

raises antibody responses in a T-independent fashion, which allows antibodies to be raised in the absence of T cell help. BA-LPS is much less toxic than LPS from other bacteria, and is much less potent than other bacterial LPS in including inflammatory cytokines. Thus, BA-LPS is much less likely to cause endotoxic shock. There are no foreign patent rights. The invention is further described in *Infection & Immunity* 61(5), pp. 1722-1729, 1993.

Dated: July 6, 1998.

Jack Spiegel,

Director, Division of Technology Development and Transfer, Office of Technology Transfer.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Fish and Wildlife Service

Aquatic Nuisance Species Task Force Meeting

AGENCY: Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: This notice announces the Summer 1998 meeting of the Aquatic Nuisance Species Task Force. Meeting topics are identified in the **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION.**

DATES: The Aquatic Nuisance Species Task Force will meet from 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Wednesday, July 22, 1998.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at Arlington Square Building, Room 200, 4401 North Fairfax Drive, Arlington, Virginia.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Bob Peoples, Executive Secretary, Aquatic Nuisance Species Task Force, 703-358-2025.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: 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 Aquatic Nuisance Species Task Force. The Task Force was established by the Nonindigenous Aquatic Nuisance Prevention and Control Act of 1990.

Topics to be covered during the meeting include review of Task Force membership and regional panel configuration, the future of the ANS Digest, brown tree snake actions and plans, the voluntary national recreational activity guidelines for submission to the U.S. Coast Guard, a summary of Task Force staff activities, regional panel updates, and reports about or from the voluntary national ballast water guidelines and regulatory

changes, recommendations of the Forum on Ecological Surveys, the Green Crab Control Proposal Review Committee, and recommendations from the Marine Conservation Biology Institute's Workshop on Marine Invasive Species.

Minutes of the meeting will be maintained by the Executive Secretary, Aquatic Nuisance Species Task Force, Suite 851, 4401 North Fairfax Drive, Arlington, Virginia 22203-1622, and will be available for public inspection during regular business hours, Monday through Friday, within 30 days following the meeting.

Dated: July 9, 1998.

Gary Edwards,

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

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

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Arizona: Intent To Prepare a Resource Management Plan Amendment (Wild Horse and Burro Herd Management Area) and Environmental Assessment

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of Intent To Prepare a Resource Management Plan Amendment/Environmental Assessment and Invitation to Participate in the Identification of Issues; Yuma Field Office, AZ.

SUMMARY: The Bureau of Land Management (BLM), Yuma Field Office, is preparing an Amendment/Environmental Assessment to the Yuma District Resource Management Plan to revise wild horse and burro management provisions. The proposed Amendment would update management provisions for the Cibola-Trigo Herd Management Area in conformance with the Wild Free-Roaming Horse and Burro Act, as amended, (16 U.S.C. 1331-1340) 1994. Under the proposed Amendment, horses and burros would be managed to maintain an appropriate management level that will provide for a thriving natural ecological balance within the Cibola-Trigo Herd Management Area south of Interstate 10 and west of the impact area from the Yuma Proving Ground firing range located near Highway 95, at the southern portion of the military reservation.

DATES: Written comments related to the identification of issues for the proposed Amendment will be accepted on or

before August 19, 1998. A public meeting will be held on August 19, 1998, from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. at the BLM office, 2555 Gila Ridge Road, Yuma, Arizona, to provide additional opportunity for the identification of issues.

ADDRESSES: Send comments to: Ron Morfin, BLM Yuma Field Office, 2555 Gila Ridge Road, Yuma, Arizona 85365.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ron Morfin, Planning Team Leader, Yuma Field Office, Yuma, Arizona. Telephone (520) 317-3226.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The BLM Yuma Field Office is currently coordinating efforts with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, U.S. Army Yuma Proving Ground, and Arizona Game and Fish Department to develop a cooperative management plan for lands and resources contained within the Cibola-Trigo Wild Horse and Burro Herd Management Area through an interdisciplinary planning team. Considering other land and resource values and multiple uses and to provide for a thriving natural ecological balance, management objectives and direction will be proposed for wild horse and burro herds through this effort to reach and maintain the appropriate management level as established by the Cibola-Trigo Herd Management Area Plan. National BLM Policies and guidance at 43 CFR 4700 require that management direction affecting wild horses and burros shall be established through the Land Use Planning Process pursuant to 43 CFR 1600.

Issues to be addressed include: the presence of burros at impact areas from a munitions research and development firing range; management of animals outside of the herd area; management of the current horse and burro herd to reach and maintain an appropriate management level; provisions for refining forage utilization monitoring protocols; and the use of new technologies to monitor herd size.

Documents relevant to the planning process will be available for public review at the BLM Yuma Field Office, 2555 Gila Ridge Road, Yuma, Arizona. This notice is published under the authority found in 43 CFR 1610.2(c).

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