

management would be the same as under Alternative B.

Comments on the Draft CCP

Comments on the draft CCP/EA for Tetlin Refuge were solicited by the Service from October 3, 2007, through January 18, 2008. During the public review and comment period the Service held public meetings in Fairbanks, Northway, Tanacross, Tetlin, and Tok. The planning team reviewed, analyzed, and summarized all comments received at the public meetings and in writing. We received a number of comments which supported plans for additional recreational opportunities and facilities, additional access to the Refuge, and that all-terrain vehicle use be restricted. Support was expressed for use of natural fire management regimes, restricted use of prescribed fire, and use of aggressive fire control only in or near intensive use areas and around private inholdings. Several comments were made regarding management of fish and wildlife populations-related specifically to invasive species, non-native species, predator control, and trophy fisheries.

Selected Alternative—Alternative B

Under the selected alternative, refuge lands would remain in their present management categories—about 564,300 acres (82.7 percent) in Minimal management, 116,600 acres (17.1 percent) in Moderate management, and 1,700 acres (less than one percent) in Intensive management. Along with the actions described under Alternative A, the Refuge would pursue additional management actions under Alternative B. The Refuge would work with the local community to seek formal recognition of Tok as a “Gateway Community” and to increase opportunities for environmental education, interpretation, and recreation off-Refuge and in support of or in conjunction with refuge programs. Opportunities for current and new public use would be promoted (canoe routes established and public outreach would encourage use of administrative cabins); additional public use facilities would be constructed, upgraded, or established (additional hiking trails and primitive campsites at Seaton Roadhouse and sanitary facilities-in conjunction with the Alaska Department of Transportation—at highway pullouts). The Refuge would upgrade or establish additional access (to promote day-use near the Alaska Highway, to increase season of use at Lakeview and Deadman Lake campgrounds, and to provide additional backcountry opportunities); and additional signing (for interpretive pullouts and

undeveloped trailheads and access points). There would continue to be no use of all-terrain vehicles authorized on the refuge.

The Refuge would continue to protect resources and property using a variety of fire management techniques including prescribed burning, suppression, thinning, and wildland fire use. The use of natural fire would be emphasized with prescribed burns based only on specific project objectives (e.g. fuels reduction, habitat protection, or fire effects research) and suppression to reduce potential for large-scale wildfires and to maintain long-term ecological health of refuge lands. Natural fire would be the primary tool to maintain and enhance habitat. Native fisheries would be managed to maintain self-sustaining, healthy populations to contribute to the natural diversity in the Upper Tanana Valley; any new reintroduction plans will be based on historic distribution.

Dated: October 10, 2008.

Thomas O. Melius,

Regional Director, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Anchorage, Alaska.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Fish and Wildlife Service

[FWS-R9-EA-2008-N0266]

Sport Fishing and Boating Partnership Council

AGENCY: Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: We, Fish and Wildlife Service, announce a public meeting of the Sport Fishing and Boating Partnership Council (Council).

DATES: The meeting will be held on Friday, November 7, 2008, from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. (Eastern Time). Members of the public wishing to participate in the meeting must notify Douglas Hobbs by close of business on Friday, October 24, 2008, per instructions under **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION**.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at the Hotel Monaco Alexandria, in the Athens Room, 480 King Street, Alexandria, VA; telephone (703) 549-6080.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Douglas Hobbs, Council Coordinator, 4401 North Fairfax Drive, Mailstop 3103-AEA, Arlington, VA 22203; telephone (703) 358-2336; fax (703)

358-2548; or via e-mail at doug_hobbs@fws.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: In accordance with the requirements of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, 5 U.S.C. App., we announce that the Sport Fishing and Boating Partnership Council will hold a meeting on Friday, November 7, 2008.

The Council was formed in January 1993 to advise the Secretary of the Interior, through the Director, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, on nationally significant recreational fishing, boating, and aquatic resource conservation issues. The Council represents the interests of the public and private sectors of the sport fishing, boating, and conservation communities and is organized to enhance partnerships among industry, constituency groups, and government. The 18-member Council, appointed by the Secretary of the Interior, includes the Director of the Service and the president of the Association of Fish and Wildlife Agencies, who both serve in ex officio capacities. Other Council members are Directors from State agencies responsible for managing recreational fish and wildlife resources and individuals who represent the interests of saltwater and freshwater recreational fishing, recreational boating, the recreational fishing and boating industries, recreational fisheries resource conservation, Native American tribes, aquatic resource outreach and education, and tourism. Background information on the Council is available at <http://www.fws.gov/sfbpc>.

The Council will convene to consider:

(1) The Council's continuing role in providing input to the Fish and Wildlife Service on the Service's strategic plan for its Fisheries Program; (2) the Council's work in addressing the issue of boating and fishing access; (3) methods for communicating programmatic issues of interest to incoming Department and Service personnel; (4) the Council's work to assess the Sport Fish Restoration Boating Access Program; (5) information pertaining to Sport Fish Restoration and Boating Trust Fund; (6) the Council's role in providing the Secretary with information about the implementation of the Strategic Plan for the National Outreach and Communications Program, authorized by the 1998 Sportfishing and Boating Safety Act, that is now being implemented by the Recreational Boating and Fishing Foundation, a private, nonprofit organization; and (7) other Council business. The final agenda will be

posted on the Internet at <http://www.fws.gov/sfbpc>.

Procedures for Public Input:

Interested members of the public may submit relevant written or oral information for the Council to consider during the public meeting. Questions from the public will not be considered during this period. Speakers who wish to expand upon their oral statements or those who had wished to speak but could not be accommodated on the agenda are invited to submit written statements to the Council.

Individuals or groups requesting an oral presentation at the public Council meeting will be limited to 2 minutes per speaker, with no more than a total of 30 minutes for all speakers. Interested parties should contact Douglas Hobbs, Council Coordinator, in writing (preferably via e-mail), by Friday, October 17, 2008, (see **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**) to be placed on the public speaker list for this meeting. Written statements must be received by Friday, October 24, 2008, so that the information may be made available to the Council for their consideration prior to this meeting. Written statements must be supplied to the Council Coordinator in both of the following formats: One hard copy with original signature, and one electronic copy via e-mail (acceptable file format: Adobe Acrobat PDF, WordPerfect, MS Word, MS PowerPoint, or Rich Text files in IBM-PC/Windows 98/2000/XP format).

In order to attend this meeting, you must register by close of business Friday, October 24, 2008. Please submit your name, time of arrival, e-mail address and phone number to Douglas Hobbs. Mr. Hobbs' e-mail address is doug_hobbs@fws.gov, and his phone number is (703) 358-2336.

Summary minutes of the conference will be maintained by the Council Coordinator at 4401 N. Fairfax Drive, MS-3103-AEA, Arlington, VA 22203, and will be available for public inspection during regular business hours within 30 days following the meeting. Personal copies may be purchased for the cost of duplication.

Dated: October 2, 2008.

Kenneth Stansell,

Acting Director.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Indian Affairs

Indian Gaming

AGENCY: Bureau of Indian Affairs, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of Tribal-State Class III Gaming Amendment taking effect.

SUMMARY: This publishes notice of an Amendment to a Compact between the Pokagon Band of Potawatomi Indians and the State of Michigan providing for the conduct of Tribal-State Class III gaming by the Pokagon Band of Potawatomi Indians taking effect.

DATES: *Effective Date:* October 23, 2008.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Paula L. Hart, Acting Director, Office of Indian Gaming, Office of the Deputy Assistant Secretary—Policy and Economic Development, Washington, DC 20240, (202) 219-4066.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Under Section 11 of the Indian Gaming Regulatory Act of 1988 (IGRA), Public Law 100-497, 25 U.S.C. 2710, the Secretary of the Interior shall publish in the **Federal Register** notice of approved Tribal-State compacts for the purpose of engaging in Class III gaming activities on Indian lands. This Amendment is entered into in connection with a unique set of circumstances resulting in our decision to neither approve nor disapprove the Amendment within the 45-day statutory time frame. This Amendment is in effect but only to the extent that it complies with the provisions of the Indian Gaming Regulatory Act.

Dated: October 14, 2008.

George T. Skibine,

Acting Deputy Assistant Secretary for Policy and Economic Development.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

[NV-952-09-1420-BJ, 14X1109]

Filing of Plats of Survey; Nevada

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The purpose of this notice is to inform the public and interested State and local government officials of the filing of Plats of Survey in Nevada.

DATES: *Effective Dates:* Filing is effective at 10 a.m. on the dates indicated below.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: David D. Morlan, Chief, Branch of

Geographic Sciences, Bureau of Land Management (BLM), Nevada State Office, 1340 Financial Blvd., P.O. Box 12000, Reno, NV 89520, 775-861-6541.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

1. The Plat of Survey of the following described lands was officially filed at the Nevada State Office, Reno, Nevada, on July 31, 2008:

The plat, in eleven sheets, representing the dependent resurvey of a portion of the south boundary, a portion of the subdivisional lines, a portion of the Northern Line of the Sutro Tunnel Grant and portions of certain mineral surveys, and the subdivision of sections 20, 27 and 28, Township 17 North, Range 21 East, Mount Diablo Meridian, Nevada, under Group No. 736, was accepted July 29, 2008.

This survey was executed to meet certain administrative needs of the Bureau of Land Management.

2. The Plat of Survey of the following described lands was officially filed at the Nevada State Office, Reno, Nevada, on September 5, 2008.

The plat, in five sheets, representing the dependent resurvey of portions of the south, east and north boundaries, a portion of the subdivisional lines and a portion of the subdivision-of-section lines of section 5, the subdivision of sections 2, 3, 4, 11, 12 and 13, the further subdivision of section 5, and a metes-and-bounds survey in section 5, Township 14 North, Range 27 East, Mount Diablo Meridian, Nevada, under Group No. 837, was accepted September 3, 2008.

This survey was executed to meet certain administrative needs of the Bureau of Indian Affairs.

3. The Plat of Survey of the following described lands was officially filed at the Nevada State Office, Reno, Nevada, on September 26, 2008.

The plat representing the dependent resurvey of a portion of the Fifth Standard Parallel South, on the south boundary of Township 20 South, through a portion of Range 62 East; and the dependent resurvey of a portion of the subdivisional lines and a portion of the subdivision-of-section lines of section 2, the further subdivision of section 2, and metes-and-bounds surveys in section 2, Township 21 South, Range 62 East, Mount Diablo Meridian, Nevada, under Group No. 843, was accepted September 25, 2008.

This survey was executed to meet certain administrative needs of the Bureau of Land Management.

4. The Plat of Survey of the following described lands was officially filed at the Nevada State Office, Reno, Nevada, on September 30, 2008.