

separate guidance on the establishment of karst preserves. Additionally, the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department, with the Service as a partner, will include "no take" guidance for these listed invertebrates as part of the species accounts that will be developed as a priority update to the revision of the 1995 Endangered and Threatened Animals of Texas document published by the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department. The Service will incorporate the "no take" guidance into the draft recovery plan for the species, which will be available for public review and comment.

(4) With regard to recommendations for protection of water quality of the Edwards Aquifer, the Service does not intend to issue separate guidance. Instead, the draft Barton Springs Salamander Recovery Plan, which is scheduled to be completed in 2003, will include recommendations for protection of water quality in the Barton Springs Zone.

The Service states that prior versions of the Karst Protocols and Water Quality Recommendations are not rules, regulations, requirements, or project evaluation criteria of the Service and will not be used as such by the Service. The documents that have been used in the past as guidance do not create any legal obligations and have no binding legal effect, nor do they establish minimum standards or criteria required to be adopted by state or local governments. Should at any future time the Service decide that guidance on these subjects, other than as outlined above, is needed, the Service will make the draft guidance available for public review and comment for a period of not less than 60 days. At the conclusion of this period, the Service will determine whether to publish any final guidance documents on these topics and, if so, in what form.

Authority: The authority for this action is the Endangered Species Act, as amended (16 U.S.C.1532 *et seq.*).

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Indian Affairs

Indian Gaming

AGENCY: Bureau of Indian Affairs, Interior.

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

SUMMARY: Under section 11 of the Indian Gaming Regulatory Act of 1988 (IGRA), Pub. L. 100-497, 25 U.S.C. 2710, the Secretary of the Interior shall publish, in the **Federal Register**, notice of the approved Tribal-State compacts for the purpose of engaging in Class III gaming activities on Indian lands. The Assistant Secretary—Indian Affairs, Department of the Interior, through her delegated authority, has approved the Amendment to the Class III gaming compact between the Assiniboine and Sioux Tribes of the Fort Peck Reservation and the State of Montana.

EFFECTIVE DATE: February 27, 2003.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: George T. Skibine, Director, Office of Indian Gaming Management, Bureau of Indian Affairs, Washington, DC 20240, (202) 219-4066.

Dated: February 12, 2003.

Aurene M. Martin,

Acting Assistant Secretary—Indian Affairs.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Indian Affairs

Indian Gaming

AGENCY: Bureau of Indian Affairs, Interior.

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

SUMMARY: Under section 11 of the Indian Gaming Regulatory Act of 1988 (IGRA), Pub. L. 100-497, 25 U.S.C. 2710, the Secretary of the Interior shall publish, in the **Federal Register**, notice of the approved Tribal-State compacts of the purpose of engaging in Class III gaming activities on Indian lands. The Assistant Secretary—Indian Affairs, Department of the Interior, through her delegated authority, has approved the Amendment to the Class III gaming compact between the Confederated Tribes of the Warm Springs Reservation and the State of Oregon.

EFFECTIVE DATE: February 27, 2003.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: George T. Skibine, Director, Office of Indian Gaming Management, Bureau of Indian Affairs, Washington, DC 20240, (202) 219-4066.

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Aurene M. Martin,

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Indian Affairs

Indian Gaming

AGENCY: Bureau of Indian Affairs, Interior.

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

SUMMARY: Under section 11 of the Indian Gaming Regulatory Act of 1988 (IGRA), Pub. L. 100-497, 25 U.S.C. 2710, the Secretary of the Interior shall publish, in the **Federal Register**, notice of the approved Tribal-State compacts for the purpose of engaging in Class III gaming activities on Indian lands. The Assistant Secretary—Indian Affairs, Department of the Interior, through her delegated authority, has approved the Amendment to the Class III gaming compact between the Crow Tribe and the State of Montana.

EFFECTIVE DATE: February 26, 2003.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: George T. Skibine, Director, Office of Indian Gaming Management, Bureau of Indian Affairs, Washington, DC 20240, (202) 219-4066.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

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Draft Northwest National Petroleum Reserve—Alaska Integrated Activity Plan/Environmental Impact Statement

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In response to a request from the interested public the Bureau of Land Management is adding to its schedule one meeting for accepting public comments on the Draft Northwest National Petroleum Reserve—Alaska Integrated Activity Plan/Environmental Impact Statement (IAP/EIS). The meeting location and time will be provided to the public through appropriate media outlets in the Washington, DC area.

DATES: March 13, 2003, 2 p.m. till 5 p.m.

ADDRESSES: Courtyard Marriott, 1600 Rhode Island Avenue, Northwest, Washington, DC.

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