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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 availability; request for comments.

SUMMARY: We, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, invite the public to comment on the following applications for recovery permits to conduct activities with the purpose of enhancing the survival of endangered species. The Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (Act), prohibits certain activities with endangered species unless a Federal permit allows such activity. The Act also requires that we invite public comment before issuing such permits.

DATES: To ensure consideration, please send your written comments by November 3, 2014.

ADDRESSES: Program Manager for Restoration and Endangered Species Classification, Ecological Services, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Pacific Regional Office, 911 NE. 11th Avenue, Portland, OR 97232-4181. Please refer to the permit number for the application when submitting comments.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Colleen Henson, Fish and Wildlife Biologist, at the above address, or by telephone (503-231-6131) or fax (503-231-6243).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

The Act (16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*) prohibits certain activities with respect to endangered and threatened species unless a Federal permit allows such activity. Along with our implementing regulations in the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) at 50 CFR part 17, the Act provides for certain permits, and requires that we invite public comment before issuing these permits for endangered species.

A permit granted by us under section 10(a)(1)(A) of the Act authorizes the permittee to conduct activities

(including take or interstate commerce) with respect to U.S. endangered or threatened species for scientific purposes or enhancement of propagation or survival. Our regulations implementing section 10(a)(1)(A) of the Act for these permits are found at 50 CFR 17.22 for endangered wildlife species, 50 CFR 17.32 for threatened wildlife species, 50 CFR 17.62 for endangered plant species, and 50 CFR 17.72 for threatened plant species.

Application Available for Review and Comment

We invite local, State, and Federal agencies and the public to comment on the following applications. Please refer to the permit number for the application when submitting comments.

Documents and other information submitted with these applications are available for review by request from the Program Manager for Restoration and Endangered Species Classification at the address listed in the **ADDRESSES** section of this notice, subject to the requirements of the Privacy Act (5 U.S.C. 552a) and the Freedom of Information Act (5 U.S.C. 552).

Permit Number: TE-45531B

Applicant: State of Hawaii, Division of Forestry and Wildlife, Honolulu, Hawaii.

The applicant requests a new permit to take (collect eggs, captive propagate, and release) the Kauai akialoa (*Hemignathus procerus*), Kauai 'o'o (*Moho braccatus*), large Kauai thrush (*Myadestes myadestinus*), Maui akepa (*Loxops coccineus ochraceus*), Molokai creeper (*Paroreomyza flammea*), Molokai thrush (*Myadestes lanaiensis rutha*), nukupu'u (*Hemignathus lucidus*), 'o'u (*Psittirostra psittacea*), Oahu creeper (*Paroreomyza maculata*), palila (*Loxioides bailleui*), and small Kauai thrush (*Myadestes palmeri*); to take (collect eggs, capture adults, captive propagate, and release) the Hawaiian crow or 'alala (*Corvus hawaiiensis*), Maui parrotbill (*Pseudonestor xanthophrys*), and po'ouli (*Melamprosops phaeosoma*); and to take (collect eggs, capture nestlings and adults, captive propagate, and release) the akekee (*Loxops caeruleirostris*) and akikiki (*Oreomystis bairdi*) throughout their ranges in Hawaii, in conjunction with captive breeding and population management activities, for the purpose of enhancing the species' survival.

Permit Number: TE-798744

Applicant: Kootenai Tribe of Idaho, Bonners Ferry, Idaho.

The applicant requests a permit renewal to take (capture, collect, measure, mark, attach radio or sonic transmitters, collect biological samples, captive propagate, and release) the Kootenai River population of the white sturgeon (*Acipenser transmontanus*) in conjunction with captive propagation and scientific research in Idaho and Montana for the purpose of enhancing the species' survival.

Public Availability of Comments

All comments and materials we receive in response to this request will be available for public inspection, by appointment, during normal business hours at the address listed in the **ADDRESSES** section.

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 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.

Authority: We provide this notice under section 10 of the Act (16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*).

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Hugh Morrison,

Acting Regional Director, Pacific Region, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

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Notice of National Petroleum Reserve-Alaska Oil and Gas Lease Sale 2014 and the Availability of the Detailed Statement of Sale for Oil and Gas Lease Sale 2014 in the National Petroleum Reserve-Alaska

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Bureau of Land Management (BLM) Alaska State Office will hold an oil and gas lease sale bid opening for tracts in the National Petroleum Reserve-Alaska. The United States reserves the right to withdraw any tract from this sale prior to issuance of a written acceptance of a bid.

DATES: The oil and gas lease sale bid opening will be held at 1 p.m. on Wednesday, November 19, 2014. Sealed