

The final session will be convened Saturday morning, September 30, at 9 a.m. The Committee will review the discussion of the 2007 Workplan, have updates on the Subcommittee site visits and discuss the letter to the Secretary. The meeting will be adjourned at 10:30 a.m.

For Further Information Contact: Anyone requiring information regarding the Committee should contact Tom Morris, M.P.A., Executive Secretary, National Advisory Committee on Rural Health and Human Services, Health Resources and Services Administration, Parklawn Building, Room 9A-55, 5600 Fishers Lane, Rockville, MD 20857, Telephone (301) 443-0835, Fax (301) 443-2803.

Persons interested in attending any portion of the meeting should contact Michele Pray-Gibson, Office of Rural Health Policy (ORHP), Telephone (301) 443-0835. The Committee meeting agenda will be posted on ORHP's Web site <http://www.ruralhealth.hrsa.gov>.

Dated: August 28, 2006.

Cheryl R. Dammons,
Director, Division of Policy Review and Coordination.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Fish and Wildlife Service

Endangered and Threatened Species Permit Applications

AGENCY: Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of receipt of applications.

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

DATES: To ensure consideration, written comments must be received on or before October 5, 2006.

ADDRESSES: Written comments should be submitted to the Chief, Endangered Species Division, Ecological Services, P.O. Box 1306, Room 4102, Albuquerque, New Mexico 87103. 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. Documents will be available for public inspection, by appointment only, during normal business hours at the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, 500 Gold Ave. SW., Room 4102, 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, (505) 248-6920.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Permit No. TE-038050

Applicant: Trevor Hare, Tucson, Arizona.

Applicant requests an amendment to an existing permit to conduct presence/absence surveys and enhance propagation for Gila Chub (*Gila intermedia*) within Arizona.

Permit No. TE-794593

Applicant: Texas State Aquarium, Corpus Christi, Texas.

Applicant requests an amendment to an existing permit to hold northern aplomado falcon (*Falco femoralis septentrionalis*) for educational displays within Texas.

Permit No. TE-828830

Applicant: Bureau of Land Management-Tucson, Tucson, Arizona.

Applicant requests an amendment to an existing permit to conduct presence/absence surveys and enhance propagation for Gila Chub (*Gila intermedia*) within Arizona.

Permit No. TE-841909

Applicant: Prescott National Forest, Chino Valley, Arizona.

Applicant requests an amendment to an existing permit to conduct presence/absence surveys and enhance propagation for Gila Chub (*Gila intermedia*) within Arizona.

Permit No. TE-841359

Applicant: Gila National Forest, Silver City, New Mexico.

Applicant requests an amendment to an existing permit to conduct presence/absence surveys and enhance propagation for Gila Chub (*Gila intermedia*) within Arizona.

Permit No. TE-122838

Applicant: Jennifer Gumm, Bethlehem, Pennsylvania.

Applicant requests a new permit for research and recovery purposes to conduct presence/absence surveys for Leon Springs pupfish (*Cyprinodon bovinus*) within Texas.

Permit No. TE-814841

Applicant: Desert Botanical Gardens, Phoenix, Arizona.

Applicant requests an amendment to an existing permit to conduct presence/

absence surveys and to collect seed and/or cuttings for *Pediocactus bradyi* (Brady pincushion cactus) and *Pediocactus peeblesianus* (Peebles Navajo cactus) within Arizona.

Permit No. TE-122856

Applicant: George Robert Myers, Austin, Texas.

Applicant requests a new permit for research and recovery purposes to conduct presence/absence surveys for Mexican long-nosed bat (*Leptonycteris nivalis*), lesser long-nosed bat (*Leptonycteris curasoae yerbabuenae*), Barton Springs salamander (*Eurycea sosorum*), San Marcos Salamander (*Eurycea nana*), Texas blind salamander (*Typhlomolge rathbuni*), and Peck's cave amphipod (*Stygobromus pecki*) within Texas. Additionally, applicant requests authorization to survey for and collect the following species within Texas: *Batrises texanus* (Coffin Cave mold beetle), *Stygoparnus comalensis* (Comal Springs dryopid beetle), *Heterelmis comalensis* (Comal Springs riffle beetle), *Batrises ventyivi* (Helotes mold beetle), *Cicurina baronia* (Robber Baron Cave meshweaver), *Cicurina madla* (Madla's cave meshweaver), *Cicurina venii* (Braken Bat Cave meshweaver), *Cicurina vespera* (Government Canyon Bat Cave meshweaver), *Neoleptoneta microps* (Government Canyon Bat Cave spider), *Neoleptoneta myopica* (Tooth Cave spider), *Rhadine exilis* (ground beetle, no common name), *Rhadine infernalis* (ground beetle, no common name), *Rhadine persephone* (Tooth Cave ground beetle), *Tartarocreagris texana* (Tooth Cave pseudoscorpion), *Texamaurops reddelli* (Kretschmar Cave mold beetle), *Texella cokendolphi* (Cokendolpher cave harvestman), *Texella reddelli* (Bee Creek Cave harvestman), and *Texella reyesi* (Bone Cave harvestman).

Permit No. TE-122857

Applicant: Texas State University, San Marcos, Texas.

Applicant requests a new permit for research and recovery purposes to collect and survey for *Heterelmis comalensis* (Comal Springs riffle beetle) within Texas.

Permit No. TE-123070

Applicant: Susana Morales, Tucson, Arizona.

Applicant requests a new permit for research and recovery purposes to conduct presence/absence surveys for the following species within Arizona, New Mexico, Oklahoma, and Texas: black-capped vireo (*Vireo atricapillus*),

cactus ferruginous pygmy-owl (*Glaucidium brasilianum cactorum*), golden-cheeked warbler (*Dendroica chrysoparia*), interior least tern (*Sterna antillarum*), lesser long-nosed bat (*Leptonycteris curasoae yerbabuenae*), northern aplomado falcon (*Falco femoralis septentrionalis*), piping plover (*Charadrius melodus*), red-cockaded woodpecker (*Picoides borealis*), southwestern willow flycatcher (*Empidonax traillii extimus*), Yuma clapper rail (*Rallus longirostris yumanensis*), and Houston toad (*Bufo houstonensis*).

Permit No. TE-009792

Applicant: The Arboretum at Flagstaff, Flagstaff, Arizona.

Applicant requests an amendment to an existing permit to conduct presence/absence surveys and to collect seed and/or cuttings for *Astragalus humillimus* (Mancos milk-vetch) within New Mexico and Colorado.

Permit No. TE-028605

Applicant: SWCA Environmental Consultants, Flagstaff, Arizona.

Applicant requests an amendment to an existing permit to allow presence/absence surveys for the following species throughout their respective ranges in Arizona, New Mexico, and Texas: black-footed ferret (*Mustela nigripes*), Hualapai Mexican vole (*Microtus mexicanus hualpaiensis*), lesser long-nosed bat (*Leptonycteris curasoae yerbabuenae*), Mexican long-nosed bat (*Leptonycteris nivalis*), Mount Graham red squirrel (*Tamiasciurus hudsonicus grahamensis*), Yuma clapper rail (*Rallus longirostris yumanensis*), Gila chub (*Gila intermedia*), Sonoran tiger salamander (*Ambystoma tigrinum stebbinsi*), and Virgin River chub (*Gila robusta semidnuda*).

Permit No. TE-088197

Applicant: High Mesa Research, Arroyo Seco, New Mexico.

Applicant requests an amendment to an existing permit to conduct presence/absence surveys for southwestern willow flycatcher (*Empidonax traillii extimus*) within New Mexico.

Permit No. TE-814933

Applicant: Texas Parks and Wildlife Department, Austin, Texas.

Applicant requests an amendment to an existing permit for research and recovery purposes to conduct surveys, mist-net and collect tissue samples for Mexican long-nosed bat (*Leptonycteris nivalis*) within Big Bend National Park, Texas.

Permit No. TE-127287

Applicant: Loren K. Ammerman, San Angelo, Texas.

Applicant requests a new permit for research and recovery purposes to conduct surveys, mist-net and collect tissue samples for Mexican long-nosed bat (*Leptonycteris nivalis*) within Big Bend National Park, Texas.

Permit No. TE-039139

Applicant: Bat Conservation International, Austin, Texas.

Applicant requests an amendment to an existing permit for research and recovery purposes to conduct surveys, capture, light tag and zip-line for lesser long-nosed bat (*Leptonycteris curasoae yerbabuenae*) within Texas.

Permit No. TE-129406

Applicant: Gill Michael Sorg, Las Cruces, New Mexico.

Applicant requests a new permit for research and recovery purposes to conduct presence/absence surveys for northern aplomado falcon (*Falco femoralis septentrionalis*) within Arizona and New Mexico.

Permit No. TE-006655

Applicant: Logan Simpson Design, Tempe, Arizona.

Applicant requests an amendment to an existing permit to conduct presence/absence surveys and enhance propagation for Gila chub (*Gila intermedia*) within Arizona.

Permit No. TE-130663

Applicant: Hermosa Montessori Charter School, Tucson, Arizona.

Applicant requests a new permit for research and recovery purposes to monitor and enhance propagation for Gila topminnow (*Poeciliopsis occidentalis*) and desert pupfish (*Cyprinodon macularius*) as well as providing management of holding facilities within Arizona.

Authority: 16 U.S.C. 1531, *et seq.*

Dated: August 25, 2006.

Christopher T. Jones,

Acting Regional Director, Region 2, Albuquerque, New Mexico.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Fish and Wildlife Service

Proposed Safe Harbor Agreement for the California Red-Legged Frog for Landowners Restoring Aquatic and Riparian Habitat in the Cottonwood Creek Watershed in Shasta and Tehama Counties, California

AGENCY: Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of availability; receipt of application.

SUMMARY: This notice advises the public that the Cottonwood Creek Watershed Group (Applicant) has applied to the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Service) for an enhancement of survival permit pursuant to Section 10(a)(1)(A) of the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (Act). The permit application includes a proposed Safe Harbor Agreement (Agreement) between the Applicant and the Service for the threatened California red-legged frog (CRLF) (*Rana aurora draytonii*). The Agreement and permit application are available for public comment.

DATES: Written comments should be received on or before October 5, 2006.

ADDRESSES: Comments should be addressed to Shannon Holbrook, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Sacramento Fish and Wildlife Office, 2800 Cottage Way, W-2605, Sacramento, California 95825. Written comments may be sent by facsimile to (916) 414-6712.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ms. Shannon Holbrook, Sacramento Fish and Wildlife Office (see **ADDRESSES**); telephone: (916) 414-6600.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Availability of Documents

You may obtain copies of the documents for review by contacting the individual named above. You may also make an appointment to view the documents at the above address during normal business hours.

Background

Under a Safe Harbor Agreement, participating landowners voluntarily undertake management activities on their property to enhance, restore, or maintain habitat benefiting species listed under the Act. Safe Harbor Agreements, and the subsequent enhancement of survival permits that are issued pursuant to Section 10(a)(1)(A) of the Act (16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*), encourage private and other non-Federal property owners to implement conservation efforts for listed species by assuring property owners that they will