

public programs would continue to be administered and maintained by the State. Current habitat and wildlife management practices would be carried out by State Game, Fish, and Parks personnel and levels of public use would remain the same. The facilities and activities (hiking, picnicking, designated camping, fishing and a horse camp) would remain the same.

Alternative B, the Proposed Action (Relinquish Easement to Current Landowners), would take the Refuge out of the National Wildlife Refuge System and transfer the easements to current landowners. Under this Alternative, the habitat, public use, cultural resources and operations would be managed by the landowners (primarily the State). The Service's easement requirements would no longer exist. The Service would divest its interest in the Refuge. This would be carried out within the 15-year life of the Plan. Once the Plan was approved, the managing station would work with the Division of Realty and the Division of Planning to prepare a proposal to divest this Refuge. The proposal would be submitted to the Migratory Bird Conservation Commission for concurrence and then submitted for Congressional approval.

The Service evaluated whether or not to divest the Refuge. After careful consideration of tribal concerns and issues raised by the public, the Preferred Alternative was changed from Alternative B: Proposed Action (Relinquish Easement to Current Landowners) to Alternative A: No Action (Current Management). A large number of comments were received from tribal governments expressing concern regarding divesting this Limited-interest Refuge. While there was recognition that the Service interests are extremely limited, there was overwhelming support for the Service to continue its presence, particularly in light of the National significance of Bear Butte itself (not part of the Refuge). Therefore, the Refuge will continue to be managed according to its 1967 Cooperative Agreement with the State. According to Refuge Planning Policy (May 25, 2000), the Plan and EA should be revised when significant new information becomes available. This should occur every 15 years or sooner, if necessary. It is important to note, that if conditions change, the Service could reconsider actions approved in the Plan. If revisions were considered, full disclosure through extensive public involvement utilizing the requirements of the National Environmental Policy Act and other compliance procedures would be closely followed.

The Service is furnishing this Notice to advise other agencies and the public of the availability of the final Plan and EA, to provide information on the desired conditions for the Refuge, and to detail how the Service will implement management strategies. Based on the review and evaluation of the information contained in the EA, the Regional Director has determined that implementation of the Final Plan does not constitute a major Federal action that would significantly affect the quality of the human environment within the meaning of Section 102(2)(c) of the National Environmental Policy Act. Therefore, an Environmental Impact Statement will not be prepared.

Dated: January 24, 2008.

Gary G. Mowad,

Acting Regional Director.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Fish and Wildlife Service

[FWS-R8-ES-2008-N0008; 80221-1113-0000-F5]

Endangered Species Recovery Permit Applications

AGENCY: Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of receipt of permit applications; request for comment.

SUMMARY: We invite the public to comment on the following applications to conduct certain activities with endangered species.

DATES: Comments on these permit applications must be received on or before March 3, 2008.

ADDRESSES: Written data or comments should be submitted to the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Endangered Species Program Manager, Region 8, 2800 Cottage Way, Room W-2606, Sacramento, CA 95825 (telephone: 916-414-6464; fax: 916-414-6486). Please refer to the respective permit number for each application when submitting comments. All comments received, including names and addresses, will become part of the official administrative record and may be made available to the public.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Daniel Marquez, Fish and Wildlife Biologist, see **ADDRESSES**, (telephone: 760-431-9440; fax: 760-431-9624).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The following applicants have applied for scientific research permits to conduct certain activities with endangered

species pursuant to section 10(a)(1)(A) of the Endangered Species Act (16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*). The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service ("we") solicits review and comment from local, State, and Federal agencies, and the public on the following permit requests. Before including your address, phone number, e-mail address, or other personal identifying information in your comment, you should be aware that your entire comment—including your personal identifying information—may be made publicly available at any time. While you can ask us in your comment to withhold your personal identifying information from public review, we cannot guarantee that we will be able to do so.

Permit No. TE-085026

Applicant: Jeff Steinman, San Juan Capistrano, California

The applicant requests an amendment to take (locate and monitor nests) the least Bell's vireo (*Vireo bellii pusillus*) in conjunction with surveys and population monitoring throughout the range of the species in California, for the purpose of enhancing its survival.

Permit No. TE-172629

Applicant: Kirsten Sellheim, Davis, California

The applicant requests an amendment to take (capture, collect, and kill) the Conservancy fairy shrimp (*Branchinecta conservatio*), the longhorn fairy shrimp (*Branchinecta longiantenna*), and the vernal pool tadpole shrimp (*Lepidurus packardii*) in conjunction with research and genetic analysis in Lassen, Plumas, Mendocino, Lake Colusa, Sacramento, Napa, Alameda, Merced, Stanislaus, Fresno, Solano, San Luis Obispo, and Santa Barbara Counties, California, and in Jackson County, Oregon, for the purpose of enhancing their survival.

Permit No. TE-035879

Applicant: Wildlands Incorporated, Rocklin, California

The permittee requests an amendment to take (harass by survey, capture, handle, and release) the California tiger salamander (*Ambystoma californiense*) in conjunction with surveys throughout the range of the species in California, for the purpose of enhancing its survival.

Permit No. TE-809232

Applicant: Bio-West, Incorporated, Logan, Utah

The applicant requests an amendment to remove/reduce to possession *Nitrophila mohavensis* (Amargosa nitrophila) from Federal lands in conjunction with research in Nye

County, Nevada, for the purpose of enhancing its survival.

We solicit public review and comment on each of these recovery permit applications. Comments and materials we receive will be available for public inspection, by appointment, during normal business hours at the address listed in the **ADDRESSES** section of this notice.

Dated: January 24, 2008.

Michael Fris,

*Acting Regional Director, Region 8,
Sacramento, California.*

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

U.S. Geological Survey

Scientific Earthquake Studies Advisory Committee

AGENCY: U.S. Geological Survey.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to Public Law 106-503, the Scientific Earthquake Studies Advisory Committee (SESAC) will hold its 17th meeting. The meeting location is the U.S. Geological Survey, John Wesley Powell National Center, Room 1B215, 12201 Sunrise Valley Drive, Reston, Virginia 20192. The Committee is comprised of members from academia, industry, and State government. The Committee shall advise the Director of the U.S. Geological Survey (USGS) on matters relating to the USGS's participation in the National Earthquake Hazards Reduction Program.

The Committee will receive updates and provide guidance on Earthquake Hazards Program activities and the status of teams supported by the Program.

Meetings of the Scientific Earthquake Studies Advisory Committee are open to the public.

DATES: February 19, 2008, commencing at 8:30 a.m. and adjourning at 5 p.m.

Contact: Dr. David Applegate, U.S. Geological Survey, MS 905, 12201 Sunrise Valley Drive, Reston, Virginia 20192, (703) 648-6714, applegate@usgs.gov.

Dated: January 24, 2008.

Peter Lyttle,

Acting Associate Director for Geology.

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INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION

[Investigation No. 731-TA-747 (Second Review)]

Fresh Tomatoes From Mexico

AGENCY: United States International Trade Commission.

ACTION: Termination of five-year review and resumption of antidumping investigation.

SUMMARY: The subject five-year review was instituted on November 1, 2007, to determine whether termination of the suspended investigation on fresh tomatoes from Mexico would be likely to lead to continuation or recurrence of material injury (72 FR 61903, November 1, 2007). On November 26, 2007, Mexican tomato growers/exporters accounting for a significant percentage of all fresh tomatoes imported into the United States from Mexico provided written notice to the Department of Commerce of their withdrawal from the agreement suspending the antidumping investigation on fresh tomatoes from Mexico. Effective January 18, 2008, the Department of Commerce terminated the suspension agreement, terminated the five-year review of the suspended investigation, and resumed the antidumping investigation on fresh tomatoes from Mexico because the suspension agreement no longer covered substantially all imports of fresh tomatoes from Mexico (73 FR 2887, January 16, 2008). Accordingly, the U.S. International Trade Commission gives notice of the termination of its review and the resumption of its antidumping investigation involving imports of fresh tomatoes from Mexico. A schedule for the final phase of the investigation will be established and announced at a later date.

DATES: *Effective Date:* January 18, 2008.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mary Messer (202-205-3193), Office of Investigations, U.S. International Trade Commission, 500 E Street, SW., Washington, DC 20436. Hearing-impaired individuals are advised that information on this matter can be obtained by contacting the Commission's TDD terminal on 202-205-1810. Persons with mobility impairments who will need special assistance in gaining access to the Commission should contact the Office of the Secretary at 202-205-2000. General information concerning the Commission may also be obtained by accessing its Internet server (<http://www.usitc.gov>).

Authority: This review is being terminated and the resumed antidumping investigation is being conducted under authority of title VII of the Tariff Act of 1930; this notice is published pursuant to sections 207.40 and 207.21 of the Commission's rules (19 CFR 207.40 and 207.21).

Issued: January 28, 2008.

By order of the Commission.

Marilyn R. Abbott,

Secretary to the Commission.

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INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION

[Investigation Nos. 701-TA-413 and 731-TA-913-916 and 918 (Review)]

Stainless Steel Bar From France, Germany, Italy, Korea, and The United Kingdom

Determinations

On the basis of the record¹ developed in the subject five-year reviews, the United States International Trade Commission (Commission) determines, pursuant to section 751(c) of the Tariff Act of 1930 (19 U.S.C. 1675(c)), that revocation of the countervailing duty and antidumping duty orders on stainless steel bar from France, Germany, Italy, Korea, and the United Kingdom would not be likely to lead to continuation or recurrence of material injury to an industry in the United States within a reasonably foreseeable time.²

Background

The Commission instituted these reviews effective February 1, 2007 (72 FR 4293) and determined on May 7, 2007 that it would conduct full reviews (72 FR 28071, May 18, 2007). Notice of the scheduling of the Commission's reviews and of a public hearing to be held in connection therewith was given by posting copies of the notice in the Office of the Secretary, U.S. International Trade Commission, Washington, DC, and by publishing the notice in the **Federal Register** on June 26, 2007 (72 FR 35066). The hearing was held in Washington, DC, on November 6, 2007, and all persons who requested the opportunity were permitted to appear in person or by counsel.

The Commission transmitted its determinations in these reviews to the Secretary of Commerce on January 25,

¹ The record is defined in sec. 207.2(f) of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (19 CFR 207.2(f)).

² Commissioner Charlotte R. Lane dissenting, Commissioner Dean A. Pinkert dissenting as to Germany, Italy, and Korea.