

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** January 30, 2004.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Magda Ruiz, Recovery Division, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Washington, DC 20472, (202) 646-2705.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Notice is hereby given that the incident period for this disaster is closed effective January 30, 2004.

(The following Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Numbers (CFDA) are to be used for reporting and drawing funds: 97.030, Community Disaster Loans; 97.031, Cora Brown Fund Program; 97.032, Crisis Counseling; 97.033, Disaster Legal Services Program; 97.034, Disaster Unemployment Assistance (DUA); 97.046, Fire Management Assistance; 97.048, Individual and Household Housing; 97.049, Individual and Household Disaster Housing Operations; 97.050 Individual and Household Program-Other Needs, 97.036, Public Assistance Grants; 97.039, Hazard Mitigation Grant Program.)

**Michael D. Brown,**

*Under Secretary, Emergency Preparedness and Response, Department of Homeland Security.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Office of the Secretary

#### Notice of Establishment of the Outer Continental Shelf (OCS) Scientific Committee

**AGENCY:** Minerals Management Service, Interior.

**SUMMARY:** Following consultation with the General Services Administration, notice is hereby given that the Secretary of the Interior has established the OCS Scientific Committee.

The OCS Scientific Committee will provide advice on the feasibility, appropriateness, and scientific value of the Outer Continental Shelf Environmental Studies Program to the Secretary of the Interior through the Director of the Minerals Management Service. The Committee will review the relevance of the research and data being produced to meet MMS scientific information needs for decision making

and may recommend changes in scope, direction, and emphasis.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Jeryne Bryant, Minerals Management Service, Offshore Minerals Management, Herndon, Virginia 20170-4817, telephone, (703) 787-1213.

#### Certification

I hereby certify that the OCS Scientific Committee is in the public interest in connection with the performance of duties imposed on the Department of the Interior by 43 U.S.C. 1331 *et seq.*, 30 U.S.C. 1701 *et. seq.*, and 30 U.S.C. 1001 *et seq.*

Dated: February 3, 2004.

**Gale A. Norton,**

*Secretary of the Interior.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Fish and Wildlife Service

#### Multistate Conservation Grant Program; Priority List for Conservation Projects

**AGENCY:** U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior.

**ACTION:** Notice of receipt of priority list.

**SUMMARY:** The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service is publishing in the **Federal Register** the priority list of 18 wildlife and sport fish conservation projects submitted by the International Association of Fish and Wildlife Agencies for funding under the Multistate Conservation Grant Program. This notice is required by the Wildlife and Sport Fish Restoration Programs Improvement Act of 2000 (Pub. L. 106-408). FY 2004 grants may be made from this priority list.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Pam Matthes, Multistate Conservation Grants Program Coordinator, Division of Federal Assistance, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, 4401 North Fairfax Drive, Mail Stop MBSP-4020, Arlington, Virginia 22203; phone (703) 358-2066; or e-mail [Pam\\_Matthes@fws.gov](mailto:Pam_Matthes@fws.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Wildlife and Sport Fish Restoration Programs Improvement Act of 2000 (Improvement Act) amended the Pittman-Robertson Wildlife Restoration Act (16 U.S.C. 669 *et seq.*) and the Dingell-Johnson Sport Fish Restoration Act (16 U.S.C. 777 *et seq.*) and established the Multistate Conservation Grant Program. The Improvement Act authorizes grants of up to \$3 million annually from funds available under each of the Restoration Acts, for a total of up to \$6 million annually. Grants may be made from a priority list of projects submitted by the International Association of Fish and Wildlife Agencies (IAFWA), which represent the State fish and wildlife agencies. The Director of the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, exercising the authority of the Secretary of the Interior, need not fund all recommended projects, but may not fund projects that are not recommended.

To be eligible for consideration by the IAFWA, a project must benefit fish and/or wildlife conservation in at least 26 States, a majority of the States in a region of the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, or a regional association of State fish and wildlife agencies. Grants may be made to a State or group of States, to non-governmental organizations, and to the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service or a State or group of States for the purpose of carrying out the National Survey of Fishing, Hunting and Wildlife-Associated Recreation. IAFWA requires proposals to address its National Conservation Needs, which are announced annually at the same time as the request for proposals.

The IAFWA prepares the priority list through a committee comprising the heads of State fish and game departments (or their designees) in consultation with non-governmental organizations that represent conservation organizations, sportsmen organizations, and industries that support or promote hunting, trapping, recreational shooting, bow hunting, or archery. The priority list must be approved by majority vote of the heads of State fish and game departments (or their designees).

The priority list of projects submitted by the IAFWA follows:



## IAFWA'S PRIORITY LIST OF PROJECTS FOR THE 2004 MULTISTATE CONSERVATION GRANT PROGRAM—Continued

Proposal ID	Title of proposal	Submitted by	Funds requested										Totals	
			FY 2004		FY 2005		FY 2006		FY 2007		FY 2008			
			PR	WB	PR	WB	PR	WB	PR	WB	PR	WB		
04-041*	State Wildlife Grant Plan Development: National Coordinated Assistance for all 50 States.	IAFWA-Teaming With Wildlife Committee.	\$74,000	24,800	74,400	24,800	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	\$198,400
04-043*	The Conservation Communication Team.	IAFWA-Education, Outreach & Diversity Committee and the Animal Use Issues Committee.	\$30,000	30,000	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	\$60,000
04-046*	Furbearer Management and Regulated Trapping Professional Development Workshops & Communication Planning Sessions for Fish & Wildlife Professionals.	IAFWA-Furbearer Resources Task Force and the Education, Outreach, & Diversity Committee.	\$187,897	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	\$187,897
04-048	Developing State Aquatic Nuisance Species Management Plans & Strategies for the Southeastern United States.	Tennessee Wildlife Resources Agency.	.....	\$77,500	.....	77,500	.....	77,500	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	\$232,500
04-055*	Facilitation & Continuation of the Partnership between the Foundation & our State Partners for the Planning & Implementing of the Hooked On Fishing—Not on Drugs Program.	Future Fisherman Foundation.	.....	\$128,000	.....	172,500	.....	197,000	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	\$497,500
04-035	Project Coordinator for the 2006 National Survey-State-level Data.	USFWS	\$190,452	190,452	172,190	172,190	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	725,284
04-040a	2006 National Survey-Option 6.	USFWS	\$1,357,387	1,357,387	1,357,387	1,357,387	1,357,387	1,357,387	1,357,387	1,357,387	1,357,387	110,454	110,454	\$11,080,004
Totals	.....	.....	\$2,735,330	2,430,915	2,103,870	1,934,727	1,411,387	1,631,887	1,357,387	1,357,387	110,454	110,454	\$15,183,797	

PR=Pittman-Robertson Wildlife Restoration Act.

WB=Wallop Breaux (Dingell-Johnson) Sport Fish Restoration Act.  
 \*Denotes proposal reviewed by more than one IAFWA committee.

Dated: February 4, 2004.

**Steve Williams,**

*Director, Fish and Wildlife Service.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Bureau of Indian Affairs

#### Notice of Additional Public Scoping for the Environmental Impact Statement Underway for the Proposed Cordova Oil Spill Response Facility (Formerly Shepard Point Oil Spill Response Facility and Access Road)

**AGENCY:** Bureau of Indian Affairs, Interior.

**ACTION:** Notice of additional public scoping.

**SUMMARY:** This notice advises the public that the Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) is extending the scoping period to gather information necessary for preparing an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS). The EIS will analyze the proposed enhancement of oil spill response capabilities in southeast Prince William Sound (PWS) by means of constructing a regional oil spill response facility in the Cordova area, and a deepwater dock with road connection to a regional airport.

The purpose of scoping is to obtain suggestions and information from other agencies and the public on the scope of issues to be addressed in the EIS. Comments and participation in this scoping process are encouraged.

**DATES:** The meeting dates are:

1. March 2, 2004, Open House from 5:30 p.m. to 7 p.m., Formal Testimony from 7 to 9 p.m., Anchorage, Alaska. The meeting will be held at the BLM Campbell Tract Facility, 6881 Abbott Loop Road, Anchorage, Alaska.

2. March 4, 2004, Open House from 5:30 p.m. to 7 p.m., Formal Testimony from 7 to 9 p.m., Cordova, Alaska. The meeting will be held at the Mount Eccles Elementary School Cafeteria, 201 Adams Street, Cordova, Alaska.

Meeting times and specific locations will be published in the local papers.

Comments on the proposed project must be postmarked by March 19, 2004.

**ADDRESSES:** Mail written comments to ATTN: Cordova Response Facility EIS, URS Corporation, 2700 Gambell Street, Suite 200, Anchorage, AK, 99507. You may also post comments at the Web site: <http://>

[www.cordovaresponsefacility.com](http://www.cordovaresponsefacility.com), or via e-mail: [cordovar@urscorp.com](mailto:cordovar@urscorp.com).

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Kristin K'eit, Environmental Scientist, (907) 586-7423, or Mark Boatwright, Environmental Protection Specialist, (907) 586-7301, Bureau of Indian Affairs, Alaska Region, PO Box 25520, Juneau, AK 99802-5520.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** In March 1989, the T/V Exxon Valdez went aground on Bligh Reef in Prince William Sound, in south central Alaska, spilling 10.8 million gallons of oil, costing over \$335 million for cleanup and for studies of damages and resource recovery plans. Oil spill response facilities at that time were poorly located with limited capabilities. Consequently, the Oil Pollution Act of 1990 required pre-positioned oil spill containment and removal equipment in communities and other strategic locations within Prince William Sound. Further, on November 25, 1992 a civil lawsuit was settled in the "Agreement and Consent Decree in re: The EXXON VALDEZ" (the Agreement) between the State of Alaska and the U.S. Government, and the Alyeska Pipeline Service Company and the "Alyeska Owner Companies." Under the Agreement, funding was specifically set aside in the Alyeska Settlement Fund (the Fund) for construction of oil spill response storage facilities and docks in three PWS communities: Chenega Bay, Tatitlek and Cordova. Facilities have since been constructed in Tatitlek and Chenega Bay. Funding was appropriated from the Fund through Alaska State Legislation, CCS SB 165, Chapter No. 41, June 1, 1993. A Memorandum of Agreement between the State of Alaska and the BIA specifies that the BIA is responsible for the development of the project, including acting as the Lead Agency for National Environmental Policy Act compliance in connection with the proposed action.

The proposed action is to enhance the oil spill response capabilities in the southeast area of Prince William Sound (PWS) by developing an oil spill response facility in the Cordova area. Proposed project components consist of a deepwater dock with adequate depth for large oil spill response vessels loaded with heavy equipment, a staging area contiguous to the dock for staging oil spill recovery equipment, and an access road or upgrades to the existing transportation system sufficient for linking the facility to the Cordova Airport, a PWS regional airport facility.

This will allow efficient transport of out-of-region supplies and equipment through the Cordova airport to a wide variety of vessels operating in PWS. While economic development is not a direct purpose of the proposed action, the proposed action will have economic and transportation effects that will be assessed in the environmental impact statement.

The first scoping period for this project was initiated in October 2002 under the project title "Shepard Point Oil Spill Response Facility and Access Road." The project is now titled the "Cordova Oil Spill Response Facility Project." The project title was revised to maintain consistency with other descriptions of the project and to accurately reflect that a reasonable range of alternatives will be analyzed in the EIS, in compliance with the National Environmental Policy Act. All public comments received during the October 2002 scoping period will be evaluated with equal consideration as comments received during this extended period.

**Authority:** This notice is published in accordance with section 1501.7, 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 within the exercise of authority delegated to the Assistant Secretary—Indian Affairs by 209 DM 8.1.

Dated: February 4, 2004.

**Dave Anderson,**

*Assistant Secretary—Indian Affairs.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Minerals Management Service

#### Agency Information Collection Activities: Proposed Collection; Comment Request

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

**ACTION:** Notice of extension of an information collection (1010-0086).

**SUMMARY:** To comply with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA), MMS is inviting comments on a collection of information that we will submit to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval. The information collection request (ICR) concerns the paperwork requirements in