Transportation Security Worker Identification Credential (TWIC) Notice of Proposed Rule Making. NMSAC will meet to receive an update, discuss concerns and make recommendations concerning this Rule Making project.

(5) Radiation Portal Monitoring. NMSAC will meet to review and discuss the Radiation Portal Monitoring Program and the challenges involved in replacing/altering current monitor programs within ports.

(6) Regulatory Agenda. NMSAC will meet to review, discuss and make recommendations to the Coast Guard’s future regulatory agenda.

(7) Public Comment period.

Day 2

The committee will meet to receive oral reports on the following issues:

(1) Lessons learned/best practices encountered during Maritime Security (MARSEC) Level increase over the Boston Marathon bombing.

(2) Lessons learned/best practices from Hurricane Sandy Recovery.

(3) Facility Security Office (FSO) training initiatives. NMSAC will discuss/make recommendations on current FSO training initiatives.

(4) Future Security issues. NMSAC will be tasked to provide guidance on emergent security issues. This will help the Coast Guard develop a long term vision for its maritime security program.

(4) Public comment period.

J.C. Burton,
Captain, U.S. Coast Guard, Director of Inspections and Compliance.

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DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

[Docket No. FR–5733–N–01]

Fair Housing Initiatives Program—Fiscal Year 2013 Application and Award Policies and Procedures—Solicitation of Comment

AGENCY: Office of the Assistant Secretary for Fair Housing and Equal Opportunity, HUD.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This notice invites interested parties to comment on HUD’s administration of the funding competition for the Fair Housing Initiatives Program during Fiscal Year (FY) 2013.

DATES: Comment Due Date: October 9, 2013.

ADDRESSES: Interested persons are invited to submit comments regarding this rule to the Regulations Division, Office of General Counsel, Department of Housing and Urban Development, 451 7th Street SW., Room 10276, Washington, DC 20410–0500. Communications must refer to the above docket number and title. There are two methods for submitting public comments. All submissions must refer to the above docket number and title.

1. Submission of Comments by Mail. Comments may be submitted by mail to the Regulations Division, Office of General Counsel, Department of Housing and Urban Development, 451 7th Street SW., Room 10276, Washington, DC 20410–0500.

2. Electronic Submission of Comments. Interested persons may submit comments electronically through the Federal eRulemaking Portal at www.regulations.gov. HUD strongly encourages commenters to submit comments electronically. Electronic submission of comments allows the commenter maximum time to prepare and submit a comment, ensures timely receipt by HUD, and enables HUD to make them immediately available to the public. Comments submitted electronically through the www.regulations.gov Web site can be viewed by other commenters and interested members of the public. Commenters should follow the instructions provided on that site to submit comments electronically.

Note: To receive consideration as public comments, comments must be submitted through one of the two methods specified above. Again, all submissions must refer to the docket number and title of the rule.

No Facsimile Comments. Facsimile (FAX) comments are not acceptable. Public Inspection of Public Comments. All properly submitted comments and communications submitted to HUD will be available for public inspection and copying between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. weekdays at the above address. Due to security measures at the HUD Headquarters building, an appointment to review the public comments must be scheduled in advance by calling the Regulations Division at 202–708–3055 (this is not a toll-free number). Individuals with speech or hearing impairments may access this number via TTY by calling the Federal Relay Service at 800–877–8339 (this is a toll free number).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: In anticipation of the next round of funding and grant administration under the Fair Housing Initiatives Program (FHIP), HUD invites comments from potential applicants, prior grantees and applicants, and any other interested parties, on HUD’s FY 2013 FHIP competition and HUD’s administration of grants during FY 2013. HUD’s FY 2013 FHIP NOFA can be found at http://portal.hud.gov/hudportal/HUD?src=/program_offices/administration/grants/fundsavail/nofa13/fhip. HUD is especially interested in soliciting comments on the Applications and Awards Procedures and Policies (AAPP) Guide, which can be found at: http://portal.hud.gov/hudportal/documents/huddoc?id=FY13HUD-FHIPAAPPGuide.pdf.

HUd will consider the comments received in response to this notice when formulating plans for the administration of FHIP grants and disposition of funds appropriated for Fiscal Year 2014.

Dated: August 27, 2013.

David R. Ziaya,
Deputy Assistant Secretary for Operations and Management.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Fish and Wildlife Service


Endangered and Threatened Species Permit Applications

AGENCY: Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of receipt of applications; request for public comment.

SUMMARY: We, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Service), invite the public to comment on the following applications to conduct certain activities with endangered or threatened species. The Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (Act), prohibits activities with endangered and threatened species unless a Federal permit allows such activities. The Act and the National Environmental Policy Act also require that we invite public comment before issuing these permits.

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DATES: To ensure consideration, written comments must be received on or before October 9, 2013.

ADDRESSES: Marty Tuegel, Section 10 Coordinator, by U.S. mail at Division of Endangered Species, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, P.O. Box 1306, Room 6034, Albuquerque, NM at 505–248–6920. Please refer to the respective permit number for each application when submitting comments.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Susan Jacobsen, Chief, Endangered Species Division, P.O. Box 1306, Albuquerque, NM 87103; 505–248–6651.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Public Availability of Comments

The Act (16 U.S.C. 1531 et seq.) prohibits activities with endangered and threatened species unless a Federal permit allows such activities. Along with our implementing regulations in the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) at 50 CFR 17, the Act provides for permits, and requires that we invite public comment before issuing these permits.

A grant provided under section 10(a)(1)(A) of the Act authorizes applicants to conduct activities with U.S. endangered or threatened species for scientific purposes, enhancement of survival or propagation, or interstate commerce. Our regulations regarding implementation of section 10(a)(1)(A) permits are found at 50 CFR 17.22 for threatened species unless a Federal permit allows such activities. Along with our implementing regulations in the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) at 50 CFR 17.62 for endangered plant species, 50 CFR 17.32 for threatened wildlife species, and 50 CFR 17.22 for threatened species.

Applications Available for Review and Comment

We invite local, State, Tribal, and Federal agencies, and the public to comment on the following applications. Please refer to the appropriate permit number (e.g. Permit No. TE–123456) when requesting application documents and when submitting comments.

Documents and other information the applicants have submitted with these applications are available for review, subject to the requirements of the Privacy Act (5 U.S.C. 552a) and Freedom of Information Act (5 U.S.C. 552).

Permit TE–030115

Applicant: Bureau of Land Management, Safford Field Office, Safford, Arizona.

Applicant requests an amendment to a current permit for research and recovery purposes to capture and transport Gila chub (Gila intermedia) to the Fish Health Centers for health assessments and to capture and transport salvaged individuals in case of drought, fire, or other environmental hazard throughout Arizona.

Permit TE–819473

Applicant: Eagle Environmental, Inc., Santa Fe, New Mexico.

Applicant requests a renewal to a current permit for research and recovery purposes to conduct presence/absence surveys of southwestern willow flycatcher (Empidonax occidentalis), northern aplomado falcon (Falco femoralis septentrionalis), and interior least tern (Sterna antillarum athalassos) within Arizona, New Mexico, and Texas.

Permit TE–039544

Applicant: Michael Forstner, San Marcos, Texas.

Applicant requests a renewal to a current permit for research and recovery purposes to conduct the following activities for Houston toad (Bufo houstonensis): presence/absence surveys; conduct outreach activities; captively propagate and headstart; and reintroduce to sites not historically documented within Texas.

Permit TE–069848

Applicant: Ross Rasmussen, Plano, Texas.

Applicant requests a renewal to a current permit for research and recovery purposes to conduct presence/absence surveys for the following species in Arizona, New Mexico, and Texas:

- Black-capped vireo (Vireo atricapilla)
- Golden-cheeked warbler (Dendroica chrysoparia)
- Northern aplomado falcon (Falco femoralis septentrionalis)
- Southwestern willow flycatcher (Empidonax occidentalis)

Permit TE–92407A

Applicant: Raven Environmental Services, Inc., Huntsville, Texas.

Applicant requests an amendment to a current permit for research and recovery purposes to conduct the following activities for red-cockaded woodpeckers (Picoides borealis): construct and monitor artificial nest cavities and restrictors; monitor populations and nest cavities using Swedish climbing ladders and/or video probes (peepers); translocate individuals; and capture and release adult birds using pole net over nest cavities and nestlings using the noose method throughout the species’ range in the southwest and southeast regions of the Service.

Permit TE–13598B

Applicant: Bradley Burford, Frederick, Maryland.

Applicant requests a new permit for research and recovery purposes to conduct presence/absence surveys for American burying beetle (Nicrophorus americanus) within Arkansas, Kansas, Missouri, Ohio, Oklahoma, Rhode Island, South Dakota, and Texas.

Permit TE–829996

Applicant: Houston Zoo, Houston, Texas.

Applicant requests a renewal of a current permit for research and recovery purposes to conduct presence/absence surveys for and/or conduct husbandry and holding of the following species in Texas:

- Barton Springs salamander (Eurycea sosorum)
- Big Bend gumbasia (Gambusia gaigei)
- Comanche Springs pupfish (Cyprinodon elegans)
- Hawksbill sea turtle (Eretmochelys imbricata)
- Houston toad (Bufo houstonensis)
- Jaguarundi (Herpailurus jaguaroundi cacomitli)
- Kemps ridley sea turtle (Dermochelys kempii)
- Leatherback sea turtle (Dermochelys coriacea)
- Leon Springs pupfish (Cyprinodon bovinus)

Permit TE–13600B

Applicant: Omaha’s Henry Doorly Zoo and Aquarium, Omaha, Nebraska.

Applicant requests a new permit for research and recovery purposes to conduct husbandry and holding of woundfin (Plagopterus argentissimus) and Gila topminnow (Poeciliopsis occidentalis) at the zoo in Nebraska.

Permit TE–046447


Applicant requests a renewal of a current permit for research and recovery purposes to hold and captively propagate Rio Grande silvery minnows (Hybognathus amarus) at the field station in Yankton, South Dakota.
Permit TE–13914B
Applicant: Justin Coons, Shiatook, Oklahoma.

Applicant requests a new permit for research and recovery purposes to conduct banding of nestling golden-cheeked warblers (Dendroica chrysoparia) within Balcones Canyonlands National Wildlife Refuge, Texas.

National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA)

In compliance with NEPA (42 U.S.C. 4321 et seq.), we have made an initial determination that the proposed activities in these permits are categorically excluded from the requirement to prepare an environmental assessment or environmental impact statement (516 DM 6 Appendix 1, 1.4C(1)).

Public Availability of Comments

All comments and materials we receive in response to this request will be available for public inspection, by appointment, during normal business hours at the address listed in the ADDRESSES section of this notice.

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—such as your entire comment—including your personal identifying number, email address, or other personal identifying information—from public review, we cannot guarantee that we will be able to do so.

Authority

We provide this notice under section 10 of the Act (16 U.S.C. 1531 et seq.)

Dated: August 27, 2013.
Joy E. Nicholopoulos, Acting Regional Director, Southwest Region.

Call for Nominations to the Grand Staircase-Escalante National Monument Advisory Committee, UT

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The purpose of this notice is to request public nominations for two members of the Grand Staircase-Escalante National Monument Advisory Committee (GSENM–MAC). The GSENM–MAC provides advice and recommendations to the GSENM on science issues and the achievement of the GSENM Monument Management Plan objectives. GSENM will accept public nominations for 30 days from the publication date of this notice.

DATES: A completed nomination form and accompanying nomination/recommendation letters must be received at the address listed below no later than October 9, 2013.

ADDRESSES: GSENM Headquarters Office, 669 South Highway 89A, Kanab, UT 84741.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Larry Crutchfield, Public Affairs Officer, see ADDRESSES above, telephone 435–644–1209; or email lcrutch@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, 7 days a week. You will receive a reply during normal business hours.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Secretary of the Interior established the GSENM–MAC pursuant to Section 309 of the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976 (43 U.S.C. 1739) and in conformity with the Federal Advisory Committee Act of 1972 (5 U.S.C. Appendix 2). The 15 appointed members of the GSENM–MAC perform several primary tasks: (1) Review evaluation reports produced by the Management Science Team and make recommendations on protocols and projects to meet overall objectives; (2) Review appropriate research proposals and make recommendations on project necessity and validity; (3) Make recommendations regarding allocation of research funds through review of research and project proposals as well as needs identified through the evaluation process above; and (4) Consult on issues such as protocols for specific projects.

The Secretary of the Interior appoints persons to the GSENM–MAC who are representatives of various stakeholder interests pertaining to land use planning and management of the lands under BLM management in the GSENM.

Each GSENM–MAC member will be a person who, as a result of training and experience, has knowledge or special expertise which qualifies him or her to provide advice from among the categories of interest listed below. As appropriate, certain committee members may be appointed as special government employees who serve on the committee without compensation, and are subject to financial disclosure requirements in the Ethics in Government Act and 5 CFR part 2634.

Individuals may nominate themselves or others to serve on the GSENM–MAC. Nomination forms may be obtained from the GSENM Headquarters Office, (address listed above).

The following must accompany all nomination packages:
—A letter of nomination;
—A completed nomination form;
—Letters of reference from the represented interests or organizations associated with the interest represented by the candidate; and,
—Any other information that speaks to the candidate’s qualifications.

One member, a livestock grazing permittee operating within the GSENM, will be appointed to the committee to represent livestock operators on the GSENM; and one member will be appointed as a special government employee with expertise in systems ecology. The specific category should be identified in the letter of nomination and in the nomination form.

Simultaneous with this notice, the GSENM will issue a press release providing additional information.

Authority: 43 CFR 1784.4–1.

Jenna Whitlock, Associate State Director.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

National Park Service


AGENCY: National Park Service, Interior.