SUMMARY: The City of Phoenix (Applicant) has applied to the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Service) for an enhancement of survival permit (TE75475A–0) pursuant to the Endangered Species Act (Act), as amended. The requested permit, which is for a period of 50 years, would authorize incidental take of Yuma clapper rail (Rallus longirostris yumanensis) and southwestern willow flycatcher (Empidonax traillii extimus) as a result of operation and maintenance activities associated with the Tres Rios Project, and a potential return to baseline conditions. We invite the public to review and comment on the permit application and the associated draft Safe Harbor Agreement (SHA).

DATES: Comment Period: To ensure consideration of your written comments, they must be received on or before close of business (4:30 p.m. CST) August 9, 2012.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments or requests for copies or more information by any of the following methods. You may request hard copies or a CD-ROM of the documents.
- Email: Mike.Martinez@fws.gov
- Fax: Attn: Field Supervisor, 602–242–2513

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
Fish and Wildlife Service

Draft Safe Harbor Agreement and Application for an Enhancement of Survival Permit for the Tres Rios Project

AGENCY: Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of availability; receipt of application.

DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

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[Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance No. 97.022, "Flood Insurance.")

Sandra K. Knight,

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DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

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SUMMARY: On February 14, 2012, HUD posted a Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA) “Transformation Initiative: Natural Experiments Research Grant Program,” on Grants.gov. The close date of the NOFA was March 29, 2012, at 11:59 p.m. A total of 6 applications were received. None of the applications met the requirements contained in the Notice of Funding Availability. Therefore, HUD is cancelling this funding opportunity.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For questions concerning the NOFA please contact Mark Shroder at Mark.D.Shroder@hud.gov or 202–402–5922. This number is not toll-free. Persons with hearing or speech impairments may access this number via TTY by calling the Federal Relay Service at 800–877–8339.

Dated: June 28, 2012.
Erika C. Poethig,
Acting Assistant Secretary for Policy Development and Research.

DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

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In-Person Drop-off, Viewing, or Pickup: Call 602–242–0210 to make an appointment (necessary for view/pickup only) during regular business hours at the above address.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:
Mike Martinez, at the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, by mail at the address under ADDRESSES, by phone at 602–242–0210 x224, or by email at Mike_Martinez@fws.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:
Under a Safe Harbor Agreement, participating property owners voluntarily undertake management activities to enhance, restore, or maintain habitat benefiting species listed under the Act (16 U.S.C. 1531 et seq.). Safe Harbor Agreements encourage private and other non-Federal property owners to implement conservation efforts for listed species by assuring property owners, through enhancement of survival permits under section 10(a)(1)(A) of the Act, that they will not be subjected to increased property use restrictions as a result of increased target species abundance due to their efforts to improve conditions for listed species on their property. Application requirements and issuance criteria for enhancement of survival permits through Safe Harbor Agreements are found in 50 CFR 17.22 and 17.32.

The Applicant plans to conduct operation and maintenance activities associated with the Tres Rios Project, including, but not limited to, management of vegetation, roads, trails, water delivery systems, flood control capacity, and storm water facilities. The Tres Rios Project is a cooperative project between the Applicant and the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers to enhance and maintain 927 acres of Sonoran Desert and riparian biotic communities within and adjacent to the Salt River Channel from approximately 91st Avenue to the confluence with the Gila River, and within the Gila River Channel, from approximately the confluence with the Salt River to El Mirage Road, Phoenix, Arizona. The project area also includes the Hayfield Wetlands to the east.

The draft SHA and permit application are eligible for categorical exclusion under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, as amended (42 U.S.C. 4371 et seq.; NEPA), based upon completion of a NEPA screening form. Section 9 of the Act prohibits the “taking” of threatened or endangered species. However, the Service, under limited circumstances, may issue permits to take threatened and endangered wildlife species when such taking is incidental to, and not the purpose of, otherwise lawful activities. We provide this notice under section 10(c) of the Act (16 U.S.C. 1531 et seq.) and its implementing regulations (50 CFR 17.22), and NEPA and its implementing regulations (40 CFR 1506.6).

Public Availability of Comments
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.

Authorities
We provide this notice pursuant to section 10(c) of the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1531 et seq.), its implementing regulations (50 CFR 17.22), and the National Environmental Policy Act (42 CFR 4371 et seq.).

Dated: June 4, 2012.

Benjamin N. Tuggle,
Regional Director, Southwest Region, Albuquerque, New Mexico.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
Bureau of Land Management
[LLWY922000–L13200000–EL0000, WYW180996]

Notice of Invitation To Participate; Coal Exploration License Application WYW180996, Wyoming

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.
ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to the Mineral Leasing Act of 1920, as amended by the Federal Coal Leasing Amendments Act of 1976, and to Bureau of Land Management (BLM) regulations, all interested parties are hereby invited to participate with Kiewit Mining Properties, Inc., on a pro rata cost-sharing basis, in its program for the exploration of coal deposits owned by the United States of America in Campbell County, Wyoming.

DATES: This notice of invitation was published in the Gillette News-Record on each week for 2 consecutive weeks beginning the week of June 11, 2012, and in the Federal Register. Any party electing to participate in this exploration program must send written notice to both the BLM and Kiewit Mining Properties, Inc., as provided in the ADDRESSES section below, no later than 30 days after publication of this invitation in the Federal Register.

ADDRESSES: Copies of the exploration plan are available for review during normal business hours in the following offices (serialized under number WYW180996): BLM, Wyoming State Office, 5353 Yellowstone Road, P.O. Box 1828, Cheyenne, Wyoming 82030; and BLM, High Plains District Office, 2987 Prospect Circle, Casper, Wyoming 82604. The written notice should be sent to the following addresses: Kiewit Mining Properties, Inc., Attn: Vince Mazzarella, P.O. Box 3027, Gillette, Wyoming 82717, and the BLM, Wyoming State Office, Branch of Solid Minerals, Attn: Joyce Gulliver, P.O. Box 1828, Cheyenne, Wyoming 82030.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:
Joyce Gulliver, Land Law Examiner, at 307–775–6208. 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, 7 days a week, to leave a message or question with the above individual. You will receive a reply during normal business hours.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Kiewit Mining Properties, Inc., has applied to the BLM for a coal exploration license on public land adjacent to their Buckskin Mine. The purpose of the exploration program is to obtain structural and quality information of the coal. The BLM regulations at 43 CFR 3410 require the publication of an invitation to participate in the coal exploration in the Federal Register. The Federal coal resources included in the exploration license application are located in the following-described lands in Wyoming:

Sixth Principal Meridian
T. 52 N., R. 72 W.,
Sec. 7, lots 5 to 20, inclusive;
Sec. 8, lots 3 to 5, inclusive;
Sec. 18, lots 6 to 11, inclusive, and lots 15 and 16;
Sec. 19, lots 8, 9, and 16.
T. 52 N., R. 73 W.,
Sec. 13, lots 9 to 11, inclusive, and lots 14 to 16, inclusive;
Sec. 24, lots 1 to 3, inclusive, and lots 6 to 12, inclusive.