, Austin, Texas.

Applicant requests a permit to collect fruits and seeds from the following plant species: Zapata bladderpod

(*Lesquerella thamnophila*), Texas Ayenia (*Ayenia limitaris*), Walker's manioc (*Manihot walkerae*), and Johnston's frankenia (*Frankenia johnstonii*) within Texas.

DATES: Written comments on these permit applications must be received on or before June 25, 2001.

ADDRESS: Written data or comments should be submitted to the Chief, Endangered Species Division, Ecological Services, P.O. Box 1306, Room 4102, Albuquerque, New Mexico 87103; (505) 248-6649; Fax (505) 248-6788. Documents will be available for public inspection by written request, by appointment only, during normal business hours (8:00 to 4:30) at the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Albuquerque, New Mexico. Please refer to the respective permit number for each application when submitting comments. All comments received, including names and addresses, will become part of the official administrative record and may be made available to the public.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Chief, Endangered Species Division, Albuquerque, New Mexico, at the above address. Documents and other information submitted with these 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 within 30 days of the date of publication of this notice, to the address above.

Stephen C. Helfert,

Assistant Regional Director, Ecological Services, Region 2, Albuquerque, New Mexico.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Draft General Management Plan/ Environmental Impact Statement (GMP/EIS), Crater Lake National Park, Oregon

AGENCY: National Park Service.

ACTION: Notice of intent to prepare an environmental impact statement.

SUMMARY: Under the provisions of the National Environmental Policy Act, the National Park Service is preparing an environmental impact statement for the general management plan for Crater Lake National park.

The plan is needed to guide the protection and preservation of the natural and cultural environments, considering a variety of interpretive and recreational visitor experiences that