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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Office of the Assistant Secretary— Water and Science; Environmental Assessment for the Proposed Restoration of a Portion of Lower Hobble Creek

AGENCY: Central Utah Project Completion Act Completion Office, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of intent.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to Section 102(2)(c) of the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, as amended, the Department of the Interior, the Central Utah Water Conservancy District, and the Utah Reclamation Mitigation and Conservation Commission, as joint leads, are initiating an Environmental Assessment of the impacts associated with the proposed restoration of the eastern portion of Lower Hobble Creek, near Springville, Utah. This restoration effort is intended to facilitate the recovery of the June Sucker (Chasmistes liorus), a Federally listed endangered species, through improvement of spawning habitat and maintenance of stream flow. It is anticipated that the resultant effort would include the possible restoration of approximately 2 miles of stream channel, potential modification or removal of several existing barriers to fish passage, and enhancement of the existing water

DATES: Date and location for public scoping will be announced locally. **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Contact Mr. Lee Baxter at (801) 379–1174, or by e-mail at *lbaxter@usbr.gov*.

Reed R. Murray,

Program Director, Central Utah Project Completion Act, Department of the Interior. [FR Doc. 2011–6090 Filed 3–15–11; 8:45 am]

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Fish and Wildlife Service

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Endangered Species Recovery Permit Applications

AGENCY: Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.

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

SUMMARY: We, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, invite the public to comment on the following applications to conduct certain activities with endangered species. With some exceptions, the Endangered Species Act (Act) prohibits activities with endangered and threatened species unless a Federal permit allows such activity. The Act also requires that we invite public comment before issuing these permits.

DATES: Comments on these permit applications must be received on or before April 15, 2011.

ADDRESSES: Written data or comments should be submitted to the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Endangered Species Program Manager, Region 8, 2800 Cottage Way, Room W–2606, Sacramento, CA 95825 (telephone: 916–414–6464; fax: 916–414–6486). Please refer to the respective permit number for each application when submitting comments.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Daniel Marquez, Fish and Wildlife Biologist; see ADDRESSES (telephone: 760–431–9440; fax: 760–431–9624).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The following applicants have applied for scientific research permits to conduct certain activities with endangered species under section 10(a)(1)(A) of the Act (16 U.S.C. 1531 et seq.). We seek review and comment from local, State, and Federal agencies and the public on the following permit requests. Before including your address, phone number, e-mail 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.

Permit No. TE-815214

Applicant: Oceano Dunes State Vehicular Recreation Area, Arroyo Grande, California.

The applicant requests an amendment to an existing permit (February 13, 2008, 73 FR 8344) to take (set up and use remote sensing cameras to document and identify predation) the California least tern (Sterna antillarumbrowni) in conjunction with population monitoring and predator management activities in San Luis Obispo and Santa Barbara

Counties, California, for the purpose of enhancing their survival.

Permit No. TE-33863A

Applicant: Deborah K. Blackburn, Austin, Texas.

The applicant requests apermitto take (harass by survey) the southwestern willow flycatcher (*Empidonaxtrailliiextimus*) in conjunction with surveys and population monitoring activities throughout the range of the species in California and Nevada for the purpose of enhancing its survival.

Permit No. TE-064431

Applicant: Aztec Engineering Group Inc., Phoenix, Arizona.

The applicant requests an amendment to an existing permit (February 10, 2011, 76 FR 7577) to take (harass by survey and monitor nests) the southwestern willow flycatcher (Empidonaxtrailliiextimus), and take (harass by survey) the Yuma clapper rail (Ralluslongirostrisyumanensis) in conjunction with surveys and population monitoring activities throughout the range of each species in California and Nevada for the purpose of enhancing their survival.

Permit No. TE-027422

Applicant: Brian T. Pittman, Petaluma, California.

The applicant requests an amendment to an existing permit (June 20, 2000, 65 FR 38297) to take (harass by survey, capture, handle, measure, and release) the arroyo toad (*Anaxyruscalifornicus*), and take (harass by survey, capture, handle, mark, collect biological samples, collect voucher specimens) the California tiger salamander (*Ambystomacaliforniense*) in conjunction with surveys, genetic study, and population monitoring activities throughout the range of each species in California for the purpose of enhancing their survival.

Permit No. TE-213726

Applicant: Joelle J. Fournier, San Diego, California.

The applicant requests an amendment to an existing permit (May 3, 2010, 75 FR 23287) to take (harass by survey, trap, capture, band adults, erect fence, use cameras, handle, transport sick and injured chicks and adults, and collect and transport abandoned eggs) the California least tern (Sterna antillarumbrowni) in conjunction with surveys, population monitoring and rehabilitation activities at Camp Pendleton Marine Base, Naval Amphibious Base Coronado, Naval Air