

cave (Bear Hollow) is privately owned. The surrounding watershed and recharge area of both caves is in private ownership. This species is listed as endangered without critical habitat. The Service solicits review and comment from the public on this draft plan.

DATES: Comments on the draft recovery plan must be received on or before November 30, 1995, to receive consideration by the Service.

ADDRESSES: Persons wishing to review the draft recovery plan may obtain a copy by contacting the Jackson Field Office, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, 6578 Dogwood View Parkway, Suite A, Jackson, Mississippi 39213. Written comments and materials regarding the plan should be addressed to the Field Supervisor at the above address.

Comments and materials received are available on request for public inspection, by appointment, during normal business hours at the above address.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ms. Theresa Jacobson at the above address (601/965-4900).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

Restoring endangered or threatened animals and plants to the point where they are again secure, self-sustaining members of their ecosystems is a primary goal of the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service's endangered species program. To help guide the recovery effort, the Service is working to prepare recovery plans for most of the listed species native to the United States. Recovery plans describe actions considered necessary for conservation of the species, establish criteria for the recovery levels for downlisting or delisting them, and estimate time and cost for implementing the recovery measures needed.

The Endangered Species Act of 1973 (Act), as amended (16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*), requires the development of recovery plans for listed species unless such a plan would not promote the conservation of a particular species. Section 4(f) of the Act, as amended in 1988, requires that a public notice and an opportunity for public review and comment be provided during recovery plan development. The Service will consider all information presented during a public comment period prior to approval of each new or revised recovery plan. The Service and other Federal agencies will also take these comments into account in the course of implementing approved recovery plans.

The species considered in this draft recovery plan is *Cambarus aculabrum*.

This cave crayfish inhabits streams and pools located in two Ozarkian solution channels (caves) in the Mississippian cherty-limestone Boone Formation of Benton county, Arkansas. Cave crayfish (troglobites) are highly specialized for living in stable cave environments with low light and low temperatures and as such are unable to cope with changes in their habitats that may be induced by human activities. The cave crayfish was listed as endangered in 1993 due to its limited distribution, with only two known populations containing a small number of individuals; its limited reproductive potential; the potential for take by humans; and threat of water quality degradation.

The objective of this proposed plan is reclassification of the cave crayfish to threatened status. Reclassification will be considered when the two known populations are self-sustaining and are protected to the degree that they are secure from present or foreseeable threats. Actions needed to reach this goal include: (1) protecting populations and habitat, (2) educating the public on sensitivity of groundwater and fauna to pollution, (3) monitoring populations and habitat, including water quality, (4) searching for additional populations, (5) studying species biology, and (6) monitoring and studying troglomorphic competitors and predators (non-obligate cave inhabitants).

This Plan is being submitted for agency review. After consideration of comments received during the review period, it will be submitted for final approval.

Public Comments Solicited

The Service solicits written comments on the recovery plan described. All comments received by the date specified above will be considered prior to approval of the plan.

Authority

The authority for this action is Section 4(f) of the Endangered Species Act, 16 U.S.C. 1533(f).

Dated: September 11, 1995.

Paul Hartfield,

Acting Field Supervisor.

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Notice to Extend the Public Comment Period for the Draft Environmental Impact Statement on the Proposed Water Rights Acquisition for Lahontan Valley Wetlands, Churchill County, Nevada

AGENCIES: U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (lead agency); Nevada Division

of Wildlife, U.S. Bureau of Reclamation, U.S. Bureau of Indian Affairs, U.S. Bureau of Land Management, U.S. Natural Resources Conservation Service, Naval Air Station—Fallon, Fallon Paiute-Shoshone Tribes, and Churchill County, Nevada (cooperators).

ACTION: Notice to extend the public comment period.

SUMMARY: This notice advises the public that the public comment period has been extended for an additional 30 days for the Draft Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for Water Rights acquisition for Lahontan Valley Wetlands, Churchill County, Nevada.

DATES: Public comments on the Draft EIS are requested by October 20, 1995. This 30-day extension of the comment period provides the public a 90-day review period for the Draft EIS.

ADDRESSES: Written comments should be addressed to:

Project Leader, Stillwater National Wildlife Refuge, P.O. Box 1236, Fallon, NV 89407.

Copies of the Draft EIS may be inspected at the following locations:

Stillwater National Wildlife Refuge, 1000 Auction Road, Fallon, NV 89406

U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Refuge and Wildlife, 911 N.E. 11th Avenue, Portland, OR 97232

Churchill County Public Library, 553 South Maine St., Fallon, NV 89406

Nevada State Library and Archives, Reference Desk, 100 Stewart Street, Carson City, NV 89701

Reno Branch, Washoe County Public Library, 301 S. Center Street, Reno, NV 89501.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Ron Anglin, Project Leader, or Gary Shellhorn, Stillwater National Wildlife Refuge, P.O. Box 1236, Fallon, NV 89407, (702) 423-5128.

Individuals desiring a copy of the draft EIS for review should immediately contact the above individuals. Copies have been sent to agencies and individuals who participated in the scoping process and to those people that requested to be added to the mailing list.

Dated: September 1, 1995.

Thomas J. Dwyer,

Acting Regional Director, Region 1, Fish and Wildlife Service.

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National Park Service

Santa Rosa Island Resources Management Plan; Channel Islands National Park, California; Intent to Prepare an Environmental Impact Statement

Summary: The National Park Service will prepare a Santa Rosa Island Resources Management Plan/Environmental Impact Statement (SRI-RMP/EIS) for Santa Rosa Island, Channel Islands National Park, California and is initiating the scoping process for this project. This notice is in accordance with 40 CFR 1501.7 and 40 CFR 1508.22, of the regulations of the President's Council on Environmental Quality for the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, Public Law 91-190.

Background

This planning effort is intended to supplement and expand upon the parkwide Resources Management Plan, which was approved in 1994 and focused primarily on research, inventory/monitoring, and project needs. The primary objective of the current planning process is to prepare an RMP/EIS specific to Santa Rosa Island which analyzes and selects management actions to accomplish three primary objectives: (1) To conserve and restore rare plant and animal species, as well as the habitats upon which they depend, (2) to ensure that non-native plant species will not threaten restoration of rare species and their habitats, and (3) to ensure that management of non-native ungulates (e.g., cattle, deer, elk, horses) and island infrastructure (e.g., roads and culverts) will protect or recover riparian habitat and water quality sufficiently to ensure compliance with the Clean Water Act. In addition, since Santa Rosa Island has yet to be reviewed for suitability as wilderness (pursuant to the Wilderness Act and Public Law 96-199), all proposed management actions will be evaluated in terms of their impact on wilderness suitability.

Supplementary Information: Persons wishing to express concerns or provide information on the above management issues and proposed future management direction of Santa Rosa Island, Channel Islands National Park may address these to the Superintendent, Channel Islands National Park, 1901 Spinnaker, Ventura, California 93001. Public scoping sessions will be scheduled and additional information given via press release and notices distributed to area libraries. The first scoping session will be held in Fall, 1995 in Ventura, California. Questions or comments

regarding this Notice of Intent or the final schedule and location of scoping sessions should be addressed to the Superintendent, either by mail or by telephone at 805/658-5700.

The responsible official is Stanley T. Albright, Field Director, Pacific West Area, National Park Service. The draft SRI-RMP/EIS is expected to be available for public review in Winter-Spring 1995-96.

Dated: September 1, 1995.

Stephen G. Crabtree,

Acting Field Director, Pacific West Area.

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Record of Decision for the General Management Plan/Final Environmental Impact Statement, Lake Chelan National Recreation Area, Washington

ACTION: Notice of Approval of Record Decision.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to section 102(2)(C) of the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (Public Law 91-190, as amended) and the regulations promulgated by the Council on Environmental Quality in 40 CFR 1505.2, the National Park Service has approved the Record of Decision for the General Management Plan/Final Environmental Impact Statement for Lake Chelan National Recreation Area, Washington. The National Park Service will implement the proposed action as described in the Final Impact Statement.

DATES: The Record of Decision was recommended by the Superintendent of North Cascades National Park Service Complex, concurred by the Deputy Field Director, Pacific West Area, and approved by the Field Director, Pacific West Area, on August 30, 1995.

ADDRESSES: Inquiries regarding the Record of Decision or the Environmental Impact Statement should be submitted to the Superintendent, North Cascades National Park Service Complex, 2105 Highway 20, Sedro Woolley, WA 98284-9314; telephone: (360) 856-5700.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The text of the Record of Decision follows: The Department of the Interior, National Park Service, has prepared this Record of Decision on the Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the General Management Plan for Lake Chelan National Recreation Area, Washington. This Record of Decision is a statement of the decision made, the background of the project, other alternatives considered, the basis for the decision, the environmentally preferable

alternative, measures to minimize environmental harm, and public involvement in the decision making process.

Decision (Selected Action)

The National Park Service will implement the proposed action as described in the Final Environmental Impact Statement.

The National Park Service will manage visitor and resident use of the recreation area's resources in order to preserve the natural, scenic and cultural values of the area. The rustic setting of Lake Chelan National Recreation Area will be part of the transition from the downlake, primarily recreational and residential setting, to the wild and natural North Cascades National Park.

The National Park Service will not manipulate the Stehekin river or its tributaries except to protect public roads and bridges. Woody debris could be trimmed or turned in the lower 9 miles of the Stehekin River to allow safer recreational use of the river for rafting, kayaking, and canoeing if it did not alter the function or stability of woody debris accumulations and was permitted by the appropriate regulatory agency. The Park Service will not remove woody debris from the river system except to protect public roads and bridges. The Park Service will discourage private landowners from manipulating the Stehekin River or removing woody debris. The active sand, rock, and gravel borrow pit will be maintained at less than or equal to its current size; no new borrow pits will be opened, and abandoned borrow pits will be restored. Gravel will be sold to the public at fair market value, with restrictions.

Fire suppression, prescribed natural fire, management-ignited prescribed fire, and selective manual fuel reductions will be used to improve wildland fire protection for human life and property and to manage for late-succession stage in ponderosa pine/Douglas fir forest. The practice of woodlot cutting for firewood will be phased out. When available, firewood will be provided from administrative sources, at fair market value.

The Golden West Lodge and the High Bridge Historic District will be rehabilitated and the Buckner homestead and orchard will be preserved. The airstrip will be operated under a special use permit with the Washington State Department of Transportation for private, noncommercial use. Some NPS and concession housing, maintenance, and related facilities will be consolidated beside the airstrip.