

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

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The responsible official for this final EIS is the Regional Director, Southeast Region, National Park Service, 100 Alabama Street, SW., 1924 Building, Atlanta, Georgia 30303.

Dated: August 16, 2010.

**Gordon Wissinger,**

*Acting Regional Director, Southeast Region.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR****National Park Service**

**Final Environmental Impact Statement; Prisoners Harbor Wetland Restoration, Santa Cruz Island, Channel Islands National Park, Santa Barbara County, CA; Notice of Approval of Record of Decision**

*Summary:* Pursuant to § 102(2)(C) of the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (Pub. L. 91-190, as amended) and the regulations promulgated by the Council on Environmental Quality (40 CFR 1505.2), the Department of the Interior, National Park Service (NPS) has prepared and approved a Record of Decision for the *Final Environmental Impact Statement* for restoration of approximately 3 acres of coastal wetland on Santa Cruz Island, Channel Islands National Park. The requisite no-action "wait period" was initiated April 16, 2010, with the Environmental Protection Agency's **Federal Register** notification of the filing of the Final EIS.

*Decision:* As soon as practical the NPS will begin to implement restoration of palustrine wetlands and deepwater habitat at Prisoners Harbor, as well as remove a berm constricting natural flows in lower Canada del Puerto Creek, in order to reconnect the creek to its floodplain. Other project elements include removing cattle corrals and relocating a scale house to its pre-1960s location, removing eucalyptus and controlling other non-native species, and protecting archeological resources. This alternative was identified and analyzed as the agency-preferred *Alternative B* in the Final EIS (and includes no substantive modifications to the course of action which was described in the Draft EIS). The full range of foreseeable environmental consequences were assessed, and appropriate mitigation measures (developed in consultation with Tribal representatives and other agencies) are

included in the approved plan. Both a No Action alternative and one additional "action" alternative (*Alternative C*, which would have restored approximately a third less wetland habitat) were also identified and analyzed. As documented in the Draft and Final EIS, the selected alternative was deemed to be the "environmentally preferred" course of action.

*Copies:* Interested parties desiring to review the Record of Decision may obtain a copy by contacting the Superintendent, Channel Islands National Park, 1901 Spinnaker Drive, Ventura, CA 93001 or via telephone request at (805) 658-5700.

Dated: July 13, 2010.

**Patricia L. Neubacher,**

*Acting Regional Director, Pacific West Region.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR****National Park Service**

**National Park System Advisory Board; Meeting**

**AGENCY:** National Park Service, Interior.

**ACTION:** Notice of meeting.

**SUMMARY:** Notice is hereby given in accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act, 5 U.S.C. Appendix, that the National Park System Advisory Board will meet September 15-16, 2010, in Washington, DC. The Board will have an orientation session on the morning of September 15, and in the afternoon will tour park sites in the National Capital Region. On September 16, the Board will convene its business meeting from 8:30 a.m., to 4 p.m.

**DATES:** September 15-16, 2010.

*Location:* The Dupont Hotel, meeting room Glover Park A, 1500 New Hampshire Avenue, NW.; Washington, DC 20036; 202-448-3848.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** For further information concerning the National Park System Advisory Board or to request to address the Board, contact Ms. Shirley Sears Smith, Office of Policy, National Park Service, 1201 I Street, NW., 12th Floor, Washington, DC 20005; telephone 202-354-3955; e-mail [Shirley\\_S\\_Smith@nps.gov](mailto:Shirley_S_Smith@nps.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** On September 15, the Board will convene from 8:30 a.m. to 1:15 p.m., for an orientation session for Board members, followed by a tour of national park sites of the National Capital Region. The Board will convene its business meeting

on September 16, at 8:30 a.m., and adjourn at 4 p.m. During the course of the two days, the Board expects to be addressed by Secretary of the Interior Ken Salazar and National Park Service Director Jonathan Jarvis, and will be briefed by park officials on matters including education, science, funding, and public engagement. Other officials of the Department of the Interior and the National Park Service may address the Board, and other miscellaneous topics and reports may be covered.

The Board meeting will be open to the public. The order of the agenda may be changed, if necessary, to accommodate travel schedules or for other reasons. Space and facilities to accommodate the public are limited and attendees will be accommodated on a first-come basis. Anyone may file with the Board a written statement concerning matters to be discussed. The Board also will permit attendees to address the Board, but may restrict the length of the presentations, as necessary to allow the Board to complete its agenda within the allotted time. Before including your address, telephone 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.

Draft minutes of the meeting will be available for public inspection about 12 weeks after the meeting, at 1201 I Street, NW., Washington, DC 20005.

Dated: August 25, 2010.

**Bernard Fagan,**

*Chief, Office of Policy.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR****National Park Service**

**Rim of the Valley Corridor Special Resource Study, Los Angeles and Ventura Counties, CA; Notice of Scoping**

*Summary:* Notice is hereby given in accordance with provisions of the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (Pub. L. 91-190) and the Council on Environmental Quality's implementing regulations (40 CFR 1502.9(c)) that public scoping has been initiated for a conservation planning and environmental impact analysis

process to identify and assess potential impacts of alternative resource protection and other considerations within the Rim of the Valley Corridor Special Resource Study area in Los Angeles and Ventura counties of California. The purpose of the scoping process is to elicit early public comment regarding issues and concerns, alternatives, and the nature and extent of potential environmental impacts (and as appropriate, mitigation measures) which should be addressed.

*Background:* As authorized by the Consolidated Natural Resources Act of 2008 (Pub. L. 110–229–May 2008), the National Park Service (NPS) is conducting a special resource study of the area known as the Rim of the Valley Corridor, generally including the mountains encircling the San Fernando, La Crescenta, Santa Clarita, Simi, and Conejo Valleys in California. The study area also includes the majority of the existing Santa Monica Mountains National Recreation Area. The study will explore many issues including: Protection of wildlife habitat and linkages between open space areas; completion of the Rim of the Valley Trail system; preserving recreational opportunities and facilitating access to recreation for a variety of users; protection of rare, threatened or endangered species and rare or unusual plant communities and habitats; and identifying the needs of communities within and around the study area.

In conducting the Rim of the Valley Corridor Special Resource Study, the NPS will evaluate the national significance of the area's natural and cultural resources. The NPS will also assess the area's suitability and feasibility to be a unit of the National Park System. Factors which the NPS study team will evaluate include: Whether the study area includes types or quality of resources not already adequately represented in the National Park System; whether long-term protection and public use of the area are feasible; and whether the area can be adequately protected and administered at a reasonable cost. The recommendations of the NPS may vary for different portions of the study area.

The authorizing statute directs the NPS to determine the suitability and feasibility of designating all or a portion of the corridor as a unit of the Santa Monica Mountains National Recreation Area. It also directs the NPS to determine the methods and means for the protection and interpretation of this corridor by the NPS, other Federal, State, or local government entities or private or non-profit organizations.

The NPS will also consider: Alternative strategies for management, protection and use of significant resources within the overall study area, including management by other public agencies or the private sector; technical or financial assistance available from established programs or special initiatives and partnerships; alternative designations other than a national park, or as an expansion unit of Santa Monica Mountains National Recreation Area; and cooperative management by NPS and other entities.

*Public Engagement:* During the study process, a range of alternatives will be developed in consultation with Federal, State and local governments and interested members of the public, groups, and organizations. The NPS will conduct an environmental review of the alternatives and potential consequences of resource protection considerations as part of the Rim of the Valley Corridor Special Resource Study. At this time, it has not been determined whether an Environmental Assessment or an Environmental Impact Statement will be prepared, however, this scoping process will aid in the preparation of either document. The public will have several opportunities to comment and participate throughout the study process. Additionally, the public will be afforded the opportunity to review and comment on the ensuing environmental document following its release. For initial scoping and alternatives development, the most useful comments are those that provide the NPS with assistance in identifying issues and concerns which should be addressed, or providing important information germane to this study. All responses to this Notice will also be used to establish a mailing list of interested persons, organizations, and agencies that desire to receive further information as the environmental document is developed.

The public scoping period for the Rim of the Valley Corridor Special Resource Study will conclude—and all comments must be postmarked or transmitted no later than—October 29, 2010. Interested individuals, organizations, and agencies wishing to provide written comments on issues or concerns should respond to: National Park Service, Rim of the Valley Corridor Special Resource Study, 570 West Avenue 26, Suite 175, Los Angeles, CA 90065. Comments may also be transmitted through the study's Web site listed below.

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.

At this time the following scoping meetings (public workshops) have been scheduled: September 14 in Chatsworth, September 15 in Los Angeles, September 21 in Santa Clarita, September 22 in Thousand Oaks, October 4 in Calabasas, October 5 in Tujunga, and October 6 in Altadena. Complete details of dates, times and locations of the meetings will be posted on the project Web site (noted below). Complete information will also be conveyed to local and regional press media, and will be advertised in a newsletter which will be distributed to stakeholders and interested parties.

Information updates about the study process and opportunities for the public to participate will be distributed via direct mailings, regional and local news media and the Rim of the Valley Corridor Special Resource Study Web site (<http://www.nps.gov/pwro/rimofthevalley>). The study team may also be contacted via e-mail at [pwr\\_rimofthevalley@nps.gov](mailto:pwr_rimofthevalley@nps.gov).

*Further Information:* Availability of the forthcoming draft environmental document for review and written comment will be announced by local and regional news media, the above listed Web site, and direct mailing. At this time the draft environmental review document is anticipated to be available for public review and comment in 2013 and the draft and final report to Congress available in 2014. Comments on the draft document will be fully considered and responded to as appropriate in the final document. The official responsible for the initial recommendation will be the Regional Director, Pacific West Region, National Park Service. The official responsible for amending or ratifying the recommendation and transmitting the final document to the Secretary of the Interior will be the Director of the National Park Service. The final document will identify the alternative that, in the professional judgment of the Director of the National Park Service, is the most effective and efficient method for protecting significant resources and providing for public enjoyment. The Secretary of the Interior subsequently will forward the completed study along with a recommendation regarding the Secretary's preferred management option for the area to Congress for their consideration. It is anticipated that the final study report will be available in 2014.

Dated: July 30, 2010.

**George J. Turnbull,**

*Acting Regional Director, Pacific West Region.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Fish and Wildlife Service

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#### Receipt of Applications for Permit

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

**ACTION:** Notice of receipt of applications for permit.

**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, marine mammals, or both. With some exceptions, the Endangered Species Act (ESA) and Marine Mammal Protection Act (MMPA) prohibits activities with listed species unless a Federal permit is issued that allows such activities. Both laws requires that we invite public comment before issuing these permits.

**DATES:** We must receive requests for documents or comments on or before September 29, 2010. We must receive requests for marine mammal permit public hearings, in writing, at the address shown in the **ADDRESSES** section by September 29, 2010.

**ADDRESSES:** Brenda Tapia, Division of Management Authority, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, 4401 North Fairfax Drive, Room 212, Arlington, VA 22203; fax (703) 358-2280; or e-mail [DMAFR@fws.gov](mailto:DMAFR@fws.gov).

#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Brenda Tapia, (703) 358-2104 (telephone); (703) 358-2280 (fax); [DMAFR@fws.gov](mailto:DMAFR@fws.gov) (e-mail).

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

##### I. Public Comment Procedures

##### A. How Do I Request Copies of Applications or Comment on Submitted Applications?

Send your request for copies of applications or comments and materials concerning any of the applications to the contact listed under **ADDRESSES**. Please include the **Federal Register** notice publication date, the PRT-number, and the name of the applicant in your request or submission. We will not consider requests or comments sent to an e-mail or address not listed under **ADDRESSES**. If you provide an email

address in your request for copies of applications, we will attempt to respond to your request electronically.

Please make your requests or comments as specific as possible. Please confine your comments to issues for which we seek comments in this notice, and explain the basis for your comments. Include sufficient information with your comments to allow us to authenticate any scientific or commercial data you include.

The comments and recommendations that will be most useful and likely to influence agency decisions are: (1) Those supported by quantitative information or studies; and (2) Those that include citations to, and analyses of, the applicable laws and regulations. We will not consider or include in our administrative record comments we receive after the close of the comment period (see **DATES**) or comments delivered to an address other than those listed above (see **ADDRESSES**).

##### B. May I Review Comments Submitted by Others?

Comments, including names and street addresses of respondents, will be available for public review at the address listed under **ADDRESSES**. The public may review documents and other information applicants have sent in support of the application unless our allowing viewing would violate the Privacy Act or Freedom of Information Act. 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.

##### II. Background

To help us carry out our conservation responsibilities for affected species, the Endangered Species Act of 1973, section 10(a)(1)(A), as amended (16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*), and our regulations in the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) at 50 CFR 17, the Marine Mammal Protection Act of 1972, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1361 *et seq.*), and our [Doc the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) at 50 CFR 18 require that we invite public comment before final action on these permit applications. Under the MMPA, you may request a hearing on any MMPA application received. If you request a hearing, give specific reasons why a hearing would be appropriate. The

holding of such a hearing is at the discretion of the Service Director.

##### III. Permit Applications

##### Endangered Species

**Applicant: Knoxville Zoological Gardens, Knoxville, TN; PRT-19934A**

The applicant requests a permit to export two captive-hatched Chinese alligators (*Alligator sinensis*) to Africam, S.A. Puebla, Mexico, for the purpose of enhancement of the survival of the species.

**Applicant: Rocky Mountain Wildlife Conservation Center, Keenesburg, CO; PRT-18346A**

The applicant requests a permit to import seven captive-born tigers (*Panthera tigris*) from Canada and Mexico, for the purpose of enhancement of the survival of the species.

##### Multiple Applicants

The following applicants each request a permit to import the sport-hunted trophy of one male bontebok (*Damaliscus pygargus pygargus*) culled from a captive herd maintained under the management program of the Republic of South Africa, for the purpose of enhancement of the survival of the species.

**Applicant: Gus Boniello, Golden Bridge, NY; PRT-19933A**

**Applicant: Frank DeGennaro, Monroe, NY; PRT-19931A**

**Applicant: Anthony Casola, Bronx, NY; PRT-19930A**

The following applicant requests a permit to re-export a sport-hunted trophy of one male bontebok (*Damaliscus pygargus pygargus*) culled from a captive herd maintained under the management program of the Republic of South Africa, for the purpose of enhancement of the survival of the species.

**Applicant: Roberto Delgado, Garza Garcia, NL MX; PRT-19421A**

##### Endangered Marine Mammals and Marine Mammals

**Applicant: Dr. Iskande Larkin, University of Florida, Gainesville, FL; PRT-038448**

The applicant requests amendment and renewal of the permit to take wild and captive-held Florida manatees (*Trichechus manatus*) for the purpose of scientific research. This notification covers activities to be conducted by the applicant over a 5-year period.