

Black Squirrel Creek corridor onsite and its associated riparian areas from all future development through the replanting of 0.215 acre of temporarily disturbed grassland and the protection of an additional 4.3 acres on an existing conservation easement with enhancement of 0.89 acre through native shrub planting. Measures will be taken during construction to minimize impact to the habitat, including the use of silt fencing to reduce the amount of sediment from construction activities that reaches the creek. All of the proposed mitigation area is within the boundaries of the Lefever property, all of which is included in the drainage basin of Black Squirrel Creek.

This notice is provided pursuant to section 10(c) of the Act. We will evaluate the permit application, the EA/HCP, and comments submitted therein to determine whether the application meets the requirements of section 10(a) of the Act. If it is determined that those requirements are met, a permit will be issued for the incidental take of the Preble's in conjunction with the construction and occupation of a single-family residential lot on the Lefever Property. The final permit decision will be made no sooner than 60 days from the date of this notice.

Dated: June 19, 2002.

**John A. Blankenship,**  
Acting Regional Director.

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Fish and Wildlife Service

#### North American Wetlands Conservation Act: Request for Small Grants Proposals for Year 2003

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

**ACTION:** Notice of request for proposals.

**SUMMARY:** The purpose of this notice is to advise the public that we, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Service) and the North American Wetlands Conservation Council (Council), are currently entertaining proposals that request match funding for wetland and wetland-associated upland conservation projects under the Small Grants program. Projects must meet the purposes of the North American Wetlands Conservation Act of 1989, as amended. We will give funding priority to projects from new grant applicants with new partners, where the project ensures long-term conservation benefits. However, previous Act grantees are

eligible to receive funding and can compete successfully on the basis of strong project resource values.

**DATES:** Proposals must be postmarked no later than Friday, November 29, 2002.

**ADDRESSES:** Address proposals to: Division of Bird Habitat Conservation, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, 4401 North Fairfax Drive, Suite 110, Arlington, Virginia 22203, Attn: Small Grants Coordinator.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Dr. Keith A. Morehouse, Small Grants Coordinator, or Office Secretary, Division of Bird Habitat Conservation, 703.358.1784; facsimile 703.358.2282.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The purpose of the 1989 North American Wetlands Conservation Act (NAWCA), as amended (16 U.S.C. 4401 *et seq.*) is, through partnerships, to promote long-term conservation of North American wetland ecosystems and the waterfowl and other migratory birds, fish and wildlife that depend upon such habitats. Principal conservation actions supported by NAWCA are acquisition, enhancement and restoration of wetlands and wetlands-associated uplands habitat.

Initiated in 1996, the underlying objective of the NAWCA-based Small Grants program is to promote long-term wetlands conservation activities through encouraging participation by new grantees and partners who may not otherwise be able to compete in the Standard Grants program. We also hope that successful participants in the Small Grants program will be encouraged to participate as a grantee or partner in the Standard Grants program. Over the first seven years of the Small Grants program, 553 proposals requesting a total of approximately \$19.8 million competed for funding. Ultimately, 164 projects were funded over this period for about \$6.7 million. For 2003, with the approval of the Migratory Bird Conservation Commission, we have made the Small Grants program operational at a base level of \$1.0 million. Between \$1.0 and \$2.0 million in Small Grants projects may be funded. However, ultimately, the level of Small Grant funding depends upon the quality of the pool of grant proposals.

To be considered for funding in the 2003 cycle, proposals must have a grant request no greater than \$50,000. We will accept all wetland conservation proposals that meet the requirements of the Act. However, considering appropriate proposal resource values, we will give funding priority to projects from new grant applicants (individuals or organizations who have never

received a NAWCA grant) with new partners, where the project ensures long-term conservation benefits. This priority system does not preclude former NAWCA grant recipients from receiving Small Grants funding; ultimately, project resource value is the critical factor in deciding which projects receive funding. Also, projects are likely to receive a greater level of attention if they are part of a broader related or unrelated effort to bring or restore wetland or wetland-associated upland conservation values to a particular area or region.

In addition, proposals must represent on-the-ground projects, and any overhead in the project budget must constitute 10 percent or less of the grant amount. The anticipated magnitude of wetlands and wildlife resources benefits that will result from project execution is an important factor in proposal evaluation, and there should be a reasonable balance between acreages of wetlands and wetland-associated uplands. Mitigation-related projects may be precluded from consideration, depending upon the nature of the mitigation.

Please keep in mind that NAWCA and matching funds may be applied only to wetlands acquisition, creation, enhancement, and/or restoration; they may not be applied to signage, displays, trails or other educational features, materials and equipment, even though the goal of the project may ultimately be to support wetland conservation education curricula. Projects oriented toward education are not ordinarily eligible for NAWCA funding because education is not a primary purpose of the Act. However, acceptable project outcomes can include educational benefits resulting from conservation actions. Research is also not a primary purpose of the Act, and research proposals are not considered for funding.

Even though we require less total application information for Small Grants than we do for the Standard Grants program, Small Grant proposals must have clear explanations and meet the basic purposes given above and the 1:1 or greater non-Federal matching requirements of the NAWCA. Small Grants projects must also be consistent with Council-established guidelines, objectives and policies. All non-Federal matching funds and proposed expenditures of grant funds must be consistent with Appendix A of the Small Grants instructions, "Eligibility Requirements for Match of NAWCA Grant and Non-Federal Funds." Applicants must submit a completed Standard Form 424, Application For

Federal Assistance. Hard copies of Small Grant instructions (booklets) are no longer provided, except under special circumstances. However, the NAWCA Program website, <http://birdhabitat.fws.gov>, contains instructions for completing and submitting a Small Grant application, as well as forms and instructions for the Standard Form 424.

Small Grant proposals may be submitted prior to the due date but must be postmarked no later than Friday, November 29, 2002. Address submitted proposals as follows: Division of Bird Habitat Conservation, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, 4401 North Fairfax Drive, Suite 110, Arlington, VA 22203, Attn: Small Grants Coordinator.

Applicants must submit *complete* grant request packages to the Division of Bird Habitat Conservation (DBHC), including *all* of the documentation of partners (partner letters) with funding pledge amounts. Information on funding in partner letters, i.e., amounts and description regarding use, must correspond with budget amounts in the budget table and any figures provided in the narrative.

With the volume of proposals received, we are not usually able to contact proposal sources to verify and/or request supplemental data and/or materials. Thus, those proposals lacking required information or containing conflicting information are subject to being declared ineligible and not further considered for funding.

For more information, call the DBHC office secretary at 703.358.1784, facsimile 703.358.2282, or send e-mail to [R9ARW\\_DBHC@FWS.GOV](mailto:R9ARW_DBHC@FWS.GOV). Small Grant application instructions may be available by E-mail as a WordPerfect® file, upon special request.

In conclusion, we require that, upon arrival in the DBHC, proposal packages must be: complete with regard to the information requested, presented in the format requested, and be presented according to the established deadline.

The Service has submitted information collection requirements to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104-13. On May 26, 1999, OMB gave its approval for this information collection and confirmed the approval number as 1018-0100. An agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number. The information collection solicited: is necessary to gain a benefit in the form of a grant, as determined by the North American Wetlands

Conservation Council and the Migratory Bird Conservation Commission; is necessary to determine the eligibility and relative value of wetland projects; results in an approximate paperwork burden of 80 hours per application; and does not carry a premise of confidentiality. The information collections in this program will not be part of a system of records covered by the Privacy Act (5 U.S.C. 552(a)).

North American Wetlands Conservation Act: Request for Small Grants Proposals for Year 2003.

Dated: June 17, 2002.

**Steve A. Williams,**

*Director, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service.*

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**Russ McFarling,**

*Acting District Manager.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Minerals Management Service

**Agency Information Collection Activities: Submitted for Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Review; Comment Request**

**AGENCY:** Minerals Management Service (MMS), Interior.

**ACTION:** Notice of extension of information collection (1010-0017).

**SUMMARY:** To comply with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA), we are notifying the public that we have submitted to OMB an information collection request (ICR) to renew approval of form MMS-128, Semiannual Well Test Report. This notice also provides the public a second opportunity to comment on the paperwork burden of this reporting requirement.

**DATES:** Submit written comments by August 7, 2002.

**ADDRESSES:** You may submit comments directly to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, OMB, Attention: Desk Officer for the Department of the Interior (1010-0017), 725 17th Street, NW., Washington, DC 20503. Mail or hand-carry a copy of your comments to the Department of the Interior; Minerals Management Service; Attention: Rules Processing Team; Mail Stop 4024; 381 Elden Street; Herndon, Virginia 20170-4817. If you wish to e-mail comments to MMS, the e-mail address is: [rules.comments@MMS.gov](mailto:rules.comments@MMS.gov). Reference Information Collection 1010-0017 in your e-mail subject line. Include your name and return address in your e-mail message and mark your message for return receipt.

#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Alexis London, Rules Processing Team, at (703) 787-1600. You may also contact Alexis London to obtain a copy of the form at no cost.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

*Title:* Form MMS-128, Semiannual Well Test Report.

*OMB Control Number:* 1010-0017.

*Abstract:* The Outer Continental Shelf (OCS) Lands Act (Act), as amended (43 U.S.C. 1331 *et seq.* and 43 U.S.C. 1801 *et seq.*), authorizes the Secretary of the Interior to prescribe rules and regulations to administer leasing of the

## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Bureau of Land Management

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### Upper Snake River District Resource Advisory Council Meeting; Correction, Location and Times

**AGENCY:** Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

**ACTION:** Upper Snake River District Resource Advisory Council Meeting: Correction, Location and Times.

**SUMMARY:** On May 20, 2002, we published the date of the next Upper Snake River District Resource Advisory Council (RAC) Meeting as May 29, 2002 (67 FR 35572). The notice would not have allowed enough time for public participation. The meeting has been rescheduled for July 24, 2002, beginning at 1 p.m.; and July 25, 2002, beginning at 8 a.m. The meeting will be held at the Sun Valley Elkhorn Lodge, 1 Elkhorn Road, in Sun Valley, Idaho.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The RAC meets in accordance with the Federal Land Policy and Management Act and the Federal Advisory Committee Act of 1972 (FACA), 5 U.S.C. All meetings are open to the public. Each formal council meeting has time allocated for hearing public comments, and the public may present written or oral comments. Individuals who plan to attend and need further information about the meetings, or need special assistance such as sign language interpretation or other reasonable accommodations, should contact the address below.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION:** David Howell at the Upper Snake River District Office, 1405 Hollipark Dr., Idaho Falls, ID 83401, or telephone (208) 524-7559.