Open committee discussion. The committee will discuss data relevant to the new drug application (NDA) 20-569 ganciclovir intravitreal implant (Vitraser® Sterile Intravitreal Implant, Chiron Vision Corp.) for treatment of cytomegalovirus retinitis. The committee will also discuss data relevant to NDA 20-597 latanoprost (Xalatan™ Sterile Ophthalmic Solution, Pharmacia, Inc.) a topical ophthalmic drug indicated for the reduction of elevated intraocular pressure in patients with open-angle glaucoma and ocular hypertension.

FDA public advisory committee meetings may have as many as four separable portions: (1) An open public hearing, (2) an open committee discussion, (3) a closed presentation of data, and (4) a closed committee deliberation. Every advisory committee meeting shall have an open public hearing portion. Whether or not any of the other three portions will depend upon the specific meeting involved. There are no closed portions for the meetings announced in this notice. The dates and times reserved for the open portions of each committee meeting are listed above.

The open public hearing portion of each meeting shall be at least 1 hour long unless public participation does not last that long. It is emphasized, however, that the 1 hour time limit for an open public hearing represents a minimum rather than a maximum time for public participation, and an open public hearing may last for whatever longer period the committee chairperson determines will facilitate the committee's work.

Public hearings are subject to FDA's guideline (subpart C of 21 CFR part 10) concerning the policy and procedures for electronic media coverage of FDA's public administrative proceedings, including hearings before public advisory committees under 21 CFR part 14. Under 21 CFR 10.205, representatives of the electronic media may be permitted, subject to certain limitations, to videotape, film, or otherwise record FDA's public administrative proceedings, including presentations by participants.

Meetings of advisory committees shall be conducted, insofar as is practical, in accordance with the agenda published in this Federal Register notice. Changes in the agenda will be announced at the beginning of the open portion of a meeting.

Any interested person who wishes to be assured of the right to make an oral presentation at the open public hearing portion of a meeting shall inform the contact person listed above, either orally or in writing, prior to the meeting. Any person attending the hearing who does not in advance of the meeting request an opportunity to speak will be allowed to make an oral presentation at the hearing's conclusion, if time permits, at the chairperson's discretion.

The agenda, the questions to be addressed by the committee, and a current list of committee members will be available at the meeting location on the day of the meeting.

Transcripts of the open portion of the meeting may be requested in writing from the Freedom of Information Office (HFI-35), Food and Drug Administration, rm. 12A-16, 5600 Fishers Lane, Rockville, MD 20857, approximately 15 working days after the meeting, at a cost of 10 cents per page. The transcript may be viewed at the Dockets Management Branch (HFA-305), Food and Drug Administration, rm. 1-23, 12420 Parklawn Dr., Rockville, MD 20857, approximately 15 working days after the meeting, between the hours of 9 a.m. and 4 p.m., Monday through Friday. Summary minutes of the open portion of the meeting may be requested in writing from the Freedom of Information Office (address above) beginning approximately 90 days after the meeting.

This notice is issued under section 10(a)(1) and (2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (5 U.S.C. app. 2), and FDA's regulations (21 CFR part 14) on advisory committees.


David A. Kessler,
Commissioner of Food and Drugs.

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authorize incidental take of currently listed threatened or endangered species that may occur within the planning area in King and Kittitas Counties, Washington, as a result of the Applicant's timber management activities. The unlisted-species provision provides for the issuance of further permits for the incidental take of species not presently listed under the Act, but which might become listed during the term of the proposed permit, and which might occur within the planning area.

The Services also announce the availability of a Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS) for the proposed issuance of the incidental take permit and approval of the Agreement. All comments received will become part of the public record and may be released. This notice is provided pursuant to section 10(c) of the Act and National Environmental Policy Act regulations (40 CFR 1506.6).

DATES: Written comments on the permit application and DEIS should be received on or before January 7, 1996.

ADDRESSES: Comments regarding the application or DEIS, or requests for those documents, should be addressed to William Vogel, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Pacific Northwest Habitat Conservation Plan Program, 3773 Martin Way East, Building C—Suite 101, Olympia, Washington 98501; (360) 534-9330. Please refer to permit No. PRT-808398 when submitting comments. Individuals wishing copies of the documents for review should immediately contact the office listed above. Copies of the documents are also available at the following libraries:

- Wenatchee Public Library, Attention: Joy, 310 Douglas Street, Wenatchee, Washington 98801
- University of Washington Library, Attention: Carolyn Aamot, Government Publications Department, 170 Suzzallo Library, Seattle, Washington 98195–2900
- Seattle Public Library, Attention: Jeanne Voiland, Government Publications Department, 1000 Fourth Avenue, Seattle, Washington 98104
- Evergreen State College, Attention: Lee Lytle, Library Campus Parkway—L23100H, Olympia, Washington 98505
- Central Washington University, Attention: Dr. Patrick McLaughlin, Library Collection Development, Ellensburg, Washington 98926
- King County Library System, Attention: Cheryl Standley, Documents Department, 1111 110th Avenue Northeast, Bellevue, Washington 98004

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

Under section 9 of the Act and its implementing regulations, “taking” of threatened and endangered species is prohibited. However, the Service, under limited circumstances, may issue permits to take threatened or endangered wildlife species if such taking is incidental to, and not the purpose of, otherwise lawful activities. Regulations governing permits for threatened and endangered species are in 50 CFR 17.32 and 17.22.

The permit application includes a Habitat Conservation Plan (HCP) and the Agreement. In the HCP, the Applicant has addressed species conservation and ecosystem management on approximately 170,000 acres of its private land in the Cascade Mountains of Washington. The Applicant's ownership occurs in a "checkerboard" pattern in an area commonly referred to as the I–90 Corridor. The term "checkerboard" refers to sections of public and private land. The "checkerboard" HCP planning area is approximately 419,000 acres in size. The term of the proposed permit is 50 years from the date of issuance, with a possible extension of an additional 50 years for safe-harbor provision purposes.

The Applicant is requesting a permit for the incidental take of northern spotted owls (Strix occidentalis caurina) (owls) which may occur as a result of timber harvest and related activities within a portion of the owl sites present on the Applicant’s property. There are currently more than 100 owl sites that impact operations within the planning area. The Applicant plans to avoid the take of marbled murrelets (Brachyramphus marmoratus marmoratus), but has included murrelets in the incidental take permit application in case some incidental take occurs. The Applicant has also included grizzly bears (Ursus arctos = U. a. horribilis) and gray wolves (Canis lupus) in the permit application to cover the circumstance where these species may occur on the subject property in the future and may at some point be subject to take. The Applicant has addressed numerous other species in their HCP and is requesting the unlisted-species and safe-harbor provisions in the Agreement for vertebrate species which may be found in habitats within the planning area. At the time of termination for the HCP phase of the permit, the safe-harbor provision would provide the Applicant relief from regulatory restrictions on timber-management activities in habitats provided for listed species which are greater than the habitat amounts required under the HCP.

The HCP is designed to complement the Federal Northwest Forest Plan, and includes various forms of mitigation which are integral parts of the HCP. Mitigation includes a schedule of habitat amounts to be provided for each decade of the 50-year HCP. These habitats include eight stand-structure types (ranging from early-successional stages, such as stand initiation, to late-successional stages, such as old growth) and habitat for owls. Owl-habitat projections include projections for nesting, roosting, and foraging habitat, and for foraging and dispersal habitat. Mitigation for gray wolves and grizzly bears include avoidance of timber harvest and road construction in certain habitats, limits to road densities, provision of visual cover, and other specific management prescriptions. Minimum prescriptions are also provided for riparian and wetland areas, and Watershed Analysis will be completed on an accelerated basis. Specific prescriptions to minimize and mitigate impacts will also be implemented for other species and special habitats.

The DEIS considers four alternatives, including the Proposed Action and the No-action Alternatives. Under the No-action Alternative, the Applicant would avoid the take of all Federally listed species and no permit would be issued. Under the Riparian Alternative, emphasis for conservation of fish and wildlife species would be placed in riparian and wetland areas; other portions of the ownership would be managed for aggressive timber harvest. Under the Dispersal Alternative, riparian areas would be managed for fish and wildlife, but, in addition, upland areas would be managed to provide dispersal habitat for owls. The Proposed Action builds upon the benefits of the previous alternatives. It places emphasis for conservation on riparian and wetland areas, but, also, commits to implementation of the Applicant's Environmental Principles; provides for nesting, roosting, and foraging habitat for owls, and provides for habitat deferrals for owls and goshawks. The Proposed Action includes specific mitigation for other currently listed and unlisted wildlife species such as the gray wolf, grizzly bear, Larch Mountain salamander, and...
other vertebrate species and special habitats.

Dated: November 6, 1995.

Thomas J. Dwyer,
Deputy Regional Director, Region 1, Portland, Oregon.
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National Park Service

Fort McHenry National Monument and Historic Shrine, MD; Concession Contract

AGENCY: National Park Service, Interior.

ACTION: Public notice.

SUMMARY: Public notice is hereby given that the National Park Service proposes to issue a concession contract for operations currently conducted by EVELYN HILL CORPORATION authorizing the continuation of gift and souvenir sales for the public at Fort McHenry National Monument And Historic Shrine, Baltimore, Maryland, for a period of five (5) years from January 1, 1996 through December 31, 2000.

EFFECTIVE DATE: January 16, 1996.

ADDRESS: Interested parties should contact the Superintendent, Fort McHenry National Monument and Historic Shrine, Baltimore, Maryland 21230–5393, for information as to the requirements of the proposed contract.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This contract renewal has been determined to be categorically excluded from the procedural provisions of the National Environmental Policy Act and no environmental document will be prepared.

The foregoing concessioner has performed its obligations to the satisfaction of the Secretary under an existing contract which expired by limitation of time on December 31, 1992, and therefore pursuant to the provisions of Section 5 of the Act of October 9, 1965 (79 Stat. 969; 16 U.S.C. 20), is entitled to be given preference in the renewal of the contract and in the negotiation of a new contract as defined in 36 CFR, Section 51.5.

The Secretary will consider and evaluate all proposals received as a result of this notice. Any proposal, including that of the existing concessioner, must be postmarked or hand delivered on or before the sixth (60) day following publication of this notice to be considered and evaluated.

Dated: November 2, 1995.

Warren Beach,
Acting Director, Northeast Field Area.

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AGENCY: National Park Service, Interior.

ACTION: Availability of draft environmental impact statement and general management plan/development concept plan for Natural Bridges National Monument.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to section 102(2)(c) of the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, the National Park Service (NPS) announces the availability of a Draft Environmental Impact Statement/General Management Plan/Development Concept Plan (DEIS/GMP) for Natural Bridges National Monument, Utah.

DATES: The DEIS/GMP will remain available for public review until January 16, 1996. If any public meetings are held concerning the DEIS/GMP, they will be announced at a later date.

ADDRESSES: Comments of the DEIS/GMP should be sent to the Superintendent, Natural Bridges National Monument, Box 1—Natural Bridges, Lake Powell, Utah 84533–0101. Public reading copies of the DEIS/GMP will be available for review at the following locations:

Office of the Superintendent, Natural Bridges National Monument, Box 1—Natural Bridges, Lake Powell, Utah 84533–0101, (801) 692–1234

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The DEIS/GMP analyzes two alternatives which are being considered to direct the management and development of Natural Bridges National Monument for a period of about ten years. The alternatives include: (1) No Action—Under this alternative, existing facilities and management actions would remain unchanged; (2) Proposed Plan—Under the proposal, the administrative/visitor center would be expanded to provide 900–1,400 square feet of office and sales space; removal and rehabilitation of a small picnic area, the addition of a comfort station and benches for visitor comfort along the loop road; the addition of housing for 12 future employees; redesign of the visitor center parking area to improve vehicular circulation; and the addition of a garage and storage building in the maintenance area.

The DEIS/GMP in particular evaluates the environmental consequences of the proposed action and the other alternative on water resources, flood plains, wetlands, geology, soils, vegetation, wildlife, threatened and endangered species, air quality, visual interpretation, socioeconomic data, health and safety, law enforcement, other agencies, management and operations, and cumulative impacts. The environmental consequences of the proposed action and alternative considered are fully disclosed in the DEIS/GMP/DCP.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION: Contact Superintendent, Natural Bridges National Monument, at the above address and telephone number.


Roy Everhart,
Intermountain Field Area, National Park Service.

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Advisory Commission for the San Francisco Maritime National Historical Park; Meeting

Agenda for the December 7, 1995 Meeting of the Advisory Commission for the San Francisco Maritime National Historical Park

Public Meeting. Fort Mason, Building C, Room 370, 9:30 am–12:15 pm
9:30 am—At Building C
Welcome—Neil Chatin, Chairman, Proclamation Presentation—Neil Chatin, Chairman
Opening Remarks—Neil Chatin, Chairman
William G. Thomas, Superintendent
Old Business Approval of Minutes
9:45 am—Orientation to Park Departments
Collections, Judy Hitzeman, Supervisory Archivist
Small Craft, William Doll, Curator of Small Craft
10:05 am—Update—Museum Accreditation San Francisco Maritime National Historical Park, Marc Hayman—Chief, Interpretation and Resource Management
10:15 am—Update—General Management Plan, William G. Thomas, Superintendent
10:30 am—Break
10:45 am—FY–96 Ships Division Priorities, Acting Ships Manager