

a 15-year strategy for achieving refuge purposes and contributing to the mission of the National Wildlife Refuge System (NWRS), in conformance with the sound principles of fish and wildlife science, natural resources conservation, legal mandates, and Service policies. In addition to outlining broad management direction on conserving wildlife and habitats, CCPs identify wildlife-dependent recreational opportunities available to the public, including opportunities for hunting, fishing, wildlife observation and photography, and environmental interpretation and education. The Service will review and update each CCP at least once every 15 years, in accordance with the National Wildlife Refuge System Improvement Act of 1997 and the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (NEPA).

This Draft CCP/EA identifies goals, long-range objectives, and strategies for achieving the purposes for which this refuge was established. The document poses two management alternatives:

Alternative A (Current Management): This alternative is the "No Action" alternative required by NEPA. Alternative A defines our current management activities, including those planned, funded, or underway, and serves as the baseline for comparing Alternative B, our preferred alternative. It would maintain our present levels of approved refuge staffing and the biological and visitor programs now in place. The refuge would continue to pursue acquisition of the eight parcels composing 253 acres that remain within the original approved acquisition boundary of the refuge, and the occasional parcel that becomes available adjacent to the refuge.

Alternative B (the Service-preferred alternative): This alternative represents the combination of actions that we believe will most effectively achieve the purposes and goals of the refuge and address the major issues. It builds on the programs identified under Alternative A. Funding and staffing would need to increase to adequately support the program expansions we propose. Key strategies in this alternative include greater inventory, monitoring, and management of the Missisquoi River Delta wetlands to maintain their ecological integrity and diversity of plants and animals on the refuge; increased management of high-quality grasslands, shrublands, and other early successional habitats for a range of wildlife species of conservation concern; enhanced, expanded programs of outreach, and environmental education and interpretation; expanded wildlife-dependent recreational

opportunities, including hunting, fishing, wildlife observation and photography; greater inventory, protection, and interpretation of the rich cultural history of the Missisquoi River Delta and enhanced partnerships with the local Abenaki Tribe; a new \$1.00 Refuge Activity Fee that will raise additional funds for trail maintenance, informational kiosks, educational programs, and other actions to benefit all visitors to the refuge; a critical new law enforcement position to enhance staff and visitor safety; other new critical positions, including a park ranger, maintenance worker, and biological technician. Alternative B also proposes that, within 1 year of CCP completion, upon Director's approval, we will conduct a study with our partners to determine if undeveloped lands within 5 miles of the refuge warrant additional Service protection to conserve Federal trust resources and aid in fulfilling the mission of the NWRS and the purposes of the refuge.

A wilderness review of the refuge was completed in 1974. This review, based on refuge management needs and public input at the time, proposed that Shad Island be designated wilderness under the Wilderness Act of 1964. As part of the CCP process, we completed a wilderness review, evaluating all refuge land for its current wilderness potential. The review concluded no lands at the refuge are suitable for inclusion into the National Wilderness Preservation System, and we propose to withdraw Shad Island as a proposed wilderness to the U.S. Congress.

After the 30-day review and comment period ends, we will analyze, address, and consider all comments received and prepare a final CCP. Availability of the final CCP will be published in the **Federal Register**. All comments, including names and addresses, become part of the official public record. Requests for the public record of this plan will be handled in accordance with the Freedom of Information Act, the Council on Environmental Quality's NEPA regulations, and other Service and Departmental policies and procedures.

Dated: August 2, 2006.

Marvin E. Moriarty,

Regional Director, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Hadley, MA 01035-9589.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

[CA-110]

Meeting of the Central California Resource Advisory Council

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) Central California Resource Advisory Council will meet as indicated below.

DATES: The meeting will be held Friday and Saturday, April 20 and 21, 2007, in the University of California Lindcove Research and Extension Center meeting room, 22963 Carson Ave., Exeter, California. On April 20, the members will convene at 8 a.m. for a business meeting, followed by a field trip to Atwell Island beginning at noon. Members of the public are welcome to attend the tour and meeting. Field tour participants must provide their own transportation and lunch. The Advisory Council will resume its meeting at 8 a.m. on April 21 in the Lindcove Research and Extension Center meeting room. Time for public comment is reserved from 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. on April 21.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: BLM Bakersfield Field Office Acting Manager Patty Gradek, (661) 391-6006; or BLM Central California Public Affairs Officer David Christy, (916) 985-4474.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The twelve-member Central California Resource Advisory Council advises the Secretary of the Interior, through the Bureau of Land Management, on a variety of public land issues associated with public land management in the Central California. At this meeting, agenda items include discussion of the Caliente Resource Management Plan update by the Bakersfield Field Office and preparation of an Environmental Impact Statement for the Carrizo Plain National Monument. The RAC members will also hear status reports from managers for the Folsom, Hollister, Bakersfield and Bishop field offices. The meeting is open to the public. The public may present written comments to the Council, and time will be allocated for hearing public comments. Depending on the number of persons wishing to comment and the time available, the time for individual oral comments may be limited. Individuals who plan to attend and need special

assistance such as sign language interpretation or other reasonable accommodations should contact the BLM as indicated above.

Dated: March 6, 2007.

David Christy,
Public Affairs Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

[OMB Notice 1122-NEW]

Office on Violence Against Women; Agency Information Collection Activities: New Collection

ACTION: 60-Day notice of information collection under review: Semi-annual progress report for the Technical Assistance Program.

The Department of Justice, Office on Violence Against Women (OVW) will be submitting the following information collection request to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995. Comments are encouraged and will be accepted for "sixty days" until May 15, 2007. This process is conducted in accordance with 5 CFR 1320.10.

Written comments and/or suggestions regarding the items contained in this notice, especially the estimated public burden and associated response time, should be directed to The Office of Management and Budget, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Attention Department of Justice Desk Officer, Washington, DC 20503. Additionally, comments may be submitted to OMB via facsimile to (202) 395-5806.

Written comments and suggestions from the public and affected agencies concerning the proposed collection of information are encouraged. Your comments should address one or more of the following four points:

- (1) Evaluate whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility;
- (2) Evaluate the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;
- (3) Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and
- (4) Minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who

are to respond, including through the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submission of responses.

Overview of This Information Collection

(1) *Type of Information Collection:* New collection.

(2) *Title of the Form/Collection:* Semi-annual Progress Report for the Technical Assistance Program.

(3) *Agency form number, if any, and the applicable component of the Department of Justice sponsoring the collection:* Form Number: None yet. U.S. Department of Justice, Office on Violence Against Women.

(4) *Affected public who will be asked or required to respond, as well as a brief abstract:* The affected public includes the 100 programs providing technical assistance as recipients under the Technical Assistance Program.

(5) *An estimate of the total number of respondents and the amount of time estimated for an average respondent to respond/reply:* It is estimated that it will take the 100 respondents (Technical Assistance providers) approximately one hour to complete a semi-annual progress report twice a year. The semi-annual progress report for the Technical Assistance Program is divided into sections that pertain to the different types of activities in which Technical Assistance Providers are engaged.

The primary purpose of the OVW Technical Assistance Program is to provide direct assistance to grantees and their subgrantees to enhance the success of local projects they are implementing with VAWA grant funds. In addition, OVW is focused on building the capacity of criminal justice and victim services organizations to respond effectively to sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence, and stalking and to foster partnerships between organizations that have not traditionally worked together to address violence against women, such as faith- and community-based organizations.

(6) *An estimate of the total public burden (in hours) associated with the collection:* The total annual hour burden to complete the semi-annual progress report form is 200 hours. It will take approximately one hour for the grantees to complete the form twice a year.

If additional information is required contact: Lynn Bryant, Department Clearance Officer, United States Department of Justice, Justice Management Division, Policy and Planning Staff, Suite 1600, Patrick

Henry Building, 601 D Street NW., Washington, DC 20530.

Dated: March 12, 2007.

Lynn Bryant,
Department Clearance Officer, PRA, United States Department of Justice.

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DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Office on Violence Against Women; Notice of Meeting

AGENCY: Office on Violence Against Women, Justice.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: This notice sets forth the schedule and proposed agenda of the forthcoming public meeting of the National Advisory Committee on Violence Against Women (hereinafter "the Committee").

DATES: The meeting will take place on April 3, 2007, from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. and on April 4, 2007, from 8:30 a.m. to 12 noon.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will take place at the Eldorado, 309 West San Francisco Street, Santa Fe, NM 87501. Signs will be posted in the lobby of the hotel to direct attendees to the meeting location.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Sandy Lonick, The National Advisory Committee on Violence Against Women, 800 K Street, NW., Ste. 920, Washington, DC 20530; by telephone at: (202) 307-6026; e-mail: Saundra.Lonick@usdoj.gov; or fax: (202) 307-3911. You may also view the Committee's Web site at: <http://www.usdoj.gov/ovw/nac/welcome.html>.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Notice of this meeting is required under section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act. The Committee is chartered by the Attorney General, and co-chaired by the Attorney General and the Secretary of Health and Human Services (the Secretary), to provide the Attorney General and the Secretary with practical and general policy advice concerning implementation of the Violence Against Women Act of 1994, the Violence Against Women Act of 2000, the Violence Against Women Act of 2005 and related laws. The Committee also assists in the efforts of the Department of Justice and the Department of Health and Human Services to combat violence against women, especially domestic violence, sexual assault, and stalking. Because violence against women is increasingly recognized as a public health problem of staggering human cost, the Committee