

issuance criteria of section 10(a)(1)(B) of the ESA have been met. If met, the Service will issue the requested ITP to the applicant.

Request for Public Comments

The Service invites comments and suggestions from all interested parties on the proposed habitat conservation plan (HCP) and screening form during a 30-day public comment period (see **DATES**). Information and comments regarding the following topics are requested:

1. Whether the adaptive management, monitoring, and mitigation provisions in the proposed HCP are sufficient;
2. The requested 6-year ITP term;
3. Any threats to the Indiana bat and the northern long-eared bat that may influence their populations over the life of the ITP that are not addressed in the proposed HCP or screening form;
4. Any new information on white-nose syndrome effects on the Indiana bat and the northern long-eared bat;
5. Whether or not the significance of the impact on various aspects of the human environment has been adequately analyzed; and
6. Any other information pertinent to evaluating the effects of the proposed action on the human environment, including those on the Indiana bat and the northern long-eared bat.

Availability of Public Comments

You may submit comments by one of the methods shown under **ADDRESSES**. We will post on <https://www.regulations.gov> all public comments and information received electronically or via hardcopy. All comments received, including names and addresses, will 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.

Authority

We provide this notice under section 10(c) of the Endangered Species Act (16

U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*) and its implementing regulations (50 CFR 17.22) and the National Environmental Policy Act (42 U.S.C. 4371 *et seq.*) and its implementing regulations (40 CFR 1500–1508; 43 CFR part 46).

Lori Nordstrom,

Assistant Regional Director, Ecological Services.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

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Notice of Application for Withdrawal Extension and Opportunity for Public Meeting for the Wheeler Creek Research Natural Area, Oregon

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of withdrawal application.

SUMMARY: The United States Department of Agriculture, United States Forest Service (USFS), has filed an application with the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) requesting that the Secretary of the Interior extend Public Land Order (PLO) No. 6476, as extended by PLO No. 7572, for an additional 20 years. PLO No. 6476 as extended withdrew 334 acres of National Forest System land from location and entry under the United States mining laws for 20 years, subject to valid existing rights, for protection of the Wheeler Creek Research Natural Area. This notice advises the public of a 90-day opportunity to comment on this application for a withdrawal extension and to request a public meeting.

DATES: Comments and requests for a public meeting must be received by May 8, 2023.

ADDRESSES: All comments and meeting requests should be sent to the BLM Oregon/Washington State Director, P.O. Box 2965, Portland, Oregon 97208. The application and case file are available for public examination by interested persons by appointment at the BLM Public Room, 1220 SW 3rd Ave., 11th Floor, Portland, Oregon 97208 during regular business hours 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday except holidays. Please call 503–808–6001 to make an appointment.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Luke Poff, Realty Specialist, BLM Oregon/Washington State Office, (503) 808–6249, by email at lpoff@blm.gov, or

at the address noted earlier. The USFS can be reached at the Rogue River-Siskiyou National Forest Supervisor's Office, 3040 Biddle Road, Medford, Oregon 97504, (541) 618–2200.

Individuals in the United States who are deaf, blind, 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: The withdrawal established by PLO No. 6476 (48 FR 45395), as extended by PLO No. 7572 (68 FR 42127), is incorporated by reference. PLO No. 6476 withdrew 334 acres of National Forest System land in the Rogue River-Siskiyou National Forest from location and entry under the United States mining laws to protect the Wheeler Creek Research Natural Area, which was established to represent undisturbed examples of redwood (*Eucalyptus transcontinentalis*) at the northern limits of its range. The legal land description for PLO No. 6476 is on file with the BLM. Unless further extended, the withdrawal will expire on October 4, 2023. The USFS has requested that this withdrawal be extended for an additional 20 years.

The use of a right-of-way, interagency agreement, or cooperative agreement would not adequately preserve the unique resources located at this site. There are no suitable alternative sites since preserving the unique resource within the lands described in PLO No. 6476 is the reason for the application for withdrawal extension.

No water rights will be needed to fulfill the purpose of this requested withdrawal extension.

Mining would be inconsistent with preservation of the area.

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 personally identifying information—may be made publicly available at any time. While you may ask the BLM in your comment to withhold your personal identifying information from public review, we cannot guarantee that we will be able to do so.

Notice is hereby given that an opportunity for a public meeting may be afforded in connection with the application for withdrawal extension. All interested persons who desire a public meeting for the purpose of being

heard on the application for this withdrawal extension must submit a written request to the State Director, BLM Oregon/Washington State Office at the address in the **ADDRESSES** section, within 90 days from the date of publication of this notice. If the authorized officer determines that a public meeting will be held, a notice of the date, time, and place will be published in the **Federal Register** and local newspapers and posted on the BLM website at: www.blm.gov at least 30 days before the scheduled date of the meeting. This withdrawal extension application will be processed in accordance with the regulations set forth in 43 CFR 2310.4.

(Authority: 43 CFR 2310.3–1.)

Dustin Webster-Wharton,

Branch Chief, Lands, Minerals, Energy Resources—Acting.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

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Notice of Availability of the Final Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement for the Willow Master Development Plan, Alaska

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of Availability.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, as amended, the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) has prepared a Final Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Willow Master Development Plan (MDP), and by this notice is announcing its publication.

DATES: The BLM will issue a Record of Decision (ROD) for the project no earlier than 30 days from the date the Environmental Protection Agency publishes its Notice of Availability of the Final Supplemental EIS in the **Federal Register**.

ADDRESSES: To access the Final Supplemental EIS please visit the project's National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) Register website:

- BLM's NEPA Register website: <https://eplanning.blm.gov/eplanning-ui/project/109410/510>

To request an electronic or paper copy of the Final SEIS, please reach out to:

- Mail: 222 W. 7th Avenue, Stop #13, Anchorage, Alaska 99513

Documents pertinent to this proposal, including the Draft SEIS, may be examined at the NEPA Register website. <https://eplanning.blm.gov/eplanning-ui/project/109410/510>

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Carrie Cecil at (907) 271–1306, or by email at ccecil@blm.gov, on questions specific to NEPA or to have your name added to our mailing list. Individuals in the United States who are deaf, blind, 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: The Willow Master Development Plan Final Supplemental EIS analyzes an oil and gas development project proposed by ConocoPhillips Alaska, Inc. on Federal oil and gas leases it holds in the northeast region of the National Petroleum Reserve in Alaska. The Willow project was originally analyzed in the 2020 Willow MDP/Final EIS and authorized in a ROD issued in October 2020. In August 2021, the U.S. District Court for the District of Alaska vacated the ROD and remanded the matter to BLM to correct deficiencies in the EIS regarding analysis of foreign greenhouse gas emissions and screening of alternatives for detailed analysis. To comply with this ruling, the BLM made numerous updates to the analysis, including development of a new alternative (Alternative E) that substantially reduces infrastructure in the Teshekpuk Lake Special Area. The BLM has identified Alternative E and Module Delivery Option 3 as its preferred alternative. The Draft Supplemental EIS was issued on July 15, 2022, with opportunity for public comment. This Final Supplemental EIS complies with all applicable laws and current Department of the Interior guidance, including (but not limited to) NEPA, the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976, the Alaska National Interest Lands Conservation Act, and the Naval Petroleum Reserves Production Act.

Authority: 40 CFR 1506.6(b).

Steven Cohn,

State Director, BLM Alaska.

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DEPARTMENT OF INTERIOR

National Park Service

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Determination of Eligibility for Consideration as Wilderness Areas, Big Bend National Park

AGENCY: National Park Service, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of Determination of Wilderness Eligibility for Lands in Big Bend National Park.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to the Wilderness Act of 1964, and in accordance with National Park Service (NPS) *Management Policies 2006* (MP 2006), Section 6.2.1, the NPS has completed a Wilderness Eligibility Assessment to determine if lands within the North Rosillos (Harte Ranch) section of Big Bend National Park meet criteria indicating eligibility for preservation as wilderness. The NPS has concluded that 63,505 acres of the 67,135 acres assessed are found to be eligible for inclusion in the wilderness preservation system because they have wilderness criteria described in the Wilderness Act of 1964. This acreage represents 7.9% of the park's total 801,365 acres.

ADDRESSES: Maps of the lands assessed are on file at Big Bend National Park Headquarters, 1 Alsate Drive, Big Bend National Park, Texas.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Superintendent Bob Krumenaker, Big Bend National Park Superintendent, P.O. Box 129, Big Bend National Park, TX 79834. Phone (432) 477–1102, Email bob_krumenaker@nps.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Big Bend National Park staff reviewed the Primary Eligibility Criteria, Section 6.2.1.1 of MP 2006 to evaluate the wilderness eligibility of the North Rosillos area, which was authorized in 1980 to be added to the national park. All of the lands within the expanded boundary were assessed except for one large inholding of approximately 25,000 acres. Of the park's original 700,000 acres, 538,250 acres within the park had been recommended to U.S. Congress for formal wilderness designation in 1978 (67% of the park), and an additional 44,750 acres were recommended for potential wilderness (6% of the park).

Public notices announcing the park's intention to conduct this assessment were placed in the **Federal Register** May 3, 2000, and public meetings that were announced by mailings and newsletters were conducted in four Texas communities in May, 2000. While a draft memo called a Wilderness