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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

National Institutes of Health

Clinical Center; Notice of Meeting

Pursuant to section 10(a) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, as amended (5 U.S.C. Appendix 2), notice is hereby given of a meeting of the Board of Governors of the Warren Grant Magnuson Clinical Center.

The meeting will be open to the public, with attendance limited to space available. Individuals who plan to attend and need special assistance, such as sign language interpretation or other reasonable accommodations, should notify the Contact Person listed below in advance of the meeting.

Name of Committee: Board of Governors of the Warren Grant Magnuson Clinical Center, Executive Committee Meeting.

Date: March 22, 1999.

Time: 9:00 am to 12:00 pm.

Agenda: Updates on organizational planning and budget issues.

Place: National Institutes of Health, Clinical Center Medical Board Room, 2C116, 9000 Rockville Pike, Bethesda, MD 20892.

Contact Person: Maureen E. Gormley, Executive Secretary, Warren Grant Magnuson Clinical Center, National Institutes of Health, Building 10, Room 2C146, Bethesda, MD 20892, 301/496-2897.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Fish and Wildlife Service

Notice of Intent to Prepare an Environmental Impact Statement

AGENCIES: Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior, Forest Service, Department of Agriculture; and Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife.

ACTION: Notice of intent to prepare an Environmental Impact Statement.

SUMMARY: This notice advises the public that the Fish and Wildlife Service (Service), and the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife (ODFW) intend to develop an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS). The Forest Service will also cooperate in the development of the EIS. The EIS will consider Federal and State actions associated with an ODFW proposal to restore the recreational fishery at Diamond Lake, Oregon. ODFW has proposed to treat the lake with rotenone, a fish toxicant, to kill all fish present, and to restock the lake with rainbow trout. The associated actions are: (1) The Service granting Federal Aid in Sport Fish Restoration Act Program funding to ODFW for implementing a Diamond Lake recreational fishery restoration program; (2) the Forest Service issuing ODFW a special use permit for access through, and use of, National Forest lands to Diamond Lake for implementing a recreation fishery restoration program; (3) ODFW implementing a Diamond Lake recreational fishery restoration program.

The EIS will also consider any actions by other Federal or State agencies that are necessary or appropriate to implement a trout fishery restoration program. This notice is being furnished pursuant to the Council on Environmental Quality Regulations for Implementing the Procedural Provisions of the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) Regulations (40 CFR 1501.7 and 1508.22) to obtain suggestions and information from other agencies and the public on the scope of issues and alternatives to be considered in preparation of the EIS.

DATES: As an opportunity for interested persons to comment on the issues and alternatives of the EIS, public scoping meetings are scheduled as follows: March 8, Jackson County Public Works Office, 200 Antelope Road, Medford, Oregon, 3:30-7:00 p.m.; March 9, ODFW Regional Office, 4192 N. Umpqua Highway, Roseburg, Oregon, 3:30-7:00 p.m.

ADDRESSES: Comments regarding the scope of the EIS should be addressed to Mr. Jerry F. Novotny, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, 911 N.E. 11th Avenue, Portland, Oregon 97232, 503/231-6128. Comments should be received on or before March 31, 1999, at the above address. Written comments may also be sent by facsimile to 503/231-6996. Comments received will be available for public inspection by appointment during normal business hours (8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday) at the above office; please call for an

appointment. All comments received will become part of the administrative record and may be released.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Contact Jerry F. Novotny at the above address and telephone number. Specific information regarding National Forest lands may be obtained from Liz Stevenson-Shaw, Supervisor's Office, Umpqua National Forest, P.O. Box 1008, Roseburg, Oregon 97470, 541/957-3391. Information concerning ODFW fishery management programs may be obtained from Charlie Corrarino, Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife, 2501 S.W. First, Portland, Oregon 97207, 503/872-5252.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Diamond Lake is located in the Umpqua River basin in Douglas County, Oregon. It is within the Umpqua National Forest and just north of the boundaries of Crater Lake National Park. Diamond Lake is a natural lake situated at an elevation of 5,182 feet in the Cascade mountains. The Lake has a surface area of approximately 2,930 acres and is relatively shallow, with a maximum depth of just over 50 feet. Diamond Lake drains into Lake Creek, which empties into Lemolo Reservoir, an impoundment on the North Umpqua River. Two other impoundments are located downstream from Lemolo Reservoir on the North Umpqua River. The flow of water from Lemolo Reservoir and the other impoundments is regulated by Pacificorp, a public utilities corporation.

The lake is a popular recreation destination; as such, it is important to the economy of southern Oregon. In recent years, the lake's trout fishery has deteriorated due to competition from tui chub (*Gila bicolor*), an illegally introduced species of minnow. Prior to the introduction of the tui chub, Diamond Lake was recognized as a premier recreational trout fishery. Growth of the tui chub population has caused a severe decline in the survival of fingerling rainbow trout and the subsequent growth of the surviving trout. The same chain of events and outcomes occurred in the 1940's and 1950's, resulting in treatment of the lake with rotenone in 1954. Treatment was followed by about 40 years of a very successful trout fishery.

Two bald eagle and 6-12 osprey pairs nest in the vicinity of Diamond Lake and rely heavily on rainbow trout as a food source for both adults and young. The reduced survival and abundance of rainbow trout may have a negative effect on the breeding success of bald eagles and ospreys since tui chub are much smaller, may be less available, and may