

listed sand skink and blue-tailed mole skink incidental to land preparation and construction in Polk County, Florida. We request public comment on the application, which includes the applicant's proposed habitat conservation plan (HCP), and the Service's preliminary determination that this HCP qualifies as "low-effect," categorically excluded, under the National Environmental Policy Act. To make this determination, we used our environmental action statement and low-effect screening form, both of which are also available for review.

**DATES:** We must receive your written comments on or before September 16, 2019.

**ADDRESSES: Obtaining Documents:** You may obtain copies of the documents by any of the following methods:

- **Telephone:** Lindsay Nester, 772-469-4226.
- **Email:** [lindsay\\_nester@fws.gov](mailto:lindsay_nester@fws.gov). Use "Attn: Permit number TE24579D" as your message subject line.
- **U.S. mail:** Lindsay Nester, South Florida Ecological Services Field Office, Attn: Permit number "TE24579D," U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, 1339 20th Street, Vero Beach, FL 32960-3559.
- **In-person review:** The documents are available for public inspection by appointment during normal business hours at the above address. Please call to make an appointment.
- **Fax:** Lindsay Nester, 772-562-4288, Attn.: Permit number "TE24579D."

**Submitting Comments:** If you wish to submit comments on any of the documents, you may do so in writing via the above email address, U.S. mail address, or fax number. You also may hand-deliver comments to the above address during regular business hours.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Lindsay Nester, by U.S. mail (see **ADDRESSES**) or via phone at 772-469-4226. Individuals who are hearing impaired or speech impaired may call the Federal Relay Service at 800-877-8339 for TTY assistance.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** We, the Fish and Wildlife Service (Service), announce receipt of an application from Hwy 540 Land Investments, LLC, for incidental take permit under the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (ESA; 16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*). The applicant requests a 5-year ITP for the take of the federally listed sand skink (*Neoseps reynoldsi*) and blue-tailed mole skink (*Eumeces egregius*) (skinks) incidental to land preparation and construction (project) in Polk County, Florida. We request public comment on the application, which includes a habitat conservation plan

(HCP), and on our preliminary determination that this HCP qualifies as "low-effect," categorically excluded, under the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA; 42 U.S.C. 4321 *et seq.*). To make this determination, we used our environmental action statement and low-effect screening form, which are also available for public review.

**Project**

Hwy 540 Land Investments, LLC requests a 5-year ITP to take sand skink and blue-tailed mole skink incidental to the conversion of approximately 7.46 acres of occupied foraging and sheltering habitat for construction of a housing development on a 38-acre parcel in Section 36, Township 28S, Range 25E, Polk County, Florida. The applicant proposes to mitigate for the take by purchasing and protecting 14.92 acres of occupied skink habitat at a Service-approved conservation bank prior to engaging in any land clearing activities on the parcel.

**Public Availability of Comments**

Before including your address, phone number, email address, or other personal identifying information in your comment, be aware that your entire comment—including your personal identifying information—may be made available to the public at any time. While you may request that we withhold your personal identifying information, we cannot guarantee that we will be able to do so.

**Our Preliminary Determination**

The Service has made a preliminary determination that the applicant's project, including the land preparation, construction, and proposed mitigation measure, would individually and cumulatively have a minor or negligible effect on the skinks and the environment. Therefore, we have preliminarily determined that the ITP for this project would qualify for categorical exclusion, and the HCP is "low-effect" under our NEPA regulations at 43 CFR 46.205 and 46.210. A low-effect HCP is one that would result in (1) minor or negligible effects on federally listed, proposed, and candidate species and their habitats; (2) minor or negligible effects on other environmental values or resources; and (3) impacts that, when considered together with the impacts of other past, present, and reasonable foreseeable similarly situated projects, would not result over time in significant cumulative effects to environmental values or resources.

**Next Steps**

The Service will evaluate the application and the comments received to determine whether to issue the requested permit. We will also conduct an intra-Service consultation pursuant to section 7 of the ESA to evaluate the effects of the proposed take. After considering the above findings, we will determine whether the permit issuance criteria of section 10(a)(1)(B) of the ESA have been met. If met, the Service will issue ITP number TE24579D-0 to Hwy 540 Land Investments, LLC.

**Authority**

The Service provides this notice under section 10(c) (16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*) of the ESA and NEPA regulation 40 CFR 1506.6.

**Roxanna Hinzman,**

*Field Supervisor, South Florida Ecological Services Office.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR**

**Fish and Wildlife Service**

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**Receipt of Incidental Take Permit Application and Proposed Habitat Conservation Plan for the Sand Skink and Blue-Tailed Mole Skink, Polk County, FL; Categorical Exclusion**

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

**ACTION:** Notice of availability; request for comment and information.

**SUMMARY:** We, the Fish and Wildlife Service (Service), announce receipt of an application from CG Land Services, LLC (applicant) for an incidental take permit (ITP) under the Endangered Species Act. The applicant requests an ITP to take the federally listed sand skink and blue-tailed mole skink incidental to construction in Polk County, Florida. We request public comment on the application, which includes the applicant's proposed habitat conservation plan (HCP), and the Service's preliminary determination that this HCP qualifies as "low-effect," categorically excluded, under the National Environmental Policy Act. To make this determination, we used our environmental action statement and low-effect screening form, both of which are also available for public review.

**DATES:** We must receive your written comments by September 16, 2019.

**ADDRESSES:** *Obtaining Documents:* You may obtain copies of the documents by any of the following methods:

- *Telephone:* Heather Hitt, 772-469-4267.

- *Email:* heather\_hitt@fws.gov.

- *U.S. mail:* Heather Hitt, South Florida Ecological Services Field Office, Attn: Permit number "TE28046D-0," U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, 1339 20th Street, Vero Beach, FL 32960-3559.

- *In-person:* The documents may be reviewed by appointment during normal business hours at the above address. Please call to make an appointment.

- *Fax:* Heather Hitt, 772-562-4288, Attn.: Permit number "TE28046D-0."

*Submitting Comments:* If you wish to submit comments on any of the documents, you may do so in writing via the above email address, U.S. mail address, or fax number, or you may hand-deliver comments to the above address during regular business hours.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Heather Hitt, by U.S. mail (see **ADDRESSES**) or via phone at 772-469-4267. Individuals who are hearing impaired or speech impaired may call the Federal Relay Service at 800-877-8339 for TTY assistance.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** We, the Fish and Wildlife Service (Service), announce receipt of an application from CG Land Services, LLC (applicant) for an incidental take permit (ITP) under the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (ESA; 16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*). The applicant requests the ITP to take the federally listed sand skink (*Neoseps reynoldsi*) and blue-tailed mole skink (*Eumeces egregius lividus*) (skinks) incidental to the construction of a residential development (project) in Polk County, Florida. We request public comment on the application, which includes the applicant's proposed habitat conservation plan (HCP) and the Service's preliminary determination that this HCP qualifies as "low-effect," categorically excluded under the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA; 42 U.S.C. 4321 *et seq.*). To make this determination, we used our environmental action statement and low-effect screening form, both of which are also available for public review.

**Project**

CG Land Services, LLC requests a 5-year ITP to take skinks incidental to the conversion of approximately 1.8 acres of occupied skink foraging and sheltering habitat for the construction of a housing development on a 109-acre parcel in Section 13, Township 29 South, Range 25 East, Polk County, Florida. The applicant proposes to mitigate for take

of the skinks by purchasing credits equivalent to 3.6 acres of skink-occupied habitat from a Service-approved skink conservation bank. The Service would require the applicant to purchase the credits prior to engaging in land clearing activities on the parcel.

**Public Availability of Comments**

Before including your address, phone number, email address, or other personal identifying information in your comment, be aware that your entire comment—including your personal identifying information—may be made available to the public. While you may request that we withhold your personal identifying information, we cannot guarantee that we will be able to do so.

**Our Preliminary Determination**

The Service has made a preliminary determination that the applicant's project, including land clearing, construction of the residential development, and the proposed mitigation measure, would individually and cumulatively have a minor or negligible effect on the skinks and the environment. Therefore, we have preliminarily concluded that the ITP for this project would qualify for categorical exclusion and the HCP is low effect under our NEPA regulations at 43 CFR 46.205 and 46.210. A low-effect HCP is one that would result in (1) minor or negligible effects on federally listed, proposed, and candidate species and their habitats; (2) minor or negligible effects on other environmental values or resources; and (3) impacts that, when considered together with the impacts of other past, present, and reasonable foreseeable similarly situated projects, would not over time result in significant cumulative effects to environmental values or resources.

**Next Steps**

The Service will evaluate the application and the comments received to determine whether to issue the requested permit. We will also conduct an intra-Service consultation pursuant to section 7 of the ESA to evaluate the effects of the proposed take. After considering the above findings, we will determine whether the permit issuance criteria of section 10(a)(1)(B) of the ESA have been met. If met, the Service will issue ITP number TE28046D-0 to CG Land Services, LLC.

**Authority**

The Service provides this notice under section 10(c) (16 U.S.C. 1539(c))

of the ESA and NEPA regulation 40 CFR 1506.6.

**Roxanna Hinzman,**

*Field Supervisor, South Florida Ecological Services Office.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR**

**National Park Service**

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**Notice of Inventory Completion: U.S. Department of the Interior, National Park Service, Natchez Trace Parkway, Tupelo, MS**

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

**SUMMARY:** The U.S. Department of the Interior, National Park Service, Natchez Trace Parkway has completed an inventory of human remains and associated funerary objects, in consultation with the appropriate Indian Tribes or Native Hawaiian organizations, and has determined that there is no cultural affiliation between the human remains and associated funerary objects and any present-day Indian Tribes or Native Hawaiian organizations. Representatives of any Indian Tribe or Native Hawaiian organization not identified in this notice that wish to request transfer of control of these human remains and associated funerary objects should submit a written request to Natchez Trace Parkway. If no additional requestors come forward, transfer of control of the human remains and associated funerary objects to the Indian Tribes or Native Hawaiian organizations stated in this notice may proceed.

**DATES:** Representatives of any Indian Tribe or Native Hawaiian organization not identified in this notice that wish to request transfer of control of these human remains and associated funerary objects should submit a written request with information in support of the request to Natchez Trace Parkway at the address in this notice by September 16, 2019.

**ADDRESSES:** Mary Risser, Superintendent, Natchez Trace Parkway, 2680 Natchez Trace Parkway, Tupelo, MS 38804, telephone (662) 680-4005, email [mary\\_risser@nps.gov](mailto:mary_risser@nps.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Notice is here given in accordance with the Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act (NAGPRA), 25 U.S.C. 3003, of the completion of an inventory