the refuge is conducted by the U.S. Geological Survey through the Patuxent Wildlife Research Center.

With land surrounding the Patuxent and Little Patuxent Rivers between Washington, DC, and Baltimore, Maryland, the refuge has grown from the original 2,670 acres to its present size of 12,841 acres, and encompasses land formerly managed by the Departments of Agriculture and Defense. Refuge habitats consist of forested floodplain and mixed hardwood uplands, managed impoundments, fields, and shrublands. The impressive breadth of research that has occurred over the years includes projects involving issues such as environmental contaminants, captive propagation of endangered species, including the whooping crane, and bird population monitoring techniques. The refuge is home to the National Wildlife Visitor Center, a first-class facility for environmental education, interpretation, and scientific information exchange. There are over 24 miles of hiking trails on the refuge, and a variety of opportunities for hunting, fishing, and wildlife observation year-round.

Scoping: Preliminary Issues, Concerns, and Opportunities

The planning team has identified some preliminary issues, concerns, and opportunities to address in the CCP. We list below the categories for issues we have preliminarily identified. During public scoping, we expect additional issues may be raised.

(1) Ecoregional or ecosystem-wide issues, such as climate change, land conservation, and protection of water quality throughout the watershed;

(2) Biological program issues, such as habitat and species management, protection, restoration, monitoring, inventories, and research;

(3) Public-use program issues, such as the breadth and quality of programs, public access, user conflicts, and use impacts on natural resources;

(4) Infrastructure and staffing issues, such as appropriateness of facilities, safety, accessibility, and additional staffing needs;

(5) Community relations and outreach issues and opportunities, such as tourism, and local economic impacts; and

(6) Coordination and communication issues and opportunities with other Service programs and the U.S. Geological Survey.

Public Meetings

We will give the public an opportunity to provide input at public meetings. You can obtain the schedule from the planning team leader or project leader (see ADDRESSES). You may also send comments anytime during the planning process by mail, electronic mail, or facsimile (see ADDRESSES). There will be additional opportunities to provide public input once we have prepared a draft CCP.

Public Availability of Comments

Before including your address, phone number, electronic mail address, or other personal identifying information in your comments, 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.

Wendi Weber,
Acting Regional Director, Northeast Region, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service.

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Brenda Tapia
Program Analyst, Branch of Permits, Division of Management Authority

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Indian Affairs

Proclaiming Certain Lands as an Addition to the Confederated Tribes of the Chehalis Reservation, Washington

AGENCY: Bureau of Indian Affairs, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of reservation proclamation.

SUMMARY: This notice informs the public that the Assistant Secretary—Indian Affairs proclaimed approximately 213.73 acres, more or less, to be added to the Chehalis Indian Reservation, Washington.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ben Burshia, Bureau of Indian Affairs, Division of Real Estate Services, Mail Stop: 4639–MIB, 1849 C Street, NW., Washington, DC 20240, telephone (202) 208–7737.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This notice is published in the exercise of authority delegated by the Secretary of the Interior to the Assistant Secretary—Indian Affairs by part 209 of the Departmental Manual.

A proclamation was issued according with section 7 of the Act of June 18, 1934 (48 Stat. 986; 25 U.S.C. 467), for the lands described below. The land was proclaimed to be an addition to and part of the Chehalis Indian Reservation for the exclusive use of Indians on that reservation who are entitled to reside at the reservation by enrollment or tribal membership.

Confederated Tribes of the Chehalis Indian Reservation
Grays Harbor County, State of Washington

130–T1168

Parcel A

The East 670 feet of that portion of the Northeast Quarter of the Southeast Quarter of Section 34, Township 16 North, Range 4 West of the Willamette Meridian, lying Southerly of the Southerly margin of State Road No. 9 (now State Road No. 12); AND the South Half of the Southeast Quarter, Section 34, Township 16 North, Range 4 West of the Willamette Meridian;

Except County Road;

And Except that portion deeded to State of Washington by Warranty Deed dated March 13, 1985, recorded April 22, 1985, under Auditor’s File No. 850422081, records of Grays Harbor County;


Containing 86.01 acres more or less.

Parcel B

All that portion of the East 2/3rds of the Northwest Quarter of the Southeast Quarter of Section 34, Township 16 North, Range 4 West of the Willamette Meridian lying Southerly of State (U.S.) Highway No. 12, situated in the County of Grays Harbor, Washington.

Containing 11.10 acres more or less.

130–T1183

That portion of the abandoned Union Pacific Railroad, in varying width, over and across the following property;

Government Lots 5, 6, 7 and 8, Section 10, Township 15 North, Range 4 West of the Willamette Meridian;

Government Lots 1, 2 and 3; The Northeast Quarter of the Northwest Quarter, Section 9, Township 15 North, Range 4 West of the Willamette Meridian;

Government Lots 7 and 8, Section 4, Township 15 North, Range 4 West of the Willamette Meridian;

Government Lots 8 and 9, Section 5, Township 15 North, Range 4 West of the Willamette Meridian, situated in the County of Grays Harbor, Washington.

Containing 37.81 acres, more or less.

130–T1184

The Northeast Quarter of the Southeast Quarter of Section 34, Township 16 North, Range 4 West of the Willamette Meridian, lying South of State Highway No. 9 (now State Highway No. 12);

Except the East 670 feet thereof;

And Except that portion conveyed to the State of Washington by Warranty Deed recorded February 11, 1985, under Auditor’s File No. 850211040, situated in the County of Grays Harbor, Washington.

Containing 7.05 acres, more or less.

130–T1185

Lot 8, Block 11, Brewer’s Addition to the Town of Oakville, as per plat recorded in Volume 1 of Plats, page 191;

Also Lot 8, Plat of Line Addition to Oakville, as per plat recorded in Volume 4 of Plats, page 3, records of Grays Harbor County;

Also the West 1/2 of Third Street North of Oak Street adjacent to Lot 8, Block 11, Brewer’s Addition to Oakville;

Also the East 1/2 of Third Street North of Oak Street adjacent to Lot 5, Block 12, Brewer’s Addition to Oakville;

All situated in the County of Grays Harbor, Washington.

Containing 0.44 acre, more or less.