

APPENDIX A.—FISCAL YEAR 2002 FUNDING AWARDS FOR COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS—Continued

TA Provider	City	State	TA Award
HOPWA TA Awards			
The Enterprise Foundation	Columbia	MD	\$200,000.00
AIDS Housing of Washington	Seattle	WA	1,750,000.00

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR**Office of the Secretary****Advisory Committee on Water Information; Notice of Renewal**

This notice is published in accordance with section 9 (a) (2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463), 5 U.S.C. App. (1988). Following consultation with the General Services Administration, notice is hereby given that the Secretary of the Interior is renewing the Advisory Committee on Water Information (ACWI). OMB Memorandum M-92-01 dated December 10, 1991, designated the U.S. Geological Survey (USGS) as the lead agency for the Water Information Coordination Program (WICP) and also designated all other Federal organizations using water resources information to assist the USGS in ensuring the implementation of an effective WICP.

The purpose of the Committee is to represent the interests of water-information users and professionals in advising the Federal Government on Federal water-information programs and their effectiveness in meeting the Nation's water-information needs. Member organizations help to foster communications between the Federal and non-Federal sectors on sharing water information.

Membership represents a wide range of water resources interests and functions. Representation of the ACWI includes all levels of government, Tribes, public interest groups, academia, private industry, nonprofit and professional organizations. Member organizations designate their representatives and alternates. Membership is limited to a maximum of 35 organizations.

The Committee will function solely as an advisory body and in compliance with the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act. The Charter will be filed under the Act, 15 days from the date of publication of this notice.

Further information regarding the ACWI may be obtained from the Associate Director for Water, USGS, Department of the Interior, 12201 Sunrise Valley Drive, Reston, Virginia 20192. Certification of renewal is published below.

Certification

I hereby certify that the renewal of the Advisory Committee on Water Information is necessary and in the public interest in connection with the performance of duties by the Department of the Interior mandated pursuant to the OMB Memorandum M-92-01.

Dated: May 9, 2003.

Gale A. Norton,

Secretary of the Interior.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR**Fish and Wildlife Service****Issuance of Permit for Incidental Take of Threatened Species Associated With a Habitat Conservation Plan for the Stimson Lumber Company, Montana**

AGENCY: Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of issuance of permit.

SUMMARY: On October 24, 2000, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Service), issued an incidental take permit associated with a habitat conservation plan to Plum Creek Timber Company (Permit Number TE-034609-0) for the incidental take of threatened and endangered species pursuant to section 10(a)(1)(B) of the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (Act). Stimson Lumber Company is in the process of purchasing approximately 11,487 hectares (28,385 acres) of Plum Creek land in Montana covered by the above Incidental Take Permit for the Plum Creek Native Fish Habitat Conservation Plan (NFHCP). Stimson Lumber Company expressed the desire to continue implementing pertinent provisions of the NFHCP on these lands

and to continue to be covered by an Incidental Take Permit. Partial transfer of an Incidental Take Permit is expressly authorized at 50 CFR 13.25

On March 17, 2003, along with the Service and Plum Creek, Stimson Lumber Company entered into an Assignment and Assumption Agreement (partial assignment only, in connection with the sale of the above-mentioned lands) to facilitate the transfer of all relevant obligations of the NFHCP, Implementing Agreement and the permit from Plum Creek to Stimson pursuant to 50 CFR 13.25. On March 21, 2003, Stimson Lumber Company submitted to the Service an application for an Incidental Take Permit, along with the Assignment and Assumption Agreement and a Letter of Agreement to fulfill the requirements of processing the partial transfer of the NFHCP to Stimson Lumber Company and to initiate discussions with the Service concerning an amendment of the NFHCP to include the grizzly bears and implement interim grizzly bear best management practices.

Notice is hereby given that on April 24, 2003, as authorized by the provisions of the Act, the Service issued an Incidental Take Permit (TE-070004) to Stimson Lumber Company subject to certain conditions set forth therein. The permit was granted only after the Service determined that it was applied for in good faith, that granting the permit would not be to the disadvantage of the threatened species, and that it will be consistent with the purposes and policies set forth in the Act, as amended.

Additional information on this partial transfer and permit issuance may be requested by contacting the Regional Habitat Conservation Planning Coordinator, 134 Union Boulevard, Suite 645, Lakewood, Colorado 80228, telephone (303) 236-7400, extension 280.

Dated: April 24, 2003.

Ralph O. Morgenweck,

Regional Director, Denver, Colorado.

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