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○ Tim Rielly, Natural Resource Damages Coordinator, Missouri Department of Natural Resources, P.O. Box 176, Jefferson City, MO 65102–0176.

• *Email*: You may request copies of the Plan by sending electronic mail (email) to John_S_Weber@fws.gov or Tim.Rielly@dnr.mo.gov. Do not use any special characters or forms of encryption in your email.

• *On-site review*: Available at the Columbia, MO, address above or at Missouri Department of Natural Resources, 1730 E. Elm St., Jefferson City, Missouri.

Submitting Comments: Submit all comments by U.S. mail to Tim Rielly, Natural Resource Damages Coordinator, Missouri Department of Natural Resources, P.O. Box 176, Jefferson City, MO 65102–0176.

See Public Involvement under **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** for information on public availability of comments.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Technical Information: John Weber, (573) 234–2132 (x177)

State of Missouri Natural Resource Damages Assessment Manager: Tim Rielly (573) 526–3353.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The DOI (represented by the FWS), the USDA (represented by the USFS), and the State of Missouri, acting through the Missouri Department of Natural Resources, together are trustees (Trustees) for natural resources considered in this restoration plan, pursuant to subpart G of the National Oil and Hazardous Substances Pollution Contingency Plan (40 CFR 300.600 and 300.610) and Executive Order 12580. The *Memorandum of Understanding Between the Missouri Department of Natural Resources, U.S. Department of the Interior, and U.S. Department of Agriculture* establishes a Trustee Council charged with developing and implementing a restoration plan for ecological restoration in the Southeast Missouri Ozarks.

The Trustees followed the Natural Resource Damage Assessment and Restoration (NRDAR) regulations found at 43 CFR part 11 for the development of the Plan. The draft Southeast Missouri Ozarks Regional Restoration Plan and Environmental Assessment will be finalized prior to implementation after all public comments received during the public comment period are considered. Any significant additions or modifications to the Plan as restoration actions proceed

will be made available for public review before any additions or modification are undertaken.

The objective of the NRDAR process in the Southeast Missouri Ozarks is to compensate the public, through environmental restoration, for losses of natural resources that have been injured by releases of hazardous substances into the environment. The Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act (CERCLA, more commonly known as the Federal “Superfund” law) [42 U.S.C. 9601 *et seq.*] and the Federal Water Pollution Control Act (commonly known as the Clean Water Act (CWA)) [33 U.S.C. 1251 *et seq.*] authorize States, federally recognized tribes, and certain Federal agencies that have authority for natural resources “belonging to, managed by, controlled by or appertaining to or otherwise controlled by the United States” to act as “trustees” on behalf of the public, to restore, rehabilitate, replace, and/or acquire natural resources equivalent to those injured by releases of hazardous substances.

The Trustees worked together in a cooperative process to identify appropriate restoration activities to address natural resource injuries caused by releases of hazardous substances into the Southeast Missouri Ozarks environment. The results of this administrative process are contained in the planning and decision document being published for public review under CERCLA. Natural resource damages received, either through negotiated settlements or adjudicated awards, must be used to restore, rehabilitate, replace and/or acquire the equivalent of those injured natural resources. The Plan addresses the Trustees’ overall approach to restore, rehabilitate, replace and/or acquire the equivalent of natural resources injured by the release of hazardous substances into the Southeast Missouri Ozarks environment.

Public Involvement

Interested members of the public are invited to review and comment on the Plan. Copies can be requested from the addresses and Web sites listed above. Comments on the Plan should be sent to the Missouri Department of Natural Resources at the address listed above.

The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service will provide copies of all comments to the other Trustees. All comments received from individuals become part of the official public record. Requests for such comments will be handled in accordance with the Freedom of Information Act and the Council on Environmental Quality’s NEPA

regulations (40 CFR 1506.6(f)), as well as the State of Missouri’s Sunshine Law (Chapter 610, RSMo.).

The Trustees’ 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 their home address is withheld from the record, which each agency will honor to the extent allowable by law. If a respondent wishes to withhold his/her name and/or address, this must be stated prominently at the beginning of the comment.

Authority

This notice is provided pursuant to NRDAR regulations (43 CFR 11.81(d)(4)) and NEPA regulations (40 CFR 1506.6).

Dated: September 6, 2013.

Charlie Wooley,

Acting Regional Director, U.S. Fish and Wildlife, Region 3.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Fish and Wildlife Service

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DeSoto and Boyer Chute National Wildlife Refuges; Washington County, Nebraska, and Harrison and Pottawattamie Counties, Iowa; Draft Environmental Assessment and Comprehensive Conservation Plan

AGENCY: Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of availability; request for comments.

SUMMARY: We, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Service), announce the availability of an environmental assessment (EA) and draft comprehensive conservation plan (CCP) for DeSoto and Boyer Chute National Wildlife Refuges (Refuges, NWRs) for public review and comment. In this EA/Draft CCP, we describe how we propose to manage the refuges for the next 15 years.

DATES: To ensure consideration, we must receive your written comments by October 21, 2013. We will hold open house-style meetings during the public review period to receive comments and provide information on the draft plan. In addition, we will use mailings, newspaper articles, internet postings, and other media announcements to inform people of opportunities for input.

ADDRESSES: Send your comments or requests for more information by any of the following methods:

- *Email:* r3planning@fws.gov. Include "DeSoto and Boyer Chute EA/Draft CCP" in the subject line of the message.

- *Fax:* Attention: Refuge Manager, 712-388-4808.

- *U.S. Mail:* Attention: Refuge Manager, DeSoto and Boyer Chute National Wildlife Refuges, 1434 316th Lane, Missouri Valley, IA 51555.

- *In-Person Drop Off:* You may drop off comments during regular business hours at the above address.

You will find the draft EA/CCP, as well as information about the planning process and a summary of the CCP, on the planning Web site: http://www.fws.gov/midwest/planning/desoto_boyerchute/index.html.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Tom Cox, 712-388-4801.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Introduction

With this notice, we continue the CCP process for DeSoto and Boyer Chute National Wildlife Refuges. We began the CCP process for Boyer Chute Refuge by publishing a notice of intent in the **Federal Register** (75 FR 7289) on February 18, 2010 and for DeSoto Refuge by publishing a notice of intent in the **Federal Register** (76 FR 76745) on December 8, 2011. For more information about the initial process and the history of these refuges, see those notices.

Background

The National Wildlife Refuge System Administration Act of 1966, as amended by the National Wildlife Refuge System Improvement Act of 1997 (16 U.S.C. 668dd-668ee) (Administration Act), 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 toward the mission of the National Wildlife Refuge System (NWRS), consistent with sound principles of fish and wildlife management, conservation, legal mandates, and Service 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 and photography, and environmental education and interpretation. We will review and update the CCP at least every 15 years in accordance with the Administration Act.

Each unit of the NWRS was 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 NWRS 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 that will ensure the best possible approach to wildlife, plant, and habitat conservation, while providing for wildlife-dependent recreation opportunities that are compatible with each refuge's establishing purposes and the mission of the NWRS.

Additional Information

The draft EA/CCP, which includes detailed information about the planning process, refuges, issues, and management alternatives considered and proposed, may be found at http://www.fws.gov/midwest/planning/desoto_boyerchute/index.html.

Public Involvement

We will give the public an opportunity to provide input at public meetings. You can obtain the schedule from the address or Web site listed in this notice (see **ADDRESSES**). You may also submit comments anytime during the comment period.

Public Availability of Comments

Before including your address, phone number, email address, or other personally identifiable information in your comment, you should be aware that your entire comment—including your personally identifiable information—may be made publicly available at any time. While you can ask us in your comment to withhold your personally identifiable information from public review, we cannot guarantee that we will be able to do so.

Charles M. Wooley,

*Acting Regional Director, Midwest Region,
U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service.*

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

U.S. Geological Survey

National Cooperative Geologic Mapping Program (NCGMP) and National Geological and Geophysical Data Preservation Program (NGGDPP) Advisory Committee

AGENCY: U.S. Geological Survey, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of annual meeting; audio conference.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to Public Law 106-148, the NCGMP and NGGDPP Advisory Committee will hold an audio conference call on October 31, 2013, from 8 a.m.-5 p.m. Mountain Standard Time. The Advisory Committee, comprising representatives from Federal agencies, State agencies, academic institutions, and private companies, shall advise the Director of the U.S. Geological Survey on planning and implementation of the geologic mapping and data preservation programs.

The Committee will hear updates on progress of the NCGMP toward fulfilling the purposes of the National Geological Mapping Act of 1992, as well as updates on the NGGDPP toward fulfilling the purposes of the Energy Policy Act of 2005.

DATES: October 31, 2013, from 8 a.m.-5 p.m. Mountain Standard Time.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For the phone number and access code, please contact Michael Marketti, U.S. Geological Survey, Mail Stop 908, National Center, Reston, Virginia 20192, (703) 648-6976.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Meetings of the National Cooperative Geologic Mapping Program and National Geological and Geophysical Data Preservation Program Advisory Committee are open to the Public.

Kevin T. Gallagher,

Associate Director for Core Science Systems.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

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Notice of Intent To Prepare an Environmental Impact Statement for the Proposed Maricopa Solar Park Project in Maricopa County, AZ

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of intent.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, as amended (NEPA), and the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976, as amended, the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) Lower Sonoran Field Office, Phoenix, Arizona, intends to prepare an environmental impact statement (EIS) and by this notice is announcing the beginning of