

Date: July 26, 2022.

Time: 12:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Agenda: To review and evaluate grant applications.

Place: National Institutes of Health, Rockledge II, 6701 Rockledge Drive, Bethesda, MD 20892 (Virtual Meeting).

Contact Person: Raul Rojas, Ph.D., Scientific Review Officer, Center for Scientific Review, National Institutes of Health, 6701 Rockledge Drive, Room 6185, Bethesda, MD 20892, (301) 451-6319, rojasr@mail.nih.gov.

This notice is being published less than 15 days prior to the meeting due to the timing limitations imposed by the review and funding cycle.

(Catalogue of Federal Domestic Assistance Program Nos. 93.306, Comparative Medicine; 93.333, Clinical Research, 93.306, 93.333, 93.337, 93.393-93.396, 93.837-93.844, 93.846-93.878, 93.892, 93.893, National Institutes of Health, HHS)

Dated: July 12, 2022.

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Program Analyst, Office of Federal Advisory Committee Policy.

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**DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR**

**Fish and Wildlife Service**

[FWS-R1-ES-2022-N031; FXES1113010000-223-FF01E00000]

**Endangered Species; Receipt of Recovery Permit Applications**

AGENCY: Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of receipt of permit applications; request for comments.

SUMMARY: We, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, have received applications for permits to conduct activities intended to enhance the propagation and survival of endangered species under the Endangered Species Act. We invite the public and local,

State, Tribal, and Federal agencies to comment on these applications. Before issuing the requested permits, we will take into consideration any information that we receive during the public comment period.

DATES: We must receive your written comments on or before August 15, 2022.

**ADDRESSES:**

Document availability and comment

submission: Submit a request for a copy of the application and related documents and submit any comments by one of the following methods. All requests and comments should specify the applicant name and application number (e.g., Dana Ross, ESPER0001705):

- Email: [permitsR1ES@fws.gov](mailto:permitsR1ES@fws.gov).
- U.S. Mail: Marilet Zablan, Regional Program Manager, Restoration and Endangered Species Classification, Ecological Services, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Pacific Regional Office, 911 NE 11th Avenue, Portland, OR 97232-4181.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Colleen Henson, Regional Recovery Permit Coordinator, Ecological Services, (503) 231-6131 (phone); [permitsR1ES@fws.gov](mailto:permitsR1ES@fws.gov) (email). Individuals in the United States who are deaf, deafblind, hard of hearing, or have a speech disability may dial 711 (TTY, TDD, or TeleBraille) to access

telecommunications relay services. Individuals outside the United States should use the relay services offered within their country to make international calls to the point-of-contact in the United States.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: We, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, invite the public to comment on applications for permits under section 10(a)(1)(A) of the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (ESA; 16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*). The requested permits would allow the applicants to conduct activities intended to promote recovery of species

that are listed as endangered under the ESA.

**Background**

With some exceptions, the ESA prohibits activities that constitute take of listed species unless a Federal permit is issued that allows such activity. The ESA's definition of "take" includes such activities as pursuing, harassing, trapping, capturing, or collecting, in addition to hunting, shooting, harming, wounding, or killing.

A recovery permit issued by us under section 10(a)(1)(A) of the ESA authorizes the permittee to conduct activities with endangered or threatened species for scientific purposes that promote recovery or for enhancement of propagation or survival of the species. These activities often include such prohibited actions as capture and collection. Our regulations implementing section 10(a)(1)(A) for these permits are found in the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) 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.

**Permit Applications Available for Review and Comment**

Proposed activities in the following permit requests are for the recovery and enhancement of propagation or survival of the species in the wild. The ESA requires that we invite public comment before issuing these permits. Accordingly, we invite local, State, Tribal, and Federal agencies and the public to submit written data, views, or arguments with respect to these applications. The comments and recommendations that will be most useful and likely to influence agency decisions are those supported by quantitative information or studies.

Application No.	Applicant, city, state	Species	Location	Take activity	Permit action
ES22353B .....	Center for Natural Lands Management, Temecula, CA.	Taylor's Checkerspot ( <i>Euphydryas editha taylori</i> ).	Oregon and Washington.	Harass by survey, monitor, capture, handle, and release.	Amend.
ES19076C .....	Guam Department of Agriculture, Mangilao, GU.	Mariana eight-spot butterfly ( <i>Hypolimnas octocula marianensis</i> ).	Guam .....	Harass by capture, handle, survey, captive propagation, and release.	Amend.
ES35731D .....	Pūlama Lānai, Lānai City, HI ...	Band-rumped storm-petrel ( <i>Oceanodroma castro</i> ), Hawaiian petrel ( <i>Pterodroma sandwichensis</i> ).	Hawaii .....	Harass by survey, monitor, predator control, and salvage.	Amend.
PER0007997 .....	University of Washington Botanic Gardens, Seattle, WA.	<i>Hackelia venusta</i> (Showy stickseed), <i>Sidalcea oregana</i> var. <i>calva</i> (Wenatchee Mountains checkermallow).	Washington ..	Remove/reduce to possession—survey, collect seeds, propagate, outplant, and monitor.	Amend.
PER0042992 .....	Tyler Breech, Idaho State University, Pocatello, ID.	Lost River sucker ( <i>Deltistes luxatus</i> ), Shortnose sucker ( <i>Chasmistes brevirostris</i> ).	Oregon .....	Harass by survey, capture, handle, and release.	New.

### Public Availability of Comments

Written comments we receive become part of the administrative record associated with this action. 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 request in your comment that we withhold your personal identifying information from public review, we cannot guarantee that we will be able to do so. All submissions from organizations or businesses, and from individuals identifying themselves as representatives or officials of organizations or businesses, will be made available for public disclosure in their entirety.

### Next Steps

If we decide to issue a permit to an applicant listed in this notice, we will publish a notice in the **Federal Register**.

### Authority

We publish this notice under section 10(c) of the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*).

### Marilet A. Zablan,

*Regional Program Manager for Restoration and Endangered Species Classification, Pacific Region.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Office of the Secretary

[Docket No. **DO1–2022–0003**; **223D0102DM**, **DS6CS00000**, **DLSN00000.000000**, **DX.6CS25**]

### Request for Information To Inform Interagency Working Group on Mining Regulations, Laws, and Permitting

**AGENCY:** Department of the Interior.

**ACTION:** Notice of public listening sessions and extension of public comment period.

**SUMMARY:** The Department of the Interior is announcing the dates of public listening sessions the Interagency Working Group on Mining Regulations, Laws, and Permitting is holding to gather information and develop recommendations for improving Federal hardrock mining regulations, laws, and permitting processes. We are also extending the comment period on our March 31, 2022, request for information notice announcing the formation of an

interagency working group to gather information and develop recommendations for improving Federal hardrock mining regulations, laws, and permitting processes.

**DATES:** The public comment period on our request for information notice that published on March 31, 2022, at 86 FR 18811 is extended. Interested persons are invited to submit comments by 11:59 p.m. August 30, 2022.

The interagency group will host virtual public listening sessions at the dates and times below.

- 12:00 p.m.–1:30 p.m. ET Tuesday, July 19th
- 1:00 p.m.–2:30 p.m. ET Thursday, July 21st
- 1:00 p.m.–2:30 p.m. ET Tuesday, July 26th

Please register at the following link to receive further communication regarding the details of the listening session, including an invite.

[https://blm.zoomgov.com/webinar/register/WN\\_7aYgS\\_MQqPSTKR0B88n03A](https://blm.zoomgov.com/webinar/register/WN_7aYgS_MQqPSTKR0B88n03A)

[https://blm.zoomgov.com/webinar/register/WN\\_DECbIn4eQ\\_CwYEpEOM3lpQ](https://blm.zoomgov.com/webinar/register/WN_DECbIn4eQ_CwYEpEOM3lpQ)

[https://blm.zoomgov.com/webinar/register/WN\\_KUjEwhI-Q5qB2ZGYtBbMYA](https://blm.zoomgov.com/webinar/register/WN_KUjEwhI-Q5qB2ZGYtBbMYA)

Listening sessions may end before the time noted above if all those participating have completed their oral comments.

**ADDRESSES:** Comments may be submitted through <https://www.regulations.gov> and will be available for public viewing and inspection. In the Search box, enter the docket number presented above in the document headings. For best results, do not copy and paste the number; instead, type the docket number into the Search box using hyphens. Then, click on the Search button. You may submit a comment by clicking on “Comment.” Comments may also be submitted by mail using the following address: Bureau of Land Management, Division of Solid Minerals, 1849 C Street NW, Room 5645, Washington, DC 20240.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Steven Feldgus, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Land and Minerals Management, (202) 208–6734, or by email at [miningreform@ios.doi.gov](mailto:miningreform@ios.doi.gov). Individuals in the United States who are deaf, deafblind, hard of hearing, or have a speech disability may dial 711 (TTY, TDD, or TeleBraille) to access telecommunications relay services for contacting Mr. Feldgus. Individuals outside the United States should use the relay services offered within their

country to make international calls to the point-of-contact in the United States.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** On February 24, 2021, President Biden signed Executive Order (E.O.) 14017, “America’s Supply Chains.” On June 8, 2021, the White House released the 100-Day reviews directed by E.O. 14017, which included a recommendation for the Federal government to establish “an interagency team with expertise in mine permitting and environmental law to identify gaps in statutes and regulations that may need to be updated to ensure new production meets strong environmental standards throughout the lifecycle of the project; ensure meaningful community consultation and consultation with tribal nations, respecting the government-to-government relationship, at all stages of the mining process; and examine opportunities to reduce time, cost, and risk of permitting without compromising these strong environmental and consultation benchmarks.”<sup>1</sup>

On September 16, 2021, the Department of the Interior (Department) received a petition for rulemaking pursuant to the Department’s regulations at 43 CFR part 14 from 9 Tribal and 31 conservation groups requesting “a rulemaking to strengthen and modernize [the Bureau of Land Management’s] regulations at 43 CFR part 3800 *et seq.*”

On November 15, 2021, President Biden signed the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA); section 40206 of the IIJA, “Critical Minerals Supply Chains and Reliability,” directs the Secretaries of the Interior and Agriculture to submit a report to Congress by November 15, 2022, that “identifies additional measures, including regulatory and legislative proposals, if appropriate, that would increase the timeliness of permitting activities for the exploration and development of domestic critical minerals.”

To respond to these directives and the rulemaking petition, the Department has created an interagency working group (IWG) on Federal hardrock mining laws, regulations, and permitting, chaired by the Department and including the Department of Agriculture through the U.S. Forest Service; the Environmental

<sup>1</sup> The White House, *Building Resilient Supply Chains, Revitalizing American Manufacturing, and Fostering Broad-Based Growth*, June 2021, p. 14. <https://www.whitehouse.gov/briefing-room/statements-releases/2021/06/08/fact-sheet-biden-harris-administration-announces-supply-chain-disruptions-task-force-to-address-short-term-supply-chain-discontinuities/>.