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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: We, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, invite review and comment from the public and local, State, Tribal, and Federal agencies on applications we have received for permits to conduct certain activities with endangered and threatened species under section 10(a)(1)(A) of the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (ESA; 16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*), and our regulations in the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) at 50 CFR part 17. Documents and other information submitted with the

applications are available for review, subject to the requirements of the Privacy Act and the Freedom of Information Act.

Background

With some exceptions, the ESA prohibits take of listed species unless a Federal permit is issued that authorizes such take. The ESA’s definition of “take” includes hunting, shooting, harming, wounding, or killing, and also such activities as pursuing, harassing, trapping, capturing, or collecting.

A recovery permit issued by us under section 10(a)(1)(A) of the ESA authorizes the permittee to take endangered or threatened species while engaging in activities that are conducted for scientific purposes that promote recovery of species or for enhancement of propagation or survival of species. These activities often include the capture and collection of species, which would result in prohibited take if a permit were not issued. Our regulations

implementing section 10(a)(1)(A) for these permits are found 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

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. Proposed activities in the following permit requests are for the recovery and enhancement of propagation or survival of the species in the wild.

Permit No.	Applicant	Species	Location	Activity	Permit action
ES-067734	Badlands National Park, Interior, SD.	• Black-footed ferret (<i>Mustela nigripes</i>).	South Dakota	Capture, vaccinate, mark, collect biological samples, tag, and release.	Renew
ES-131638	Loveland Living Planet Aquarium, Draper, UT.	• Virgin River chub (<i>Gila seminuda (=robusta)</i>) Woundfin (<i>Plagopterus argentissimus</i>).	Utah	Capture, handle, hold in captivity, propagate, display for educational purposes, release, and conduct scientific studies.	Renew and amend
ES-069553	Nebraska National Forests and Grasslands, Wall, SD.	• Black-footed ferret (<i>Mustela nigripes</i>).	South Dakota	Capture, vaccinate, mark, collect biological samples, tag, and release.	Renew
PER12020441	University of Nebraska, Lincoln, NE.	• Salt Creek tiger beetle (<i>Cicindela nevadica lincolniiana</i>).	Nebraska	Receive larval specimens for rearing in captivity, conduct genetic research, and reintroduce into the wild.	New
PER12033146	HDR, Inc., Fort Collins, CO.	Southwestern willow flycatcher (<i>Empidonax traillii extimus</i>).	Colorado	Play taped vocalizations for surveys	New
ES-145090	Wind Cave National Park, Hot Springs, SD.	Black-footed ferret (<i>Mustela nigripes</i>).	South Dakota	Capture, vaccinate, mark, collect biological samples, tag, and release.	Renew

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 ask us in your comment to 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.*).

Marjorie Nelson,
Assistant Regional Director, Mountain-Prairie Region.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

National Park Service

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Notice of Intent To Extend and Continue Concession Contracts and Award Temporary Concession Contracts

AGENCY: National Park Service, Interior.
ACTION: Public notice.

SUMMARY: Under the terms of the concession contracts identified in the tables below and its regulations, the National Park Service gives public notice that it intends to: extend each concession contract listed in table 1 below until the date shown in the “Extension Expiration Date” column or until the effective date of a new

contract, whichever comes first; continue each concession contract listed in table 2 below until the date shown in the “Continuation Expiration Date” column or until the effective date of a new contract, whichever comes first; and award the temporary concession contracts listed in table 3 below.

DATES: The National Park Service intends that the concession contract extensions, continuations, and temporary concession contracts will be effective on the dates shown in the tables below, as applicable.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Kurt Rausch, Program Chief, Commercial Services Program, National Park Service, 1849 C Street NW, Mail Stop 2410, Washington, DC 20240; Telephone: 202-513-7156.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Under 36 CFR 51.23, the National Park Service proposes to extend each contract listed in table 1 until the date shown in the

“Extension Expiration Date” column or until the effective date of a new contract, whichever comes first. The National Park Service has determined that the proposed extensions are necessary to avoid an interruption of visitor services and has taken all reasonable and appropriate steps to consider alternatives to avoid such an interruption. The extension of the existing contracts does not confer or affect any rights with respect to the award of new contracts.

The concession contracts listed in table 2 below have been extended for the maximum time allowable under 36 CFR 51.23. Under the provisions of the existing contracts and pending the issuance of prospectuses and the completion of the public solicitation process to award new concession contracts, the National Park Service intends to continue the existing contracts until the date shown in the “Continuation Expiration Date” column

or until the effective date of a new contract, whichever comes first. The continuation of the existing contracts does not confer or affect any rights with respect to the award of new concession contracts.

The National Park Service proposes awarding temporary concession contracts, in accordance with 36 CFR 51.24(a), to provide the visitor services currently provided under the contracts listed in table 3 below. The temporary contracts will have a term not to exceed 3 years and will be awarded to a qualified person. The National Park Service anticipates that the temporary contracts will be effective on the date shown in the “Effective Date” column. This notice is not a request for proposals.

The publication of this notice reflects the intent of the National Park Service but does not bind the National Park Service to extend, continue, or award any of the contracts listed below.

TABLE 1—CONCESSION CONTRACTS EXTENDED UNTIL THE EXPIRATION DATE SHOWN OR UNTIL THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF A NEW CONTRACT, WHICHEVER COMES FIRST

Park unit	CONCID	Concessioner	Extension effective date	Extension expiration date
Blue Ridge PW	BLRI010-13	Price Lake Boat Rentals, Inc.	4/1/2025	3/31/2026
Blue Ridge PW	BLRI008-13	Southern Highland Handicraft Guild, Inc. ...	2/1/2025	1/31/2026
Buffalo NR	BUFF002-13	Lost Valley Canoe and Lodging, Inc.	1/1/2025	12/31/2025
Buffalo NR	BUFF004-13	Ozark Bison LLC	1/1/2025	12/31/2025
Buffalo NR	BUFF005-13	Silver Hill Canoe, Inc.	1/1/2025	12/31/2025
Buffalo NR	BUFF009-13	Buffalo Outdoor Center, Inc.	1/1/2025	12/31/2025
Buffalo NR	BUFF010-13	Buffalo River Outfitters, Inc.	1/1/2025	12/31/2025
Buffalo NR	BUFF011-13	Charles Raulston	1/1/2025	12/31/2025
Buffalo NR	BUFF014-13	Christopher Crockett	1/1/2025	12/31/2025
Buffalo NR	BUFF015-13	Buffalo Camping & Canoeing, Inc.	1/1/2025	12/31/2025
Buffalo NR	BUFF016-13	Buffalo River Float Service, LLC	1/1/2025	12/31/2025
Buffalo NR	BUFF018-13	Buffalo River Canoes, Inc.	1/1/2025	12/31/2025
Buffalo NR	BUFF019-13	Dirst Canoe Rental, Inc.	1/1/2025	12/31/2025
Buffalo NR	BUFF022-13	Bill Scruggs, Inc.	1/1/2025	12/31/2025
Canyonlands NP	CANY026-15	Canyonlands River Tours, LLC	1/1/2025	12/31/2025
Canyonlands NP	CANY027-15	Meander Canyon Transportation, Inc.	1/1/2025	12/31/2025
Cape Cod NS	CACO003-14	Johnson Golf Management, Inc.	5/28/2025	5/27/2026
Cape Lookout NS	CALO001-14	Island Express Ferry Service, LLC	1/1/2025	12/31/2025
Delaware Water Gap NRA	DEWA001-15	Rivers Ridge Properties, LLC	1/1/2026	12/31/2027
Dry Tortugas NP	DRTO002-15	Key West Seaplane Adventures, LLC	9/15/2025	9/14/2026
Everglades NP	EVER004-11	TRF Concession Specialists of Florida, Inc.	1/1/2025	12/31/2025
Gateway NRA	GATE015-03	ARKLOW-FBF LLC	4/15/2025	4/14/2026
Gateway NRA	GATE021-12	JAYBAY, LLC	1/1/2025	12/31/2026
Gateway NRA	GATE023-12	JAYBAY, LLC	1/1/2025	12/31/2026
Glacier Bay NP&P	GLBA008-18	Haines Rafting Company, LLC	1/1/2025	12/31/2025
Glacier Bay NP&P	GLBA011-18	Chilkat Guides, Ltd.	1/1/2025	12/31/2025
Glacier Bay NP&P	GLBA012-18	Colorado River and Trail Expeditions, Inc.	1/1/2025	12/31/2025
Glacier Bay NP&P	GLBA013-18	Momentum Alaska, Inc.	1/1/2025	12/31/2025
Glacier Bay NP&P	GLBA014-18	Mountain Travel	1/1/2025	12/31/2025
Glacier Bay NP&P	GLBA017-18	Wilderness River Outfitters and Trail Expeditions Inc..	1/1/2025	12/31/2025
Glacier NP	GLAC004-15	Belton Chalets, Inc.	1/1/2025	12/31/2025
Glen Canyon NRA	GLCA007-03	Antelope Point Holdings, LLC	1/1/2025	12/31/2025
Grand Teton NP	GRTE001-07	Grand Teton Lodge Company	1/1/2025	12/31/2025
Grand Teton NP	GRTE004-12	Triangle X Partnership	11/1/2026	10/31/2027
Grand Teton NP	GRTE005-13	The American Alpine Club	1/1/2025	12/31/2025
Hot Springs NP	HOSP002-12	Buckstaff Bath House Company	1/1/2025	12/31/2025
Katmai NP&P	KATM001-16	Katmailand, Inc.	1/1/2026	12/31/2026
North Cascades NP	LACH003-12	Guest Services, Inc.	3/1/2025	2/28/2026
Ozark NSR	OZAR012-14	O D Blackwell1, LLC	1/1/2025	12/31/2025
Sequoia & Kings Canyon NPs ...	SEKI001-19	Timothy B. Loverin	1/1/2025	12/31/2025

TABLE 2—CONCESSION CONTRACTS CONTINUED UNTIL THE EXPIRATION DATE SHOWN OR UNTIL THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF A NEW CONTRACT, WHICHEVER COMES FIRST

Park unit	CONCID	Concessioner	Continuation effective date	Continuation expiration date
Glen Canyon NRA	GLCA002–88	ARAMARK Sports and Entertainment Services, LLC.	1/1/2025	12/31/2025
Glen Canyon NRA	GLCA003–69	ARAMARK Sports and Entertainment Services, LLC.	1/1/2025	12/31/2025
Lake Mead NRA	LAKE002–82	LMNRA Guest Services, LLC	1/1/2025	12/31/2025
Lake Mead NRA	LAKE005–97	LMNRA Guest Services, LLC	1/1/2025	12/31/2025
Lake Mead NRA	LAKE006–74	Las Vegas Boat Harbor, Inc.	1/1/2025	12/31/2025
Lake Mead NRA	LAKE009–88	LMNRA Guest Services, LLC	1/1/2025	12/31/2025

TABLE 3—TEMPORARY CONCESSION CONTRACT

Park unit	CONCID	Services	Effective date
Ozark NSR	OZAR011–12	Canoe and tube rentals with shuttle service, retail, and firewood sales.	1/1/2025
Great Smoky Mountains NP	GRSM002–22	Lodging, food and beverage, and retail	1/1/2025

Justin Unger,
Associate Director, Business Services.
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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
Bureau of Ocean Energy Management
[Docket No. BOEM–2024–0054]

Notice of Availability of a Final Programmatic Environmental Impact Statement for Expected Wind Energy Development in the New York Bight

AGENCY: Bureau of Ocean Energy Management, Interior.
ACTION: Notice of availability; final programmatic environmental impact statement.

SUMMARY: The Bureau of Ocean Energy Management (BOEM) announces the availability of the final programmatic environmental impact statement (PEIS) to analyze the potential impacts of wind energy development in six lease areas of the New York (NY) Bight. The Proposed Action for the final PEIS is the identification of specific measures at the programmatic stage that could avoid, minimize, mitigate, or monitor potential impacts. The final PEIS will inform BOEM’s decision about whether to identify certain avoidance, minimization, mitigation, and monitoring (AMMM) measures at this stage that could potentially be required as conditions of approval for activities proposed by NY Bight lessees in their construction and operations plans (COPs) or defer the identification of such measures to each project-specific environmental review.

ADDRESSES: The final PEIS can be found on the NY Bight website at: <https://www.boem.gov/renewable-energy/state-activities/new-york-bight>.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Jill Lewandowski, BOEM Office of Environmental Programs, 45600 Woodland Road, VAM–OEP, Sterling, Virginia 20166, (703) 787–1703 or jill.lewandowski@boem.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:
Proposed Action: The final PEIS analyzes the development of both one and six representative projects, including associated export cables, within a range of design parameters informed by lessees, for the NY Bight and considers the potential environmental impacts of that development. The Proposed Action for the PEIS is the identification of measures at the programmatic stage that could avoid, minimize, mitigate, and monitor impacts. BOEM may require some or all of these measures as conditions of approval for activities proposed by lessees in COPs submitted for the six NY Bight lease areas. BOEM may require additional or different measures based on subsequent, project-specific environmental analyses. These AMMM measures are considered programmatic insofar as they may be applied to COPs for the six NY Bight lease areas, not because they necessarily will apply to COPs under BOEM’s renewable energy program outside of the NY Bight area. The PEIS analyzes the potential impacts of development in the NY Bight area and how those impacts can be avoided, minimized, or mitigated by AMMM measures. The alternatives analyzed do not involve any final actions by BOEM or lessees.

Alternatives: BOEM considered 19 alternatives when preparing the draft PEIS and carried forward three alternatives for further analysis in the final PEIS. These three alternatives include two action alternatives and the no action alternative. Sixteen alternatives were rejected because they did not meet the purpose and need for the proposed action or did not meet screening criteria, which are presented in Chapter 2 of the final PEIS. The screening criteria included consistency with law and regulations, technical and economic feasibility, environmental impact, and geographic considerations.

Availability of the Final PEIS: The final PEIS and associated information are available on the New York Bight website at: <https://www.boem.gov/renewable-energy/state-activities/new-york-bight>. BOEM has distributed digital copies of the final PEIS to all parties listed in Appendix N of the final PEIS. If you need a flash drive or paper copy, BOEM will provide one upon request as long as copies are available. You may request a flash drive or paper copy of the final PEIS by calling (703) 787–1703.

Cooperating Agencies: The following 13 Federal, State, and local agencies participated as cooperating agencies in the preparation of the final PEIS: the Bureau of Safety and Environmental Enforcement; U.S. Environmental Protection Agency; National Marine Fisheries Service; U.S. Army Corps of Engineers; U.S. Coast Guard; U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service; National Park Service; New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection; New Bedford Port Authority; New York State Department of State; New York State Department of Environmental Compliance; New Jersey Board of Public