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**Mary Ellen Callahan,**

Chief Privacy Officer, Department of  
Homeland Security.

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## DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

[Docket No. FR-5280-N-14]

### Federal Property Suitable as Facilities To Assist the Homeless

**AGENCY:** Office of the Assistant  
Secretary for Community Planning and  
Development, HUD.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** This Notice identifies  
unutilized, underutilized, excess, and  
surplus Federal property reviewed by  
HUD for suitability for possible use to  
assist the homeless.

**DATES:** *Effective Date:* April 17, 2009.

#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Kathy Ezzell, Department of Housing  
and Urban Development, 451 Seventh  
Street SW., Room 7262, Washington, DC  
20410; telephone (202) 708-1234; TTY  
number for the hearing- and speech-  
impaired (202) 708-2565, (these  
telephone numbers are not toll-free), or  
call the toll-free Title V information line  
at 800-927-7588.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

In accordance with the December 12, 1988  
court order in *National Coalition for the  
Homeless v. Veterans Administration*,  
No. 88-2503-OG (D.D.C.), HUD  
publishes a Notice, on a weekly basis,  
identifying unutilized, underutilized,  
excess and surplus Federal buildings  
and real property that HUD has  
reviewed for suitability for use to assist  
the homeless. Today's Notice is for the  
purpose of announcing that no  
additional properties have been  
determined suitable or unsuitable this  
week.

Dated: April 9, 2009.

**Mark R. Johnston,**

Deputy Assistant Secretary for Special Needs.  
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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Fish and Wildlife Service

[FWS-R1-ES-2008-N0208; 10120-1113-  
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### Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plants; Revised Recovery Plan for the 'Alala (*Corvus hawaiiensis*)

**AGENCY:** Fish and Wildlife Service,  
Interior.

**ACTION:** Notice of document availability:  
revised recovery plan.

**SUMMARY:** We, the U.S. Fish and  
Wildlife Service, announce the  
availability of the Revised Recovery  
Plan for the Hawaiian crow or 'Alala  
(*Corvus hawaiiensis*). This species,  
found only on the island of Hawai'i, was  
Federally listed as endangered in 1967.

**ADDRESSES:** Copies of the recovery plan  
are available by request from the U.S.  
Fish and Wildlife Service, Pacific  
Islands Fish and Wildlife Office, 300  
Ala Moana Boulevard, Room 3-122, Box  
50088, Honolulu, HI 96850 (phone:  
(808) 792-9400). An electronic copy of  
the recovery plan is also available at  
[http://endangered.fws.gov/recovery/  
index.html#plans](http://endangered.fws.gov/recovery/index.html#plans). Printed copies of the  
recovery plan will be available for  
distribution 4 to 6 weeks after the  
publication date of this notice.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Jeff  
Burgett, Fish and Wildlife Biologist, at  
the above Pacific Islands Fish and  
Wildlife Office address and phone.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

##### Background

Recovery of endangered or threatened  
animals and plants is a primary goal of  
the Endangered Species Act (Act) (16  
U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*) and our endangered  
species program. Recovery means  
improvement of the status of listed  
species to the point at which listing is  
no longer required under the criteria in  
section 4(a)(1) of the Act.

The Act requires the development of  
recovery plans for endangered or  
threatened species unless such a plan  
would not promote the conservation of  
the species. Recovery plans help guide  
the recovery effort by describing actions  
considered necessary for the  
conservation of the species, and  
estimating time and cost for  
implementing the measures needed for  
recovery. We originally completed a  
recovery plan for the 'Alala in 1982, but  
the recommendations contained in that  
plan are outdated given the species'  
current status.

Section 4(f) of the Act requires that  
we provide public notice and an

opportunity for public review and  
comment during recovery plan  
development. In fulfillment of this  
requirement, we made the draft revised  
recovery plan for the 'Alala (*Corvus  
hawaiiensis*) available for public  
comment from December 18, 2003  
through February 20, 2004 (December  
18, 2003, 68 FR 70527; December 22,  
2003, 68 FR 71128). As we prepared this  
final revised recovery plan, we  
considered information provided during  
the public comment period. We also  
summarized this information in an  
appendix to the plan.

The 'Alala or Hawaiian crow has been  
federally listed as endangered since  
1967 (35 FR 16047) and is also listed as  
endangered by the State of Hawai'i. The  
'Alala is endemic to the island of  
Hawai'i. 'Alala were last observed in the  
wild in 2002, and we now believe the  
species to be extirpated from the wild.  
In January 2008, there were 56 'Alala,  
representing the entire known  
population of the species, in captivity at  
the Keauhou and Maui Bird  
Conservation Centers, on Hawai'i and  
Maui islands, respectively.

Historically, the 'Alala was restricted  
to the dry and mesic forests in the  
western and southern portions of the  
island of Hawai'i. The species is  
associated with 'ohi'a-koa (*Metrosideros  
polymorpha*) and 'ohi'a-koa-koa (*Acacia  
koa*) forests with an understory of native  
fruit-bearing trees and shrubs. Current  
threats include predation by nonnative  
mammals and the endangered 'Io or  
Hawaiian hawk (*Buteo solitarius*),  
introduced diseases, and habitat loss  
and fragmentation. Inbreeding  
depression may be reducing the  
reproductive success of the captive  
population, and loss of wild behaviors  
in captivity might reduce survivorship  
of captive-raised birds released into the  
wild. Recovery actions in this revised  
plan are designed to address threats to  
the 'Alala to achieve the recovery  
objectives of downlisting to threatened  
status and then eventually delisting  
(removing from the list of endangered  
and threatened species).

Because the 'Alala exists only as a  
small population in captivity, the  
revised recovery plan emphasizes  
recovery actions for the next 5 years as  
well as presenting an overall strategy for  
long-term recovery. Given that recovery  
will be based on releases of captive-bred  
'Alala to the wild, and much of the data  
necessary to determine the population  
size and parameters needed for recovery  
of the species do not exist at this time,  
it is only possible to establish general  
recovery criteria. We will consider the  
'Alala to be recovered when the genetic  
diversity that was present in the 'Alala

population in 2003 has been preserved to the maximum extent possible, the population as a whole is demographically stable, two or more subpopulations exist in the wild, persistence of wild subpopulations does not require additions from a captive flock, and peer-reviewed population models yield a probability of extinction of less than 5 percent within 100 years. Recovery will also require that threats to the species within suitable habitat have been managed so that 'Alala subpopulations in the wild are growing or stable in landscapes that include areas managed for native biodiversity.

The following recovery actions address key threats to the species as well as the funding and public support necessary to recover the 'Alala. First, we and our partners must manage the population of 'Alala, including both captive and future reintroduced birds, to minimize loss of genetic diversity. Second, we must identify and manage suitable habitat to reduce or remove threats, including disease and predators, and we must halt additional habitat loss or degradation and, if possible, reverse them. Third, we must establish new populations in managed suitable habitat. Fourth, we must garner public involvement and support to facilitate captive propagation of 'Alala and other recovery activities, including habitat management and 'Alala reintroduction. Fifth, the recovery program must use focused research and an adaptive management strategy to increase the effectiveness of captive propagation, release methods, and habitat management, and to minimize the time to recovery. Some of these recovery actions are ongoing or were initiated prior to the publication of this revised plan.

**Authority:** The authority for this action is section 4(f) of the Endangered Species Act, 16 U.S.C. 1533(f).

Dated: February 17, 2009.

**David J. Wesley,**

*Regional Director, Region 1, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Fish and Wildlife Service

[FWS-R3-ES-2009-N0083]; [30120-1113-0000-F6]

### Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plants; Permit Applications

**AGENCY:** Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.

**ACTION:** Notice of availability of permit applications; request for comments.

**SUMMARY:** We, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, invite the public to comment on the following applications to conduct certain activities with endangered species. With some exceptions, the Endangered Species Act (Act) prohibits activities with endangered and threatened species unless a Federal permit allows such activity. The Act requires that we invite public comment before issuing these permits.

**DATES:** We must receive any written comments on or before May 18, 2009.

**ADDRESSES:** Send written comments by electronic mail to [permitsR3ES@fws.gov](mailto:permitsR3ES@fws.gov) or by U.S. mail to the Regional Director, Attn: Peter Fasbender, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Ecological Services, 1 Federal Drive, Fort Snelling, MN 55111-4056.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Peter Fasbender, (612) 713-5343.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

#### Background

We invite public comment on the following permit applications for certain activities with endangered species authorized by section 10(a)(1)(A) of the Act (16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*) and our regulations governing the taking of endangered species in the Code of Federal Regulations at 50 CFR part 17. Submit your written data, comments, or request for a copy of the complete application to one of the addresses shown in **ADDRESSES**. When submitting comments, please refer to the appropriate permit application number.

#### Permit Applications

*Permit Application Number:* TE212393.  
*Applicant:* Kenneth Mierzwa, Eureka, California.

The applicant requests a permit to take (capture and release) Hines' emerald dragonfly (*Somatochlora hineana*) adults and larvae in Will County, Illinois, for the purpose of population monitoring and recovery of the species. Proposed activities are for the purpose of enhancement of survival of the species in the wild.

*Permit Application Number:* TE212417.  
*Applicant:* Central Lake Superior Land Conservancy, Marquette, Michigan.

The applicant requests a permit to take (harass, salvage) piping plover (*Charadrius melodus*) along the Great Lakes shoreline in the proximity of Grand Marais and Gulliver, Michigan. Take is in the form of nest monitoring and protection activities and abandoned egg salvage for the purpose of

cooperating with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service on captive breeding and release. Proposed activities are aimed at enhancement of the survival of the species in the wild.

*Permit Application Number:* TE212423.  
*Applicant:* Jessica Brzyski, Cincinnati, Ohio.

The applicant requests a permit renewal to take (collect) federally threatened Virginia Spirea (*Spirea virginiana*) on Federal lands in Kentucky, West Virginia, and Tennessee. Proposed collection of leaf tissue and seeds for recovery research is for the enhancement of propagation and survival of the species in the wild.

*Permit Application Number:* TE212420.  
*Applicant:* John Vucetich, Houghton, Michigan.

The applicant requests a permit renewal to take (capture and release; salvage) gray wolf (*Canis lupus*) within Isle Royale National Park, Michigan, for recovery research aimed at enhancement of the survival of the species in the wild.

*Permit Application Number:* TE212425.  
*Applicant:* Ecology & Environment, Inc., Lancaster, New York.

The applicant requests a permit to take (capture and release) the American burying beetle (*Nicrophorus americanus*) throughout the range of the species (Rhode Island, Oklahoma, Arkansas, Nebraska, and Ohio) to document presence or absence of the species. Activities are proposed to enable wind energy project proponents to avoid impacts to the species in the interest of enhancing survival of the species in the wild.

*Permit Application Number:* TE212427.  
*Applicant:* Ecology & Environment, Inc., Lancaster, New York.

The applicant requests a permit to take (capture and release) Indiana bats (*Myotis sodalis*), gray bats (*Myotis grisescens*) and Ozark big-eared bat (*Corynorhinus townsendii ingens*) throughout Ohio, Missouri, Arkansas, Oklahoma, Indiana, and Illinois. The activities proposed under this permit application include presence or absence surveys, studies to document habitat use, population monitoring, and evaluation of potential impacts of proposed projects. Activities are proposed for enhancement of the survival of the species in the wild.

*Permit Application Number:* TE212430.  
*Applicant:* Dr. Francesca Cuthbert, University of Minnesota, St. Paul, Minnesota.

The applicant requests a permit renewal to take piping plover in Michigan and Wisconsin. The research entails capture and marking of piping plovers, erecting nesting enclosures to