

amendment of the geographic scope of the permit to include the states within Region 5 of the Service: Connecticut, Delaware, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, Pennsylvania, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, Rhode Island, Vermont, Virginia, and West Virginia. Proposed activities under this permit application include surveys to document species' presence or absence in areas proposed for wind-energy development, studies to document habitat use, collection of echolocation data and hair/tissue sampling for scientific research. The applicant's proposed activities are aimed at enhancement of the survival of the species in the wild.

Permit Application Number: TE839777-11.

Applicant: Don Helms, Helms & Associates, Bellevue, Iowa.

The applicant requests a permit amendment to take (capture and release; capture and relocate) Higgins' eye pearlymussels and scaleshell mussels throughout the State of South Dakota. Proposed activities are for the enhancement of survival of the species in the wild.

Permit Application Number: TE02560A.

Applicant: Timothy C. Carter, Ball State University, Muncie, Indiana.

The applicant requests a permit renewal and amendment to take (capture and release; collect tissue samples) Indiana bats and gray bats throughout the States of Georgia, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Michigan, Missouri, Ohio, and Wisconsin. Proposed activities are for the enhancement of survival of the species in the wild.

Permit Application Number: TE02651A.

Applicant: The Ohio Department of Transportation, Columbus, Ohio.

The applicant requests a permit renewal to take (capture and release) Indiana bats and American burying beetles (*Nicrophorus americanus*) within the State of Ohio. Proposed activities to determine presence/absence of the species, to assess habitat use and monitor populations are for the enhancement of survival of the species in the wild.

Public Comments

We seek public review and comments on these permit applications. Please refer to the permit number when you submit comments. Comments and materials we receive are available for public inspection, by appointment, during normal business hours at the address shown in the **ADDRESSES** section. 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.

National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA)

In compliance with NEPA (42 U.S.C. 4321 *et seq.*), we have made an initial determination that the proposed activities in these permits are categorically excluded from the requirement to prepare an environmental assessment or environmental impact statement (516 DM 6 Appendix 1, 1.4C(1)).

Dated: February 19, 2010.

Lynn M. Lewis,

Assistant Regional Director, Ecological Services, Region 3.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

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Notice of Public Meeting, BLM—Alaska Resource Advisory Council

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Alaska State Office, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of public meeting.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Federal Land Policy and Management Act (FLPMA) and the Federal Advisory Committee Act of 1972 (FACA), the U.S. Department of the Interior, Bureau of Land Management (BLM) Alaska Resource Advisory Council (RAC) will meet as indicated below.

DATES: The meeting will be held April 6–7, 2010, in the Campbell Tract Facility at 4700 BLM Road, Anchorage, Alaska 99507. On April 6, the meeting starts at 1 p.m. in the training room. On April 7, the meeting begins in the same location at 9 a.m. and the council will accept public comment from 1–2 p.m.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ruth McCoard, RAC Coordinator; BLM—Alaska State Office; 222 W. 7th Avenue, #13; Anchorage, AK 99513. Telephone 907-271-4418 or e-mail ruth_mccoard@blm.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The 15-member Council advises the Secretary of the Interior, through the Bureau of

Land Management, on a variety of planning and management issues associated with public land management in Alaska. At this meeting, topics planned for discussion include:

- Election of Chair and Vice-Chair.
- Manager reports.
- Stimulus projects update.
- Alaska Land Information System.
- National Landscape Conservation System anniversary.
- Resource management planning.
- Other topics of interest to the RAC.

All meetings are open to the public. Depending on the number of people wishing to comment and time available, the time for individual oral comments may be limited, so be prepared to submit written comments if necessary. 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.

Individuals who plan to attend and need special assistance, such as sign language interpretation, transportation, or other reasonable accommodations, should contact the BLM RAC Coordinator listed above.

Dated: February 19, 2010.

Thomas P. Lonnie,

State Director.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Indian Affairs

Plan for the Use and Distribution of the Confederated Tribes of the Warm Springs Reservation of Oregon Judgment Funds in Docket 02-126L Before the United States Federal Court of Claims

AGENCY: Bureau of Indian Affairs, Interior.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that the plan for the use and distribution of the judgment funds awarded to the *Confederated Tribes of the Warm Springs Reservation of Oregon v. U.S.*, Docket No. 02-261L, is effective as of December 18, 2009. The judgment funds were awarded by the United States Court of Federal Claims on January 16, 2009. The Tribal Council of the