

includes, but is not limited to dose response, route of exposure, chemical structure, metabolism, pharmacokinetics, sensitive sub populations, genetic effects, or other data relating to mechanism of action or factors that may be unique to a given substance. For example, there may be substances for which there is evidence of carcinogenicity in laboratory animals but there are compelling data indicating that the agent acts through mechanisms which do not operate in humans and would therefore not reasonably be anticipated to cause cancer in humans.

Call for Nominations

Petitions for listing or delisting an agent, substance, or mixture in the BRC may be submitted by any interested individual or party and should be sent to the National Toxicology Program, Biennial Report on Carcinogens, MD WC-05, P.O. Box 12233, Research Triangle Park, NC 27709. Petitions must contain a rationale for listing or delisting as either a "known human carcinogen" or a "reasonably anticipated human carcinogen". Appropriate background information and relevant data (e.g. Journal articles, NTP Technical Reports, IARC listings, exposure surveys, release inventories, etc.) which support a petition should be provided or referenced when possible.

A detailed description of listing/delisting procedures, including the steps in the formal review process, can be obtained by contacting: Dr. C. W. Jameson, National Toxicology program, Biennial Report on Carcinogens, MD WC-05, P.O. Box 12233, Research Triangle Park, NC 27709; phone (919) 541-4096, fax: (919) 541-2242, email: jameson@niehs.nih.gov. Any questions regarding the process, procedures, or the information contained herein may also be directed to Dr. Jameson.

The most recent Report (the 7th Annual Report on Carcinogens) was published in 1994 and may be obtained by contacting: NTP Central Data Management, P.O. Box 12233, MD E1-02, Research Triangle Park, NC 27709. The 8th BRC is nearing completion and will be published in 1997. All nominations received in 1997 are expected to receive consideration and review in 1997 and 1998 and any new listings or delistings would be included in the 9th BRC to be published in 1999.

Dated: May 20, 1997.

Kenneth Olden,

Director, National Toxicology Program.

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DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

[Docket No. FR-4210-C-02]

Notice of Funding Availability for Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS; Correction

AGENCY: Office of the Assistant Secretary for Community Planning and Development, HUD.

ACTION: Correction.

SUMMARY: In the NOFA published on Wednesday, May 7, 1997 (62 FR 25082), one provision concerning compliance with a court order involving Dallas, Texas was not stated clearly enough. This document corrects the language to make it clear that two bonus points are available for an application from Dallas that would address issues of racial segregation in low income housing.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: To correct an inadvertent error in stating how points are determined with respect to responsiveness to the needs of clients, the last sentence of paragraph II, (c)(2)(C)(ii)(f) of the NOFA (FR-Doc. 97-11881) published on May 7, 1997, in the third column of page 25090 (lines 8 through 11), is revised to read as follows: "HUD may add up to 2 points, based on this consideration, to the points otherwise available under this criterion."

Dated: May 20, 1997.

Jacquie Lawing,

General Deputy Assistant Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Fish and Wildlife Service

Availability of an Environmental Assessment and Receipt of an Application for a Permit To Authorize Incidental Take of the Threatened Northern Spotted Owl by Ribar Timberlands, Humboldt County, California

AGENCY: Fish and Wildlife Service.

ACTION: Notice of availability.

SUMMARY: This notice advises the public that Ribar Timberlands of Humboldt County, California (Applicant) has applied to the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Service) for an incidental take permit pursuant to section 10(a)(1)(B) of the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (Act). The application has been assigned permit number PRT-828760. The requested permit would

authorize the incidental take of northern spotted owls (*Strix occidentalis caurina*) (owls) that may occur in or near the project area in Humboldt County, California, as a result of the Applicant's timber-management activities. A Habitat Conservation Plan, including an Implementing Agreement, was submitted as part of the application in accordance with section 10(a) of the Act. The Service specifically requests comments on the appropriateness of the "No Surprises" assurances contained in this application (see sections II.D.1 and III.K of the Implementing Agreement).

The Service also announces the availability of an Environmental Assessment for the proposed issuance of the incidental take permit and approval of the Habitat Conservation Plan. All comments received will become part of the public record and may be released. This notice is provided pursuant to section 10(c) of the Act and National Environmental Policy Act regulations (40 CFR 1506.6).

DATES: Written comments on the permit application and Environmental Assessment should be received on or before June 30, 1997.

ADDRESSES: Comments regarding the application or Environmental Assessment should be addressed to Mr. Bruce Halstead, Project Leader, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Coastal California Fish and Wildlife Office, 1125 16 Street, Room 209, Arcata, California 95521; (707) 822-7201. Please refer to permit number PRT-828760 when submitting comments. Individuals wishing copies of the application package or Environmental Assessment for review should immediately contact the office listed above.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Ken Hoffman, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, at the above address; telephone (707) 822-7201.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Under section 9 of the Act and its implementing regulations, "taking" of threatened and endangered species is prohibited. However, the Service, under limited circumstances, may issue permits to take threatened or endangered wildlife species if such taking is incidental to, and not the purpose of, otherwise lawful activities. Regulations governing permits for threatened and endangered species are codified in 50 CFR 17.32 and 17.22, respectively.

The Applicant has requested that the Service issue an incidental take permit and approve the Habitat Conservation Plan, authorizing incidental take of owls that may result from their proposed timber harvest on the 1,384-acre project

area in Humboldt County, California. The Applicant's proposed timber harvest may result in the take owls, as defined in the Act and its implementing regulations. The term of the permit and Habitat Conservation Plan would be for 30 years.

The Applicant proposes to mitigate for potential impacts from incidental take of owls by retaining at least one stand of viable owl nesting habitat at all times, conducting pre-harvest owl surveys, deferring any timber harvest which may displace an activity center until outside the breeding season, and maintaining at least 35% of the forested area of the property in a condition of suitable owl habitat at all times. To minimize impacts to owls, the Habitat Conservation Plan requires specified activities that could potentially result in take not be conducted within a 1000-foot radius of any occupied owl nest site. The retention of owl habitat, including at least one stand of viable nesting habitat would ensure the availability of owl habitat in the future.

The Environmental Assessment considers the environmental consequences of three alternatives, including a no-action alternative. The proposed action alternative is the issuance of the permit under section 10(a) of the Act which would authorize incidental take of the owl. The proposed action would require the Applicant to implement their Habitat Conservation Plan. Under the no-action alternative, the permit would not be issued, the Habitat Conservation Plan would not be implemented, and the Applicant would avoid the take of owls. A third alternative is briefly considered which would defer all harvests in perpetuity with the intent of maximizing the number of spotted owls nesting on the property.

Authority: 16 U.S.C. 1531-1544, and 4201-4245.

Dated: May 21, 1997.

Thomas J. Dwyer,

Acting Regional Director, Region 1, Portland, Oregon.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Indian Affairs

Receipt of Petition for Federal Acknowledgment of Existence as an Indian Tribe

AGENCY: Bureau of Indian Affairs.

ACTION: Notice.

This is published in the exercise of authority delegated by the Secretary of the Interior to the Assistant Secretary—Indian Affairs by 209 DM 8.

Pursuant to 25 CFR 83.9(a), notice is hereby given that the Coastal Gabrieleno/Diegueno Band of Mission Indians, 1226 West Third Street, Santa Ana, California 92703, has filed a letter of intent to petition for acknowledgment by the Secretary of the Interior that the group exists as an Indian tribe. The petition was received by the Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) on March 18, 1997, and was signed by members of the group's governing body.

This is a notice of receipt of a letter of intent to petition and does not constitute notice that the petition is under active consideration. Notice of active consideration will be sent by mail to the petitioner and other interested parties at the appropriate time.

Under Section 83.9(a) of the Federal regulations, interested parties may submit factual and/or legal arguments in support of or in opposition to the group's petition. Any information submitted will be made available on the same basis as other information in the BIA's files. Such submissions will be provided to the petitioner upon receipt by the BIA. The petitioner will be provided an opportunity to respond to such submissions prior to a final determination regarding the petitioner's status.

The petition may be examined, by appointment, in the Department of the Interior, Bureau of Indian Affairs, Branch of Acknowledgment and Research, 1849 C Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20240, Phone: (202) 208-3592.

Dated: May 20, 1997.

Ada E. Deer,

Assistant Secretary—Indian Affairs.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

National Park Service

Notice of Proposed Boundary Adjustment

SUMMARY: Minor adjustments in the boundaries of Hopewell Culture National Historical Park. The National Park Service has determined that a boundary adjustment is necessary for the Hopewell Mound Group unit of the park referred to in 16 U.S.C. 410uu-1(a).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Superintendent, Hopewell Culture National Historical Park, 16062 State

Route 104, Chillicothe, Ohio 45601-8694 or by telephone at 614-774-1126.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: 16 U.S.C. 410uu-1(c) authorizes the Secretary of the Interior to make these adjustments after receipt of public comment.

Therefore, notice is hereby given that public comments will be accepted for a period of 45 calendar days from the publication date of this notice. Comments should be sent to the Superintendent, Hopewell Culture at the above address. In the absence of any subsequent action to modify the proposed boundary adjustment, this boundary adjustment will become the final determination of the Department of the Interior.

This proposed boundary adjustment will add approximately 114.58 acres of privately owned land to the park and will allow for the Federal protection of significant archeological resources. The Hopewell Mound Group Unit is located in Union Township, Ross County, Ohio. The National Park Service has prepared a map identified as Proposed Boundary Adjustment for Hopewell Culture National Historical Park, bearing drawing number 353/80,046 and dated April 1997. The map depicts the specific real property proposed for inclusion to the park.

Copies of this map are on file and available for inspection at the following three locations: The Department of the Interior, National Park Service, Lands Resources Division, 1849 "C" Street, NW., Room 2444, Washington, D.C. 20240; the Midwest Field Area (GLSO-L), 1709 Jackson Street, Omaha, Nebraska 68102; and Hopewell Culture National Historical Park, at the address given above.

Dated: May 13, 1997.

William W. Schenk,

Field Director, Midwest Field Area.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

National Park Service

Request for Public Comment on Proposed Amendments and Clarifications of NPS-48 (Concession Guidelines)

SUMMARY: On February 20, 1997, the National Park Service (NPS) requested public comment on those portions of its staff manual (NPS-48) dealing with the administration of concession authorizations which had not been made available for public comment previously. On March 27, 1997, NPS extended the due date for receipt of