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Authority

This notice is published in accordance with section 1503.1 of the Council on Environmental Quality regulations (40 CFR parts 1500 through 1508) implementing the procedural requirements of the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, as amended (42 U.S.C. 4321 *et seq.*), and the Department of the Interior Manual (516 DM 1-6), and is in the exercise of authority delegated to the Assistant Secretary—Indian Affairs by 209 DM 8.

Dated: October 1, 2003.

Aurene M. Martin,

Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary—Indian Affairs.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Indian Affairs

Notice of Fund Availability (NOFA)

AGENCY: Bureau of Indian Affairs, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of extension of application deadlines.

SUMMARY: This notice extends the deadline for submitting applications originally published on June 25, 2003.

DATES: Applications must be received by November 5, 2003.

ADDRESSES: Mail applications to Ralph Gonzales, Bureau of Indian Affairs, Office of Tribal Services, Division of Tribal Government Services, Room 320-SIB, 1951 Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20240; or submit by facsimile (fax) message to (202) 208-5113.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:
Ralph Gonzales, (202) 513-7629.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: As published in the **Federal Register** of June 25, 2003, (68 FR 37857), the Bureau of Indian Affairs announced the availability of funds for tribal courts (including Courts of Indian Offenses) and qualified tribal applicants that assume responsibility to assist the Bureau of Indian Affairs with certain Supervised Individual Indian Money (IIM) Accounts, more specifically those referenced in subparts B and C of 25 CFR part 115 (2003 ed.). The deadline for submittal of application under this NOFA was July 25, 2003. We are extending this deadline to provide an opportunity for those tribal governments that want to apply for funds to compile the relevant information regarding Supervised IIM Accounts that are under the control and management of the Bureau of Indian Affairs. Requests were received from tribal governments stating that the initial publication time was simply too short. Therefore, the application deadline date is extended from July 25, 2003, to November 5, 2003.

Applications

Applications are due November 5, 2003 and must be postmarked by midnight on this date. Applications will be considered as meeting the deadline if they are received on or before the deadline date, or sent on or before the deadline date. Applicants may hand deliver applications to the address indicated in the **ADDRESSES** section by close-of-business (5 p.m. EST) on the deadline date. Applications will be accepted by facsimile until the close-of-business (5 p.m. EST) on the deadline date, provided the original application is postmarked by midnight the day after the due date. No applications can be transmitted by e-mail (electronic mail). Applicants are responsible for ensuring proper delivery of the application and are encouraged to contact Ralph Gonzales at (202) 513-7629 to confirm receipt.

The application packet information was included with the June 25, 2003, NOFA, and was also forwarded to the Tribal Government Services or Tribal Operations officers in the respective BIA Regional Offices. Interested applicants may contact Ralph Gonzales at the number provided above, or the Division of Tribal Government Services, (202) 513-7641, for information on application packets.

Dated: September 29, 2003.

Aurene M. Martin,

Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary—Indian Affairs.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

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Teleconference Meeting Notice for the John Day/Snake Resource Advisory Council

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management (BLM), Vale District, Interior.

ACTION: Teleconference meeting notice for the John Day/Snake Resource Advisory Council.

SUMMARY: The John Day/Snake Resource Advisory Council (JDSRAC) will conduct a public meeting by teleconference on Tuesday, October 21 from 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. Pacific Time inclusive. The meeting is open to the public, however, teleconference lines are limited. Please call or contact Peggy Diegan at the Vale District Office, 100 Oregon Street, Vale, OR 97918 (541) 473-3144 or e-mail

Peggy_Diegan@or.blm.gov to obtain the dial-in number. During the teleconference, the JDSRAC will come to consensus on their Program of Work for the year, Sustaining Working Landscapes and Sagegrouse Strategy.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Any member of the public wishing further information concerning the meeting or who wishes to submit oral or written comments should contact Debbie Lyons at the above address (541) 473-6218 or email *Debra_Lyons@or.blm.gov*.

Requests for oral comments must be in writing to Debbie Lyons by October 16, 2003. For teleconference call meetings, opportunities for oral comment will be limited to no more than five minutes per speaker and no more than fifteen minutes total.

Dated: September 30, 2003.

Sandra L. Guches,

Associate District Manager.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR**National Park Service****Final Environmental Impact Statement on Vessel Quotas and Operating Requirements for Glacier Bay National Park and Preserve, Alaska**

AGENCIES: National Park Service, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of availability of the Final Environmental Impact Statement on Vessel Quotas and Operating Requirements.

SUMMARY: The National Park Service (NPS) announces the availability of Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) on Vessel Quotas and Operating Requirements for Glacier Bay National Park and Preserve. The document describes and analyzes the environmental impacts of five action alternatives, including a preferred alternative, for managing four types of motorized vessels within Glacier Bay and Dundas Bay. A no action alternative also is evaluated.

DATES: A Record of Decision will be made no sooner than 30 days after the date the Environmental Protection Agency's Notice of Availability for this final EIS appears in the **Federal Register**.

ADDRESSES: Copies of the statement are available on request from: Nancy Swanton, EIS Project Manager, National Park Service, Alaska Support Office, 240 West 5th Avenue, Anchorage, Alaska 99501. Telephone: (907) 644-3696.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Nancy Swanton, EIS Project Manager, National Park Service, Alaska Support Office, 240 West 5th Avenue, Anchorage, Alaska 99501. Telephone: (907) 644-3696.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Pursuant to section 102(2)(C) of the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (Pub. L. 91-190, as amended), the NPS has prepared a final environmental impact statement (FEIS) that considers six alternatives to establish quotas and operating requirements for four types of motorized vessels—cruise ships and tour, charter, and private vessels—within Glacier Bay proper and/or Dundas Bay in Glacier Bay National Park and Preserve.

Glacier Bay National Park and Preserve is located in Southeast Alaska, approximately 65 miles (105 kilometers) west of Juneau. Accessible by boat and airplane, it is a popular destination due to its spectacular scenery, tidewater glaciers, wilderness, and wildlife. Vessel quotas and operating

requirements have been in effect since 1979. The need for the actions considered in this FEIS stems from legislation enacted in 2001, wherein the U.S. Congress directed the Park Service to identify and analyze the possible effects of the 1996 increases in the number of vessel entries issued for Glacier Bay National Park and Preserve and set the maximum level of vessel entries, consistent with the purposes and values of the park. In this EIS, the Park Service is addressing the continuing demand for motorized vessel access into the park in a manner that assures continuing protection of park resources and values, while providing for a range of high-quality opportunities for visitors to the park.

The six alternatives evaluated in this EIS include five action alternatives and a no action alternative. Daily quotas, seasonal entries, seasonal-use days, quota season, and/or operating requirements differ among the alternatives. Alternatives 1, 2, and 3 would set vessel quotas and operating requirements for Glacier Bay proper. Alternatives 4, 5, and 6 would set quotas and operating requirements for Dundas Bay as well.

- *Alternative 1*, the no action alternative, would maintain the current vessel quotas, quota season (June 1 through August 31), and operating requirements (see 36 Code of Federal Regulations 13.65).

Note: the June 1—August 31 quota season applies to charter and private vessels for daily and seasonal quotas and to cruise ships and tour vessels for seasonal quotas. The daily quotas for cruise ships and tour vessels apply year-round.

- *Alternative 2* would set vessel quotas in accordance with those in place in 1995 and maintain the current quota season and operating requirements.

- *Alternative 3* would maintain the current vessel quotas and quota season, with one exception: it would include a provision to increase the seasonal quota for cruise ships to a maximum of two per day every day, based on the results of studies and monitoring. It would maintain the current operating requirements.

- *Alternative 4*, the environmentally preferred alternative, would maintain the current daily quota for cruise ships and decrease the daily vessel quotas for tour, charter, and private vessels in Glacier Bay. Seasonal entry quotas would not apply. This alternative would decrease the number of seasonal use days for cruise ships and tour and charter vessels and increase the number of seasonal use days for private vessels

in Glacier Bay. The quota season would be May 1 through September 30 (note: the year-round daily vessel quota for cruise ships and tour vessels would be maintained). Vessel quotas would be initiated for charter vessels for Dundas Bay during a May 1 through September 30 quota season. Neither cruise ships nor tour vessels would be permitted in Dundas Bay. No quotas would be imposed for private vessels. Operating requirements would be modified.

- *Alternative 5* would maintain the current daily quotas and quota season for all four vessel types in Glacier Bay. Seasonal entry quotas would not apply. It would maintain the number of seasonal-use days for cruise ships, tour vessels, and charter vessels in Glacier Bay during the current June 1 through August 31 quota season, but decrease the number of seasonal-use days for cruise ships during May and September. It would increase the number of seasonal-use days for private vessels during the June through August quota season. Quotas would be initiated for tour and charter vessels in Dundas Bay, and the quota season would June 1 through August 31. Cruise ships would not be permitted in Dundas Bay and tour vessels would not be permitted in the upper bay (wilderness waters) on a year-round basis. No quotas would be imposed for private vessels in Dundas Bay. Operating requirements would be modified.

- *Alternative 6*, the NPS preferred alternative, would maintain the current daily vessel quotas for Glacier Bay. Seasonal entry quotas would not apply. This alternative would maintain the current seasonal use day quota for cruise ships during the current quota season (June—August), but provide for possible increases to a maximum of two ships per day each day, based on the results of studies and monitoring. It would establish a seasonal use day quota for cruise ships for May and September, with a provision to increase the number of seasonal use days to up to two per day each day, based on the results of studies and monitoring. It would maintain the current number of seasonal use days for tour and charter vessels and increase the number of seasonal use days for private vessels during the current quota season. Quotas would be initiated for tour and charter vessels in Dundas Bay, and the quota season would be June 1 through August 31. Cruise ships would not be permitted in Dundas Bay and tour vessels would not be permitted in the upper bay (wilderness waters) on a year-round basis. No quotas would be imposed for private vessels in Dundas Bay.