

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR**Fish and Wildlife Service**

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**Endangered and Threatened Species;
Recovery Permit Applications**

AGENCY: Fish and Wildlife Service,
Interior.

ACTION: Notice of availability; request
for comments.

SUMMARY: We, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, invite the public to comment on the following applications for recovery permits to conduct activities with the purpose of enhancing the survival of endangered species. The Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (Act), prohibits certain activities with endangered species unless a Federal permit allows such activity. The Act also requires that we invite public comment before issuing such permits.

DATES: To ensure consideration, please send your written comments by July 7, 2014.

ADDRESSES: Program Manager for Restoration and Endangered Species Classification, Ecological Services, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Pacific Regional Office, 911 NE 11th Avenue, Portland, OR 97232-4181. Please refer to the permit number for the application when submitting comments.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Colleen Henson, Fish and Wildlife Biologist, at the above address or by telephone (503-231-6131) or fax (503-231-6243).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**Background**

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

A permit granted by us under section 10(a)(1)(A) of the Act authorizes the permittee to conduct activities (including take or interstate commerce) with respect to U.S. endangered or threatened species for scientific purposes or enhancement of propagation or survival. Our regulations implementing section 10(a)(1)(A) of the Act for these permits are found at 50 CFR 17.22 for endangered wildlife

species, 50 CFR 17.32 for threatened wildlife species, 50 CFR 17.62 for endangered plant species, and 50 CFR 17.72 for threatened plant species.

Applications Available for Review and Comment

We invite local, State, and Federal agencies, and the public to comment on the following applications. Please refer to the appropriate permit number for the application when submitting comments.

Documents and other information submitted with these applications are available for review by request from the Program Manager for Restoration and Endangered Species Classification at the address listed in the **ADDRESSES** section of this notice, subject to the requirements of the Privacy Act (5 U.S.C. 552a) and the Freedom of Information Act (5 U.S.C. 552).

Permit Number: TE-017352

Applicant: Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, Division of Fish and Wildlife, Saipan, MP.

The applicant requests renewal of an expired permit to take (survey) Mariana crows (*Corvus kubaryi*); take (survey, capture, handle, band, attach transmitters, collect tissue samples; and release) nightingale Reed-warblers (*Acrocephalus luscini*); and to take (monitor, excavate nests, capture, handle, attach transmitters, collect tissue samples and release) Hawksbill sea turtles (*Eretmochelys imbricata*) in conjunction with scientific research in the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands and for the purpose of enhancing the species' survival.

Permit Number: TE-702631

Applicant: Assistant Regional Director, Ecological Services, Fish and Wildlife Service, Pacific Region, Portland, Oregon.

The permittee requests an amendment to their recovery permit to allow Service employees, and their designated agents, to take four subspecies of the Mazama pocket gopher: Olympia pocket gopher (*Thomomys mazama pugetensis*), Roy Prairie pocket gopher (*T. m. glacialis*), Tenino pocket gopher (*T. m. tumuli*), and Yelm pocket gopher (*T. m. yelmensis*). The purpose of these activities is to carry out recovery activities for scientific purposes or for enhancing the species' propagation or survival in Washington State.

Permit Number: TE-826600

Applicant: Michael G. Hadfield,
Honolulu, Hawaii.

The permittee requests a permit amendment to take (survey, capture,

handle, mark, release, recapture, collect tissue samples, and captive breed) the Lanai tree snail (*Partulina variabilis*) and *Partulina semicarinata*) and Newcomb's tree snail (*Newcombia cumingi*) in conjunction with gathering ecological and life history data, and re-establishing wild populations in Hawaii for the purpose of enhancing the species' survival.

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 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: May 27, 2014.

Richard Hannan,

Acting Regional Director, Pacific Region, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR**Fish and Wildlife Service**

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**Wildlife and Hunting Heritage
Conservation Council; Public Meeting**

AGENCY: Fish and Wildlife Service,
Interior.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: We, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, announce a public meeting of the Wildlife and Hunting Heritage Conservation Council (Council). The Council provides advice about wildlife and habitat conservation endeavors that benefit wildlife resources; encourage partnership among the public, the sporting conservation organizations, the states, Native American tribes, and the Federal Government; and benefit recreational hunting.

DATES: Meeting: Tuesday June 17, 2014, from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., and Wednesday

June 18, 2014, from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. (MDT). For deadlines and directions on registering to attend, submitting written material, and giving an oral presentation, please see "Public Input" under **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION**.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held in Cody, Wyoming, at the Best Western Ivy Inn and Suites, located at 1800 8th Street, Cody, Wyoming 82414.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Joshua Winchell, Council Coordinator, 4401 North Fairfax Drive, Mailstop 3103-AEA, Arlington, VA 22203; telephone (703) 358-2639; fax (703) 358-2548; or email joshua_winchell@fws.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: In accordance with the requirements of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, 5 U.S.C. App., we announce that Wildlife and Hunting Heritage Conservation Council will hold a meeting.

Background

Formed in February 2010, the Council provides advice about wildlife and habitat conservation endeavors that:

1. Benefit wildlife resources;
 2. Encourage partnership among the public, the sporting conservation organizations, the states, Native American tribes, and the Federal Government;
 3. Benefit recreational hunting.
- The Council advises the Secretary of the Interior and the Secretary of Agriculture, reporting through the Director, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Service), in consultation with the Director, Bureau of Land Management (BLM); Director, National Park Service (NPS); Chief, Forest Service (USFS); Chief, Natural Resources Service (NRCS); and Administrator, Farm Services Agency (FSA). The Council's duties are strictly advisory and consist of, but are not limited to, providing recommendations for:

1. Implementing the Recreational Hunting and Wildlife Resource Conservation Plan—A Ten-Year Plan for Implementation;
2. Increasing public awareness of and support for the Wildlife Restoration Program;
3. Fostering wildlife and habitat conservation and ethics in hunting and shooting sports recreation;
4. Stimulating sportsmen and women's participation in conservation and management of wildlife and habitat resources through outreach and education;
5. Fostering communication and coordination among State, tribal, and Federal governments; industry; hunting and shooting sportsmen and women;

wildlife and habitat conservation and management organizations; and the public;

6. Providing appropriate access to Federal lands for recreational shooting and hunting;

7. Providing recommendations to improve implementation of Federal conservation programs that benefit wildlife, hunting, and outdoor recreation on private lands; and

8. When requested by the Designated Federal Officer in consultation with the Council Chairperson, performing a variety of assessments or reviews of policies, programs, and efforts through the Council's designated subcommittees or workgroups.

Background information on the Council is available at <http://www.fws.gov/whhcc>.

Meeting Agenda

The Council will convene to consider issues including:

1. Land and Water Conservation Fund;
2. Funding for public and private lands conservation.
3. Other Council business.

The final agenda will be posted on the Internet at <http://www.fws.gov/whhcc>.

PUBLIC INPUT

If you wish to	You must contact the Council Coordinator (see FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT) no later than
Attend the meeting	June 6, 2014.
Submit written information or questions before the meeting for the council to consider during the meeting.	June 6, 2014.
Give an oral presentation during the meeting.	June 6, 2014.

Attendance

To attend this meeting, register by close of business on the dates listed in "Public Input" under **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION**. Please submit your name, time of arrival, email address, and phone number to the Council Coordinator (see **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**).

Submitting Written Information or Questions

Interested members of the public may submit relevant information or questions for the Council to consider during the public meeting. Written statements must be received by the date above, so that the information may be

made available to the Council for their consideration prior to this meeting. Written statements must be supplied to the Council Coordinator in both of the following formats: One hard copy with original signature, and one electronic copy via email (acceptable file formats are Adobe Acrobat PDF, MS Word, MS PowerPoint, or rich text file).

Giving an Oral Presentation

Individuals or groups requesting to make an oral presentation at the meeting will be limited to 2 minutes per speaker, with no more than a total of 30 minutes for all speakers. Interested parties should contact the Council Coordinator, in writing (preferably via email; see **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**), to be placed on the public speaker list for this meeting. Nonregistered public speakers will not be considered during the meeting. Registered speakers who wish to expand upon their oral statements, or those who had wished to speak but could not be accommodated on the agenda, may submit written statements to the Council Coordinator up to 30 days subsequent to the meeting.

Meeting Minutes

Summary minutes of the conference will be maintained by the Council Coordinator (see **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**). They will be available for public inspection within 90 days of the meeting, and will be posted on the Council's Web site at <http://www.fws.gov/whhcc>.

Stephen Guertin,

Director.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Fish and Wildlife Service

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Voluntary Guidelines To Prevent the Introduction and Spread of Aquatic Invasive Species; Recreational Activities and Water Gardening

AGENCY: Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of availability of final documents.

SUMMARY: The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Service) announces the availability of two final documents for public outreach use:

- *Voluntary Guidelines to Prevent the Introduction and Spread of Aquatic Invasive Species: Recreational Activities*