

Tuesday, November 9, 2010, 3800
Centerpoint Drive, Anchorage, Alaska.
All meetings will start at 7 p.m.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Fish and Wildlife Service

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Crane Meadows National Wildlife Refuge, Morrison County, MN

AGENCY: U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service,
Department of the Interior.

ACTION: Notice of availability: Final
Comprehensive Conservation Plan and
Finding of No Significant Impact for
Environmental Assessment.

SUMMARY: We, the U.S. Fish and
Wildlife Service (Service), announce the
availability of the Final Comprehensive
Conservation Plan (CCP) and Finding of
No Significant Impact (FONSI) for the
Environmental Assessment (EA) for
Crane Meadows National Wildlife
Refuge (NWR). Goals and objectives in
the CCP describe how the agency
intends to manage the refuge over the
next 15 years.

ADDRESSES: Copies of the Final CCP and
FONSI/EA may be viewed at the Crane
Meadows National Wildlife Refuge
Office or at public libraries near the
refuge. You may also request a copy by
any of the following methods.

1. *Agency Web site:* View or
download a copy of the document at
[http://www.fws.gov/midwest/planning/
CraneMeadows/](http://www.fws.gov/midwest/planning/CraneMeadows/).

2. *E-mail:* r3planning@fws.gov.
Include “Crane Meadows Final CCP/EA”
in the subject line of the message.

3. *Mail:* Crane Meadows National
Wildlife Refuge, 19502 Iris Road, Little
Falls, Minnesota 56345.

A limited number of hardcopies will
be available for distribution at the
Refuge Headquarters.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:
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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Introduction

With this notice, we complete the
CCP process for Crane Meadows NWR,
which we began by publishing a notice
of intent on (73 FR 76677–76678,
December 17, 2008). For more
information about the initial process,
see that notice. We released the draft
CCP and EA to the public, announcing
and requesting comments in a notice of
availability on (75 FR 39037–39038, July
7, 2010).

Crane Meadows NWR, located in
central Minnesota, was established in
1992 to protect one of the largest, most
intact wetland complexes remaining in
the State. The Refuge owns
approximately 1,800 acres of 13,540
acres identified for acquisition, and an
additional 900 acres are owned and
managed by the Minnesota Department
of Natural Resources. In addition to
hosting relatively rare habitat types
including oak savanna, sand prairie, and
sedge meadow, it also provides key
habitat for local and migratory wildlife,
maintains essential ecological services,
provides an element of water control
and flood relief, protects important
archaeological resources, and offers
unique recreation, education, and
research opportunities.

The Draft CCP and EA were officially
released for public review on July 7,
2010; the 31-day comment period ended
on August 6, 2010. Planning
information was sent to approximately
265 individuals and organizations for
review and announced through local
media outlets, resulting in three
comment submissions. During the
comment period the Refuge also hosted
an open house to receive public
comments and feedback on the CCP and
EA documents. Three individuals
attended this event—all current or
former state Department of Natural
Resources employees. Because no
changes to the preferred alternative
were recommended by Refuge
audiences during the public review
period, only minor changes were made
to the drafts in preparing the final CCP/
EA documents.

Selected Alternative

Based on input and feedback during
the planning process, alternative B was
selected as the preferred alternative.
This alternative portrays a long-term
vision for habitat restoration to near-
historic benchmark conditions and
increases recreation opportunities for
visitors over the 15-year planning
horizon. A diversity of wetland and
savanna habitats are favored reinforcing
historic conditions, while prairie and
woodland are reduced over the long-

term. This alternative includes active
participation in monitoring and
improving upstream water resources,
calls for adherence to a well-developed
prescribed fire plan, increases land
acquisition and work on private lands in
high priority areas, augments the
existing biological inventory and
monitoring program, and offers visitor
services in a greater number of
locations. Specific, managed hunts are
offered, and opportunities for quality
fishing experiences will be evaluated as
new lands are acquired.

Background

The National Wildlife Refuge System
Administration Act of 1966, as amended
by the National Wildlife Refuge System
Improvement Act of 1997 (16 U.S.C.
668dd–668ee *et seq.*), requires the
Service to develop a CCP for each
National Wildlife Refuge. The purpose
in developing a CCP is to provide refuge
managers with a 15-year strategy for
achieving refuge purposes and
contributing toward the mission of the
National Wildlife Refuge System,
consistent with sound principles of fish
and wildlife management, conservation,
legal mandates, and Service policies. In
addition to outlining broad management
direction for conserving wildlife and
their habitats, the CCP identifies
wildlife-dependent recreational
opportunities available to the public,
including opportunities for hunting,
fishing, wildlife observation and
photography, and environmental
education and interpretation.

We will review and update the CCP
at least every 15 years in accordance
with the National Wildlife Refuge
System Administration Act of 1966, as
amended by the National Wildlife
Refuge System Improvement Act of
1997, and the National Environmental
Policy Act of 1969 (42 U.S.C. 4321–
4370d).

Dated: August 17, 2010.

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JOINT BOARD FOR THE ENROLLMENT OF ACTUARIES

Renewal of Advisory Committee on Actuarial Examinations

AGENCY: Joint Board for the Enrollment
of Actuaries.

ACTION: Renewal of Advisory
Committee.