

10. The proposal also must describe the proposer's experience with automated systems to support the services required (including accessibility, documentation, security, and flexibility).

11. The proposal must include sufficient information on the relevant experience, special training and education of proposed personnel related to the tasks to be performed.

12. The proposal must describe the method to be used to manage and control the tasks to be performed under the contract.

13. The proposal must include a quality assurance plan.

14. The proposal must provide a plan for the transfer of responsibility for contract administration from HUD to the Contract Administrator.

15. All proposers must include in their response the fixed, ongoing administrative fee per unit per month they propose for the first year of the ACC.

16. Selected Contract Administrators shall provide to HUD, by the 15th of each month, a report which includes the following information:

#### *Physical Inspections\**

Number of inspections completed during month.

Cumulative percentage of assisted units.

Number with unacceptable ratings.  
Number requiring remedial actions and type of action.

#### *Occupancy and Management\**

Number of on-site management reviews completed during month.

Cumulative percentage of reviews completed.

Number of tenant files reviewed.  
Cumulative percentage of reviews completed.

#### *Contract Rents\**

Number of rent increases approved.  
Number of budget-based rent increases approved.

Number of special rent adjustments reviewed.

#### *Data Systems*

Any problems.

#### *Payment to Project Owners*

Number of payments made after first of the month with number of days late and reason.

#### *Annual Financial Statements*

Number and status of problem cases noted by the Assessment Center.

Number of owners contacted for corrective actions.

Number of corrective actions outstanding (over 30 days late).

Status/progress of corrective actions.

#### *Community/Resident Relations*

Description of repeated complaints at any project and steps taken to resolve.

Steps taken to promote resident initiatives.

#### *Loss Mitigation and General Project Servicing*

Synopsis of support provided to HUD Centers.

Number of requests reviewed for releases from reserve for replacement account and residual receipts.

#### *Other*

Hot topics—Projects that required special attention due to such matters as abatement actions, excessive tenant complaints, inquiries from governmental officials or general public.

Any significant administrative actions that could affect the contract.

Major accomplishments, success stories, etc.

Noteworthy meetings.

Pending issues.

#### *Year-End Reporting*

Number of annual operating budgets, requisitions, and year-end statements submitted.

Percentage of required number.

\* Where appropriate, the Contract Administrator shall give the project name and project number and submit copies of all reviews and inspections.

(3) Description of the need for the information and its proposed use:

The requested information is needed for HUD's selection of contract administrators to provide contract administration services for project-based Section 8 Housing Assistance Payments (HAP) contracts currently being administered directly by HUD staff. The Department is not providing any assurances of confidentiality.

(4) Description of the likely respondents, including the estimated number of likely respondents, and proposed frequency of response to the collection of information:

HUD will enter into an ACC only with a legal entity that meets one of the following qualifications:

1. A general or special purpose governmental entity, which includes a State, municipality, or public benefit corporation (including a housing authority).

2. A multi-state, regional or interstate entity which has governmental functions.

3. An existing or to be created for-profit or not-for-profit private entity

acting as an instrumentality of a governmental entity, or multiple governmental entities, or any of them, acting in concert or partnership with a private entity ("private instrumentality"). Respondents will be entities with experience in real estate foreclosure procedures.

The estimated number of respondents is approximately 250. The estimated frequency of responses is estimated to be no more than three times during a three year period.

(5) Estimate of the total reporting and recordkeeping burden that will result from the collection of information:

#### *Reporting Burden:*

*Number of Request respondents:* 250.

*Total burden hours* (@ 20 hours per response): 5,000.

*Number of Monthly Reporters:* 10.

*Number of Monthly Reports* (Annual): 12.

*Total burden hours* (@ 5 hours per response): 600.

*Total Estimated Annual Burden Hours:* 5,600.

**Authority:** Section 3507 of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, 44 U.S.C. Chapter 35, as amended.

Dated: March 20, 1998.

#### **David S. Cristy**

*Director, IRM Policy and Management Division.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Fish and Wildlife Service

#### Notice of Receipt of Application for Renewal for Endangered Species Permit

**AGENCY:** Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.

**ACTION:** Notice of receipt.

The following applicant has applied for a permit to conduct certain activities with endangered species. This notice is provided pursuant to section 10(c) of the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*):

*Applicant:* Assistant Regional Director, Ecological Services, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Hadley, Massachusetts; PRT-697823.

This applicant requests renewal of their current permit for take activities for all listed species in the states of Connecticut, Delaware, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, Vermont, Virginia, West Virginia and the District of Columbia for the purpose of scientific

research and enhancement of propagation or survival of the species as prescribed by Service recovery documents.

Written data or comments should be submitted to the Regional Endangered Species Permits Coordinator, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, 300 Westgate Center Drive, Hadley, Massachusetts 01035 and must be received within 30 days of the date of this publication.

Documents and other information submitted with this application 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 to the following office within 30 days of the date of publication of this notice: U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, 300 Westgate Center Drive, Hadley, Massachusetts 01035, Attention: Diane Lynch, Regional Endangered Species Permits Coordinator. Telephone: (413) 253-8628; FAX: (413) 253-8482.

Dated: March 16, 1998.

**Cathy Short,**

*Deputy Regional Director, Region 5.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Fish and Wildlife Service

#### Forum on Ecological Surveys of Aquatic Nuisance Species—Aquatic Nuisance Species Task Force

**AGENCY:** Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.

**ACTION:** Notice of meeting.

**SUMMARY:** This notice announces the Forum on Ecological Surveys of Aquatic Nuisance Species. The 1996 amendments to the Nonindigenous Aquatic Nuisance Prevention and Control Act added a new subsection requiring that the Aquatic Nuisance Species (ANS) Task Force, in consultation with the U.S. Coast Guard, conduct ecological surveys in nationally significant estuaries and other waters that are highly susceptible to invasion by ANS resulting from ballast water operations and other operations of vessels and require further study. The surveys shall determine what nonindigenous aquatic species are present and estimate the effectiveness of ballast water and other vessel management guidelines and regulations in abating invasions. Studies of the Chesapeake Bay, San Francisco Bay, and Honolulu Harbor are specifically required.

**DATES:** The Workshop will be held from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. on April 21, 1998.

**ADDRESSES:** The Workshop will be held at the Smithsonian Environmental Research Center, 647 Contees Wharf Road, Edgewater, Maryland 21037. Minutes of the meeting will be maintained by the Executive Secretary, ANS Task Force, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, 4401 North Fairfax Drive, Suite 840, Arlington, Virginia 22203-1622.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Craig A. Czarnecki, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, by telephone at 703-358-2025 or E-mail at [craig\\_czarnecki@fws.gov](mailto:craig_czarnecki@fws.gov) or Dr. Gregory Ruiz, Smithsonian Environmental Research Center at 301-261-4190 (ext. 227) or E-mail at [ruiz@serc.edu](mailto:ruiz@serc.edu).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Pursuant to section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (5 U.S.C. App. I), this notice announces the Forum on Ecological Surveys of Aquatic Nuisance Species pursuant to section 1102(b) of the Nonindigenous Aquatic Nuisance Prevention and Control Act of 1990 (16 U.S.C. 4701-4741).

The purposes of this meeting are to (1) provide background on the statutory requirements for ecological surveys, (2) provide an update on past, ongoing, and future studies with a similar focus, (3) discuss standardized approaches for conducting and disseminating results from future ecological surveys, and (4) identify strategies for synthesis and comprehensive analysis among completed surveys.

The meeting is open to the public. Interested persons may make oral statements at the meeting or submit written statements for consideration.

Dated: March 20, 1998.

**Rowan Gould,**

*Acting Assistant Director—Fisheries, Co-Chair, Aquatic Nuisance Species Task Force.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Fish and Wildlife Service

#### Correction to Location of Meeting

**SUMMARY:** Pursuant to section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (5 U.S.C. App. I), this notice announces a meeting of the Klamath Fishery Management Council, established under the authority of the Klamath River Basin Fishery Resources Restoration Act (16 U.S.C. 460ss *et seq.*). The Klamath Fishery Management Council makes recommendations to agencies that regulate harvest of anadromous fish in

the Klamath River Basin. The objective of this meeting is to develop management options for the 1998 Klamath fall chinook salmon season, to be presented to the Pacific Fisheries Management Council. The meeting is open to the public.

**Dates:** The Klamath Fishery Management Council will meet from 2:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. on Sunday, April 5.

**Place:** The meeting will be held at the Doubletree Hotel Columbia River, 1401 N. Hayden Island Drive, Portland, Oregon.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Dr. Ronald A. Iverson, Project Leader, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, P.O. Box 1006 (1215 South Main), Yreka, California 96097-1006, telephone (530) 842-5763.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** For background information on the Klamath Council, please refer to the notice of their initial meeting that appeared in the **Federal Register** on July 8, 1987 (52 FR 25639).

Dated: March 18, 1998.

**Cynthia U. Barry,**

*Acting Assistant Regional Director, Klamath/Central Pacific Coast Ecoregion.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Bureau of Land Management

[OR-130-1020-00; GP8-0141]

#### Notice of Meeting of the Eastern Washington Resource Advisory Council

**ACTION:** Meeting of the Eastern Washington Resource Advisory Council; April 30, 1998, in Spokane, Washington.

**SUMMARY:** A meeting of the Eastern Washington Resource Advisory Council will be held on April 30, 1998. The meeting will convene at 8:00 a.m., at the Spokane District Office of the Bureau of Land Management, 1103 N. Fancher Road, Spokane, WA 99212. The meeting will adjourn upon conclusion of business, but no later than 4:00 p.m. Public comments will be heard from 10:00 a.m. until 10:30 a.m. If necessary to accommodate all wishing to make public comments, a time limit may be placed upon each speaker. At an appropriate time, the meeting will adjourn for approximately one hour for lunch. Topics to be discussed include: noxious weeds, the Interior Columbia Basin Ecosystem Management Project, implementation of Standards for