

T. 7 N., R. 78 W.,  
Secs. 5 to 8, inclusive;  
Secs. 17 to 20, inclusive;  
Secs. 29 to 32, inclusive.  
Containing approximately 5,789 acres.

T. 7 N., R. 79 W.,  
Secs. 1 to 36, inclusive.  
Containing approximately 21,756 acres.

T. 6 N., R. 80 W.,  
Secs. 1 to 36, inclusive.  
Containing approximately 22,352 acres.

T. 7 N., R. 80 W.,  
Secs. 1, 2, and 3;  
Secs. 10 to 15, inclusive;  
Secs. 22 to 27, inclusive;  
Secs. 34, 35, and 36.  
Containing approximately 10,780 acres.

T. 6 N., R. 81 W.,  
Secs. 12, 13, and 14;  
Secs. 22 to 28, inclusive;  
Secs. 33 to 36, inclusive.  
Containing approximately 7,665 acres.  
Aggregating approximately 77,947 acres.

Notice of the decision will also be published four times in the Tundra Drums.

**DATES:** The time limits for filing an appeal are:

1. Any party claiming a property interest which is adversely affected by the decision shall have until February 16, 2010 to file an appeal.

2. Parties receiving service of the decision by certified mail shall have 30 days from the date of receipt to file an appeal.

Parties who do not file an appeal in accordance with the requirements of 43 CFR part 4, subpart E, shall be deemed to have waived their rights.

**ADDRESSES:** A copy of the decision may be obtained from: Bureau of Land Management, Alaska State Office, 222 West Seventh Avenue, #13, Anchorage, Alaska 99513-7504.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** The Bureau of Land Management by phone at 907-271-5960, or by e-mail at [ak.blm.conveyance@ak.blm.gov](mailto:ak.blm.conveyance@ak.blm.gov). Persons who use a telecommunication device (TTD) may call the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) at 1-800-877-8339, 24 hours a day, seven days a week, to contact the Bureau of Land Management.

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Bureau of Land Management

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#### Alaska Native Claims Selection

**AGENCY:** Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

**ACTION:** Notice of decision approving lands for conveyance.

**SUMMARY:** As required by 43 CFR 2650.7(d), notice is hereby given that an appealable decision approving the surface and subsurface estates in certain lands for conveyance pursuant to the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act will be issued to Doyon, Limited. The lands are in the vicinity of Tanana, Alaska, and are located in:

#### Fairbanks Meridian, Alaska

T. 5 N., R. 23 W.,  
Secs. 31 to 36, inclusive.  
Containing approximately 3,839 acres.

Notice of the decision will also be published four times in the Fairbanks Daily News-Miner.

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Bureau of Land Management

## DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

### U.S. Forest Service

#### Notice of Call for Nominations for Appointment of Primary and Alternate Representatives for the City of Palm Desert to the Santa Rosa and San Jacinto Mountains National Monument Advisory Committee

**AGENCY:** Bureau of Land Management, Interior; and U.S. Forest Service, Agriculture.

**ACTION:** Notice of call for nominations.

**SUMMARY:** This notice constitutes an open call to the public to submit nomination applications for one primary representative and one alternate representative for the City of Palm Desert, California, to the Santa Rosa and San Jacinto Mountains National Monument Advisory Committee. Terms will begin on the date of appointment and will expire on December 16, 2011.

**DATES:** Nomination applications must be submitted to the address listed below no later than January 29, 2010.

**ADDRESSES:** Santa Rosa and San Jacinto Mountains National Monument Office, *Attn:* National Monument Manager, Advisory Committee Nomination Application, 1201 Bird Center Drive, Palm Springs, California 92262.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Jim Foote, National Monument Manager, Santa Rosa and San Jacinto Mountains National Monument, telephone (760) 833-7136; e-mail [jfoote@ca.blm.gov](mailto:jfoote@ca.blm.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** In accordance with the Santa Rosa and San Jacinto Mountains National Monument Act of 2000 (Pub. L. 106-351), the Secretary of the Interior and the Secretary of Agriculture (Secretaries) have jointly established an advisory committee for the Santa Rosa and San Jacinto Mountains National Monument under the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act. The purpose of the National Monument Advisory Committee (MAC) is to advise the Secretaries with respect to implementation of the National Monument Management Plan.

The MAC holds public meetings at least once per year. The Designated Federal Officer (DFO), or his/her designee, may convene additional meetings as necessary. All MAC members are volunteers serving without pay. Members of the MAC may be reappointed upon expiration of the member's current term.

All applicants must be citizens of the United States. Members are appointed by the Secretary of the Interior with concurrence by the Secretary of Agriculture. Applicants must be qualified through education, training, knowledge, or experience to give informed advice regarding an industry, discipline, or interest to be represented.

There is no limit to the number of nomination applications which may be submitted for the City of Palm Desert positions. Any individual may nominate himself or herself for appointment. Completed nomination applications should include letters of reference and/or recommendations from the City of Palm Desert, and any other information explaining the nominee's qualifications (e.g., resume, curriculum vitae).

Nomination application packages are available at the address listed in the "ADDRESSES" section, through the Santa Rosa and San Jacinto Mountains National Monument Web site at [http://www.blm.gov/ca/st/en/fo/palmsprings/santarosa/mac\\_nominations.html](http://www.blm.gov/ca/st/en/fo/palmsprings/santarosa/mac_nominations.html), via telephone request at (760) 833-7100, or through an e-mail request to [jfoote@ca.blm.gov](mailto:jfoote@ca.blm.gov).

Each application package includes forms from the U.S. Department of the Interior and U.S. Department of Agriculture. All submitted nomination applications become the property of the Department of the Interior, Bureau of Land Management, and Santa Rosa and San Jacinto Mountains National Monument, and will not be returned. Nomination applications can only be applied to the current open public call for nominations.

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**Laurie Rosenthal,**

District Ranger, San Jacinto Ranger District, San Bernardino National Forest, U.S. Forest Service.

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Fish and Wildlife Service

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### Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plants; Permits; Timber Harvest in Williamsburg County, SC

**AGENCY:** Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.

**ACTION:** Notice of receipt of application for an incidental take permit (ITP);

availability of proposed low-effect habitat conservation plan (HCP); request for comment/information.

**SUMMARY:** We, the Fish and Wildlife Service (Service), announce the availability of an incidental take permit (ITP) application and habitat conservation plan (HCP). Virginia H. McIntosh (applicant) requests a 5-year ITP under the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (Act). The applicant anticipates taking two red-cockaded woodpecker (*Picoides borealis*) (RCW) groups incidental to timber harvesting in Williamsburg County, South Carolina (project). The applicant's HCP describes the mitigation and minimization measures the applicant proposes to address the effects of the project to the RCW.

**DATES:** We must receive any written comments on the ITP application and HCP on or before February 16, 2010.

**ADDRESSES:** If you wish to review the application and HCP, you may write the Field Supervisor at our Jacksonville Field Office, 7915 Baymeadows Way, Suite 200, Jacksonville, FL 32256 or make an appointment to visit during normal business hours. If you wish to comment, you may mail or hand deliver comments to the Jacksonville Field Office, or you may e-mail comments to [paula\\_sisson@fws.gov](mailto:paula_sisson@fws.gov). For more information on reviewing documents and public comments and submitting comments, see **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION**.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Paula Sisson, Fish and Wildlife Biologist, Jacksonville Field Office (see **ADDRESSES**); telephone: 904/731-3134.

### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

#### Public Availability of Comments

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.

Please reference permit number TE236127-0 for the applicant for all requests or comments. If you do not receive a confirmation from us that we have received your e-mail message, contact us directly at the telephone number listed under **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**.

### Background

The RCW is a territorial, nonmigratory species. It is the only North American woodpecker to excavate roost and nest cavities in living pine trees. This species' use of live pines may have evolved in response to living in a fire-maintained ecosystem where frequent fires, primarily in the growing season, eliminated most standing dead pines (snags).

The RCW has declined primarily due to conversion of mature pine forests to young pine plantations, agricultural fields, and residential and commercial development, and also because of hardwood encroachment in existing pine forests due to fire suppression. Presently, the largest known populations occur on federally owned lands such as military installations and national forests.

### Applicant's Proposal

The applicant is requesting take of two groups of RCWs incidental to the project. The 286-acre (ac) project is located on SC County Road 158, 9.8 miles northwest of the Town of Kingstree, Williamsburg County, South Carolina. The proposed project includes the harvest of 73.8 ac of long leaf pine flatwoods mixed with isolated pond pine wetlands, pine flatwoods, and agricultural fields, which are currently the only remaining foraging habitat for the two groups of RCWs. The applicant proposes to mitigate for the take of the two groups by establishing two new groups at Brookgreen Gardens (Brookgreen), Georgetown County, South Carolina. The applicant will translocate the two existing RCW groups from the project site to Brookgreen after cavity inserts have been installed at the new site. The translocation process will continue until the two groups have been established at Brookgreen. As minimization for impacts to the species, timber harvesting activities will not be conducted until all RCWs have been relocated to Brookgreen.

We have determined that the applicant's proposal, including the proposed mitigation and minimization measures, would have minor or negligible effects on the species covered in the HCP. Therefore, we are making a preliminary determination that the ITP is a "low-effect" project and qualifies for categorical exclusion under the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA; 42 U.S.C. 4321 *et seq.*), as provided by the Department of the Interior Manual (516 DM 2 Appendix 1 and 516 DM 6 Appendix 1). We may revise this preliminary determination based on our review of public comments we receive