

**DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND
SECURITY****Federal Emergency Management
Agency**

[FEMA-1780-DR]

**Texas; Amendment No. 4 to Notice of
a Major Disaster Declaration****AGENCY:** Federal Emergency
Management Agency, DHS.**ACTION:** Notice.**SUMMARY:** This notice amends the notice
of a major disaster declaration for the
State of Texas (FEMA-1780-DR), dated
July 24, 2008, and related
determinations.**DATES:** *Effective Date:* August 13, 2008.**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**Peggy Miller, Disaster Assistance
Directorate, Federal Emergency
Management Agency, 500 C Street, SW.,
Washington, DC 20472, (202) 646-3886.**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The notice
of a major disaster declaration for the
State of Texas is hereby amended to
include the following area among those
areas determined to have been adversely
affected by the catastrophe declared a
major disaster by the President in his
declaration of July 24, 2008.

Jim Hogg County for Public Assistance.
(The following Catalog of Federal Domestic
Assistance Numbers (CFDA) are to be used
for reporting and drawing funds: 97.030,
Community Disaster Loans; 97.031, Cora
Brown Fund; 97.032, Crisis Counseling;
97.033, Disaster Legal Services; 97.034,
Disaster Unemployment Assistance (DUA);
97.046, Fire Management Assistance Grant;
97.048, Disaster Housing Assistance to
Individuals and Households in Presidentially
Declared Disaster Areas; 97.049,
Presidentially Declared Disaster Assistance—
Disaster Housing Operations for Individuals
and Households; 97.050, Presidentially
Declared Disaster Assistance to Individuals
and Households—Other Needs; 97.036,
Disaster Grants—Public Assistance
(Presidentially Declared Disasters); 97.039,
Hazard Mitigation Grant.)

R. David Paulison,*Administrator, Federal Emergency
Management Agency.*

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SECURITY****Federal Emergency Management
Agency**

[FEMA-1768-DR]

**Wisconsin; Amendment No. 16 to
Notice of a Major Disaster Declaration****AGENCY:** Federal Emergency
Management Agency, DHS.**ACTION:** Notice.**SUMMARY:** This notice amends the notice
of a major disaster declaration for the
State of Wisconsin (FEMA-1768-DR),
dated June 14, 2008, and related
determinations.**DATES:** *Effective Date:* August 18, 2008.**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**Peggy Miller, Disaster Assistance
Directorate, Federal Emergency
Management Agency, 500 C Street, SW.,
Washington, DC 20472, (202) 646-3886.**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The notice
of a major disaster declaration for the
State of Wisconsin is hereby amended to
include the following area among those
areas determined to have been adversely
affected by the catastrophe declared a
major disaster by the President in his
declaration of June 14, 2008.

Walworth County for Public
Assistance (already designated for
Individual Assistance.)

(The following Catalog of Federal Domestic
Assistance Numbers (CFDA) are to be used
for reporting and drawing funds: 97.030,
Community Disaster Loans; 97.031, Cora
Brown Fund; 97.032, Crisis Counseling;
97.033, Disaster Legal Services; 97.034,
Disaster Unemployment Assistance (DUA);
97.046, Fire Management Assistance Grant;
97.048, Disaster Housing Assistance to
Individuals and Households in Presidentially
Declared Disaster Areas; 97.049,
Presidentially Declared Disaster Assistance—
Disaster Housing Operations for Individuals
and Households; 97.050, Presidentially
Declared Disaster Assistance to Individuals
and Households—Other Needs; 97.036,
Disaster Grants—Public Assistance
(Presidentially Declared Disasters); 97.039,
Hazard Mitigation Grant.)

R. David Paulison,*Administrator, Federal Emergency
Management Agency.*

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BILLING CODE 9110-10-P**DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR****Fish and Wildlife Service**[FWS-R4-R-2008-N0152; 40136-1265-
0000-S3]**Clarks River National Wildlife Refuge,
Marshall, McCracken, and Graves
Counties, KY****AGENCY:** Fish and Wildlife Service,
Interior.**ACTION:** Notice of intent to prepare a
comprehensive conservation plan and
environmental assessment; request for
comments.**SUMMARY:** We, the U.S. Fish and
Wildlife Service (Service), intend to
prepare a comprehensive conservation
plan (CCP) and associated National
Environmental Policy Act (NEPA)
documents for Clarks River National
Wildlife Refuge. We provide this notice
in compliance with our CCP policy to
advise other agencies, Tribes, and the
public of our intentions, and to obtain
suggestions and information on the
scope of issues to consider in the
planning process.**DATES:** To ensure consideration, we
must receive your written comments by
October 14, 2008. An open house
meeting will be held during the scoping
phase of the CCP development process.
The date, time, and place for the
meeting will be announced in the local
media.**ADDRESSES:** Address comments,
questions, and requests for more
information to: Tina Chouinard, Natural
Resource Planner, Fish and Wildlife
Service, 6772 Hwy 76 South, Stanton,
TN 38069.**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Tina
Chouinard; *Telephone:* 731/780-8208;
Fax: 731/772-7839; *E-mail:*
*tina_chouinard@fws.gov.***SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:****Introduction**

With this notice, we initiate our
process for developing a CCP for Clarks
River National Wildlife Refuge in
Marshall, McCracken, and Graves
Counties, Kentucky.

This notice complies with our CCP
policy to (1) advise other Federal and
State agencies, Tribes, and the public of
our intention to conduct detailed
planning on this refuge; and (2) obtain
suggestions and information on the
scope of issues to consider in the
environmental document and during
development of the CCP.

Background

The CCP Process

The National Wildlife Refuge System Improvement Act of 1997 (16 U.S.C. 668dd–668ee) (Improvement Act), which amended the National Wildlife Refuge System Administration Act of 1966, requires us to develop a CCP for each national wildlife refuge. The purpose in developing a CCP is to provide refuge managers with a 15-year strategy for achieving refuge purposes and contributing to the mission of the National Wildlife Refuge System, consistent with sound principles of fish and wildlife management, conservation, legal mandates, and our policies. In addition to outlining broad management direction on conserving wildlife and their habitats, CCPs identify wildlife-dependent recreational opportunities available to the public, including opportunities for hunting, fishing, wildlife observation, wildlife photography, and environmental education and interpretation. We will review and update the CCP at least every 15 years in accordance with the Improvement Act.

Each unit of the National Wildlife Refuge System is established for specific purposes. We use these purposes as the foundation for developing and prioritizing the management goals and objectives for each refuge within the National Wildlife Refuge System mission, and to determine how the public can use each refuge. The planning process is a way for us and the public to evaluate management goals and objectives for the best possible conservation approach to this important wildlife habitat, while providing for wildlife-dependent recreation opportunities that are compatible with the refuge's establishing purposes and the mission of the National Wildlife Refuge System.

Our CCP process provides participation opportunities for Tribal, State, and local governments; agencies; organizations; and the public. At this time we encourage input in the form of issues, concerns, ideas, and suggestions for the future management of Clarks River National Wildlife Refuge. Special mailings, newspaper articles, and other media outlets will be used to announce opportunities for input throughout the planning process.

We will conduct the environmental assessment in accordance with the requirements of the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, as amended (NEPA) (42 U.S.C. 4321 *et seq.*); NEPA regulations (40 CFR parts 1500–1508); other appropriate Federal laws and regulations; and our policies

and procedures for compliance with those laws and regulations.

On June 19, 1997, the Clarks River National Wildlife Refuge was established under the “Emergency Wetland Resources Act of 1986 (100 Stat. 3582–91.)” The purposes are “* * * the conservation of the wetlands of the Nation in order to maintain the public benefits they provide and to help fulfill international obligations contained in various migratory bird treaties and conventions * * *” 16 U.S.C. 3901(b), 100 Stat. 3583.

The refuge was first identified as a high priority site for protection in 1978 by the Service's bottomland hardwood conservation program. In 1991, the Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources asked the Service to consider the site for protection as a unit of the National Wildlife Refuge System. The refuge currently consists of approximately 8,500 acres, with an approved acquisition boundary of approximately 18,000 acres that extends along the East Fork of the Clarks River from just south of Benton, Kentucky, northwest to within five miles of the city of Paducah, Kentucky. The office/visitor center and maintenance facilities are located on the refuge in Benton, Kentucky. The most common public use activities on the refuge consist of hunting, fishing, wildlife observation, wildlife photography, and hiking. Environmental education is also a significant use on the refuge.

Public Availability of Comments

Before including your address, phone number, e-mail 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: This notice is published under the authority of the National Wildlife Refuge System Improvement Act of 1997, Public Law 105–57.

Dated: July 1, 2008.

Cynthia K. Dohner,

Acting Regional Director.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

U.S. Geological Survey

Interim Steering Committee for the National Climate Change and Wildlife Science Center

AGENCY: U.S. Geological Survey.

ACTION: Notice of open public meeting.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to Public Law 106–503, the Interim Steering Committee for the National Climate Change and Wildlife Science Center will hold a meeting to discuss priority wildlife climate change research needs of land management and natural resources agencies. Agenda topics will be provided under the **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** section of this notice. Meetings of the Interim Steering Committee for the National Climate Change and Wildlife Science Center are open to the public.

ADDRESSES: The meeting location is Main Interior Building, Department of the Interior, 1849 C Street, NW., Washington, DC 20240, Room B253.

DATES: September 23, 2008, commencing at 9:15 a.m. and adjourning at 12 p.m.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Robin Schrock, U.S. Geological Survey, 12201 Sunrise Valley Drive MS301, Reston, Virginia 20192, 703–648–4066, Robin_Schrock@usgs.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The National Climate Change and Wildlife Science Center Interim Steering Committee is comprised of members from Federal and State government. The Interim Steering Committee shall advise the Director of the U.S. Geological Survey (USGS) on matters relating to the development of the National Climate Change and Wildlife Science Center.

Matters To Be Considered: The meeting will begin with Federal, State and non-governmental organizations provided an opportunity to discuss the agenda for the planned December Workshop on climate change and wildlife research needs. The committee will use common themes and unique needs identified in previous meetings, including modeling, forecasting, and technology transfer, to build a workshop program that will explore additional needs and address the current state of knowledge and management and policy implications. The meeting will conclude with identification of potential workshop speakers and invitees.