Applicant: U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Ecological Services Field Office, Twin Cities, MN.

The applicant requests a permit amendment to add snuffbox, spectaclecase, and sheenpaw mussels to existing Fish and Wildlife Permit Number TE206778. Proposed activities would occur within Minnesota and Wisconsin for the enhancement of propagation and survival of the species in the wild.

Permit Application Number: TE71834A.

Applicant: Robert J. Welch, Waupaca Biological Field Station, Waupaca, WI.

The applicant requests a permit to take (capture and release) snuffbox mussels within Wisconsin for the enhancement of survival of the species in the wild.

Permit Application Number: TE02360A.

Applicant: Sydney Morgan, Charleston, WV.

The applicant requests a permit renewal to take (capture and release) Indiana bats, gray bats, and Virginia big-eared bats throughout the States of Alabama, Arkansas, Connecticut, Delaware, Georgia, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kentucky, Maryland, Massachusetts, Michigan, Mississippi, Missouri, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, North Carolina, Ohio, Oklahoma, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, South Carolina, Tennessee, Texas, Vermont, Virginia, West Virginia, and Wisconsin. Proposed activities are for the enhancement of survival of the species in the wild.

Public Comments

We seek public review and comments on these permit applications. Please refer to the permit number when you submit comments. Comments and materials we receive are available for public inspection, by appointment, during normal business hours at the address shown in the ADDRESSES section. Before including your address, phone number, email 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.

Dated: April 12, 2012.

Sean Marzan,
Acting Assistant Regional Director, Ecological Services, Region 3.

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The Draft EIS Analyzes 12 Alternatives


The Draft EIS analyzes the direct, indirect, and cumulative impacts of the Proposed Action and alternatives to the affected resources identified by the BLM and the public during project scoping.

The BLM published a Notice of Intent (NOI) to prepare an EIS on September 15, 2011, in the Federal Register Volume 76, Number 179. Publication of the NOI began a 30-day scoping period, which ended on October 17, 2011. The BLM provided a Web site with project information that also described the various methods of providing public comment on the project, including an email address for the BLM to receive scoping comments electronically.

Notifications for public scoping meetings were posted on the BLM’s Web site. Additionally, notices were sent to all landowners within 300 feet of the project boundary and to other interested parties during the week of September 19, 2011.

Public Scoping Meetings were held on October 3, 2011, at the University of Riverside Palm Desert Graduate Center and at the Lake Tamarisk Clubhouse. An additional public scoping meeting was held on October 6, 2011, at the Joshua Tree Community Center. Attendees were documented through a voluntary sign-in sheet, and included 6 attendees at the University of Riverside Palm Desert Graduate Center along with KMIR TV; 30 attendees at the Lake Tamarisk Clubhouse; and 7 attendees at the Joshua Tree Community Center. A court reporter documented the questions and public comments made at the three scoping meetings.

Attendees included residents from Desert Center and Lake Tamarisk, federal and state agency representatives, nearby business owners, Tribes, Chamber of Commerce members, and an environmental group representative.

Twelve comment letters were received within the scoping period. Comments received at the public meetings and through the submitted letters identified the following issues and concerns to be considered when developing the EIS: the BLM’s purpose and need, monitoring, decommissioning, public participation, biological resources, climate change, air resources, fire and fuels management, lands and realty, recreation, social and economic resources, environmental justice, water resources, solid and hazardous wastes, visual resources, cumulative impacts, and alternatives development.

The BLM considered these comments in developing the Draft EIS and Draft CDCA Plan Amendment.

The BLM used an updated inventory of wilderness characteristics to determine that none of the project area has wilderness characteristics. This information was used in the preparation of the Draft EIS and Draft CDCA Plan Amendment.

Please note that public comments and information submitted including names, street addresses, and email addresses of persons who submit comments will be available for public review and disclosure at the above address during regular business hours (8 a.m. to 4 p.m.), Monday through Friday, except holidays.

Before including your address, phone number, email 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.

Authority: 40 CFR 1506.6, 506.10, and 43 CFR 1610.2

Thomas Pogacnik,
Deputy State Director.
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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

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Notice of Filing of Plats of Survey; Alaska

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of filing of plat of survey.

SUMMARY: The plat and field notes representing the dependent resurvey of U.S. Survey No. 4385, Alaska, has been accepted by the Chief Cadastral Surveyor for Alaska. This notice provides an opportunity for the public to comment on the proposed action. This survey is located along Mentasta Lake Road, approximately 1 1/2 miles northeasterly of the village of Mentasta, within Tps. 13 and 14 N., R. 3 E., Copper River Meridian, Alaska.

DATES: The plat of survey described above is scheduled to be officially filed in the Alaska State Office, Bureau of Land Management, Anchorage, Alaska, May 18, 2012. Protests of the survey must be filed before May 18, 2012 to be considered.

ADDRESSES: Bureau of Land Management, Alaska State Office; 222 W. 7th Ave., Stop 13; Anchorage, AK 99513–7599.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Michael H. Schoder, Chief Cadastral Surveyor, Division of Cadastral Survey, BLM–Alaska State Office; 222 W. 7th Ave., Stop 13; Anchorage, AK 99513–7599; Tel: 907–271–5481; fax: 907–271–4549; email: mschoder@blm.gov. Persons who use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD) may call the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) at 1–800–877–8339 to contact the above individual during normal business hours. The FIRS is available 24 hours a day, seven days a week, to leave a message or question with the above individual. You will receive a reply during normal business hours.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The survey plat and field notes will be available for inspection in the Public Information Center, Alaska State Office, Bureau of Land Management, 222 West 7th Avenue, Anchorage, Alaska 99513–7599; telephone (907) 271–5960. Copies