

under this NOFA and may make any remaining amounts available under a future NOFA.

To review and rate applications, HUD may establish panels including persons not currently employed by HUD to obtain certain expertise and outside points of view, including views from other Federal agencies. HUD reserves the right to use two separate panels to review and rate applications in the two groups, and to announce the awards under the two groups at different times.

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Dated: August 30, 1996.

Howard Glaser,

Deputy Assistant Secretary for Community Planning and Development.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Fish and Wildlife Service

Notice of Decision and Availability of Two Record of Decision Documents on the Issuance of Permits for Incidental Take of Threatened and Endangered Species

AGENCY: Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of availability.

Record of Decision for the Proposed Issuance of a Section 10(a)(1)(B) Permit for the Incidental Take of Stephens' Kangaroo Rat, Riverside County, California; and Record of Decision for the Proposed Issuance of a Permit to Allow Incidental Take of Threatened and Endangered Species to Plum Creek Timber Company, L.P., for Lands in the I-90 Corridor of King and Kittitas Counties, Washington.

SUMMARY: This notice advises the public that a decision on the applications for permits by the Riverside County Habitat Conservation Agency and Plum Creek Timber Company, L.P. (Plum Creek), pursuant to section 10(a)(1)(B) of the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended, have been made and that the Records of Decision are available.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For the Riverside County Habitat Conservation Agency: Supervisor, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Carlsbad Field Office, 2730 Loker Avenue West, Carlsbad, California 92008, telephone (619) 431-9440, between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. weekdays, and for Plum Creek: Supervisor, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Western Washington Office, 3704 Griffin Lane SE, Suite 102, Olympia, Washington 98501-2192, telephone (360-753-9440).

Individuals wishing copies of the Records of Decision should contact the respective U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service Office.

Riverside County Habitat Conservation Agency Decision

The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service's decision is to adopt the Preferred Alternative and issue a permit authorizing incidental take of Stephens' kangaroo rats to the Riverside County Habitat Conservation Agency based on the Long-Term Habitat Conservation Plan in western Riverside County, as described in the final Environmental Impact Statement/Report. This decision is based on a thorough review of the alternatives and their environmental consequences. By adopting the preferred alternative with its assurances that the mitigation program and enforcement measures be implemented, all practicable means to avoid or minimize harm have been adopted.

Rationale for Decision

Implementation of the Long-Term Habitat Conservation Plan has been selected as the Preferred Alternative based on consideration of a number of environmental and social factors. These factors include: (1) proposed mitigation and minimization measures in the Long-Term Habitat Conservation Plan that would benefit Stephens' kangaroo rats on a regional scale in the core habitat area for the species by establishing seven Core Reserves; (2) the incidental take would occur within western Riverside County, where a viable population of Stephens' kangaroo rats cannot be maintained over the long-term; and (3) the proposed permit would allow incidental take of Stephens' kangaroo rats in areas outside the Core Reserves providing the opportunity for more orderly development and minimizing impacts to the social environment within western Riverside County.

Plum Creek Decision

The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service's decision is to adopt the Preferred Habitat Conservation Plan Alternative, issue a permit authorizing incidental take of listed species and enter into an unlisted species agreement as described in the final Environmental Impact Statement. This decision is based on a thorough review of the alternatives and their environmental consequences. By adopting the preferred alternative with its assurances that the mitigation program and enforcement measures be implemented, all practicable means to avoid or minimize harm have been adopted.

Rationale for Decision

The Proposed Habitat Conservation Plan Alternative, as described in the applicant's Habitat Conservation Plan and analyzed in the final Environmental Impact Statement, provides the most comprehensive package of conservation prescriptions and activities of all of the Alternatives. None of the other alternatives provide as integrated and comprehensive a package of habitat conservation as the Proposed Habitat Conservation Plan Alternative. The Proposed Habitat Conservation Plan Alternative specifically addresses four listed species, two listed species for which incidental take coverage is not currently sought, riparian habitat management which captures the majority of species that might inhabit the plan area, including anadromous salmonids which are the subject of Federal Tribal Trust responsibility. Furthermore, the Proposed Habitat Conservation Plan Alternative provides management goals for 16 Lifeforms and associated species, as well as special habitat management such as caves, talus slopes, wetlands and snags. Only the Proposed Habitat Conservation Plan Alternative addresses talus, caves, wetlands, riparian management, Old Growth and spotted owl nesting, roosting, and foraging habitat, murrelets, owls, grizzly bears, gray wolves, snags, roads and accelerated watershed analysis. No other alternative addresses all of these resource concerns, together, in an integrated way.

Dated: August 28, 1996.

Thomas Dwyer,

Acting Regional Director, Region 1, Portland, Oregon.

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Bureau of Indian Affairs

Indian Gaming; Bureau of Indian Affairs, Interior

ACTION: Notice of approved amendment to Tribal-State compact.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to 25 U.S.C. § 2710, of the Indian Gaming Regulatory Act of 1988 (Pub. L. 100-497), the Secretary of the Interior shall publish, in the Federal Register, notice of approved amendments to Tribal-State Compacts for the purpose of engaging in Class III (casino) gaming on Indian reservations. The Assistant Secretary—Indian Affairs, Department of the Interior, through her delegated authority, has approved Amendment III to the Gaming Compact Between the Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Indian Reservation and the

State of Oregon, which was executed on June 21, 1996.

DATES: September 9, 1996.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: George T. Skibine, Director, Indian Gaming Management Staff, Bureau of Indian Affairs, Washington, D.C. 20240, (202) 219-4068.

Dated: August 23, 1996.

Ada E. Deer,

Assistant Secretary—Indian Affairs.

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National Park Service

Notice of Inventory Completion for Native American Human Remains and Associated Funerary Objects From Bay County, MI, in the Possession of the Michigan State University Museum, Michigan State University, East Lansing, MI

AGENCY: National Park Service

ACTION: Notice

Notice is hereby given in accordance with provisions of the Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act (NAGPRA), 25 U.S.C. 3003(d), of the completion of an inventory of human remains and associated funerary objects in the possession of the Michigan State University Museum, Michigan State University, East Lansing, MI.

A detailed assessment of the human remains was made by Michigan State University Museum professional staff in consultation with representatives of the Saginaw Chippewa Indian Tribe of Michigan.

During 1967-68 and 1970, human remains representing a minimum of 145 individuals were recovered during legally authorized excavations of the Fletcher site by the MSU Museum. Mr. Joseph Fletcher, the owner of the Fletcher site, donated these human remains and associated funerary objects to the MSU Museum during this time. No known individuals were identified. The 65,160 associated funerary objects include glass beads, wampum, silver jewelry, hair ornaments, armbands, animal bones, feathers, cooking utensils, muskets, knives, tomahawks, buttons, woven fabrics, scissors, awls, pipes, tools, tin cones, bells, wood/bark fragments, gorgets, keys, locks, lithics, bottles, leather, projectile points, and fishing spears.

The Fletcher site has been identified as a late 18th century occupation site based on the associated funerary objects and manner of the internments. Historic documents indicate Saginaw Chippewa

settlements in close proximity to this cemetery area during the late 18th century. The location of this site compared to historically documented Saginaw Chippewa village locations, the presence of 18th century village debris in the area, and documented use of this area in the 19th century by the Saginaw Chippewa all indicate cultural affiliation of this cemetery to the Saginaw Chippewa Tribe of Michigan. Oral tradition presented by representatives of the Saginaw Chippewa Indian Tribe indicates this area was a cemetery area used by the band into the historic period.

Based on the above mentioned information, officials of the Michigan State University Museum have determined that, pursuant to 43 CFR 10.2 (d)(1), the human remains listed above represent the physical remains of a minimum of 145 individuals of Native American ancestry. Officials of the Michigan State University Museum have also determined that, pursuant to 25 U.S.C. 3001 (3)(A), the 65,160 objects listed above are reasonably believed to have been placed with or near individual human remains at the time of death or later as part of the death rite or ceremony. Lastly, officials of the Michigan State University Museum have determined that, pursuant to 25 U.S.C. 3001 (2), there is a relationship of shared group identity which can be reasonably traced between these Native American human remains and associated funerary objects and the Saginaw Chippewa Indian Tribe of Michigan.

This notice has been sent to officials of the Saginaw Chippewa Indian Tribe of Michigan. Representatives of any other Indian tribe that believes itself to be culturally affiliated with these human remains and associated funerary objects should contact Dr. William A. Lovis, Curator and Professor of Anthropology, MSU Museum, Michigan State University, East Lansing, MI; telephone: (517) 355-2370, before October 9, 1996. Repatriation of the human remains and associated funerary objects to the Saginaw Chippewa Indian Tribe of Michigan may begin after that date if no additional claimants come forward.

Dated: August 29, 1996

Francis P. McManamon,

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Program.*

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DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Federal Prison Industries, Inc.

Planning, Research and Activation Branch; Agency Information Collection Activities: Proposed Collection; Comment Request

ACTION: Notice of information collection under review; public involvement procedures regarding proposals to produce new products or expand the production of existing products.

Office of Management and Budget (OMB) approval is being sought for the information collection listed above. This proposed information collection was previously published in the Federal Register and allowed 60 days for public comment.

The purpose of this notice is to allow an additional 30 days for public comments from the date listed at the top of this page in the Federal Register. This process is conducted in accordance with 5 Code of Federal Regulations, Part 1320.10.

Written comments and/or suggestions regarding the item(s) contained in this notice, especially regarding the estimated public burden and associated response time, should be directed to the Office of Management and Budget, Office of Regulatory Affairs, Attention: Department of Justice Desk Officer, Washington, DC, 20530. Additionally, comments may be submitted to OMB via facsimile to 202-395-7285. Comments may also be submitted to the United States Department of Justice, Justice Management Division, Information Management and Security Staff, Attention: Department Clearance Officer, Suite 850, Washington Center, 1001 G Street, NW, Washington, D.C. 20530. Additionally, comments can be submitted to DOJ via facsimile to 202-514-1534.

Written comments and suggestions from the public and affected agencies should address one or more of the following points:

(1) Evaluate whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility;

(2) Evaluate the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information,

(3) Enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information to be collected; and

(4) Minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including through the use of appropriate automated,