

criteria for downlisting or delisting listed species, and estimate time and cost for implementing the recovery measures needed.

The Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*) (Act), requires the development of recovery plans for listed species unless such a plan would not promote the conservation of a particular species. Section 4(f) of the Act requires that public notice and an opportunity for public review and comment be provided during recovery plan development. The Service will consider all information presented during the public comment period prior to approval of each new or revised recovery plan. Substantive technical comments will result in changes to the plan. Substantive comments regarding recovery plan implementation may not necessarily result in changes to the recovery plan, but will be forwarded to appropriate Federal or other entities so that they can take these comments into account during the course of implementing recovery actions. Individualized responses to comments will not be provided.

The California red-legged frog (*Rana aurora draytonii*) occurs from sea level to elevations of about 1,500 meters (5,000 feet). It has been extirpated from 70 percent of its former range and now is found in coastal drainages of central California, from Marin County, California, south to northern Baja California, Mexico. The California red-legged frog requires a variety of habitat elements with aquatic breeding areas embedded within a matrix of riparian and upland dispersal habitats. Breeding sites of the California red-legged frog are in aquatic habitats including pools and backwaters within streams and creeks, ponds, marshes, sag ponds, dune ponds and lagoons. California red-legged frogs frequently breed in artificial impoundments such as stock ponds. Potential threats to the species include elimination or degradation of habitat from land development and land use activities and habitat invasions by non-native aquatic species.

The objective of this draft recovery plan is to delist the California red-legged frog through implementation of a variety of recovery measures including (1) protection of known populations and reestablishment of populations; (2) protection of suitable habitat, corridors, and core areas; (3) habitat management; (4) development of land use guidelines; (5) research; (6) surveying and monitoring; and (7) public participation, outreach, and education.

Public Comments Solicited

The Service solicits written comments on the draft recovery plan described. All comments received by the date specified above will be considered prior to approval of this plan.

Authority: The authority for this action is section 4(f) of the Endangered Species Act, 16 U.S.C. 1533(f).

Dated: August 4, 2000.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Fish and Wildlife Service

Availability of a Draft Environmental Assessment on Proposed Special Regulations for the Preble's Meadow Jumping Mouse

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

ACTION: Notice; correction.

SUMMARY: On August 2, 2000, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service published a Notice of Availability of a draft Environmental Assessment on the Proposed Special Regulations for the Preble's meadow jumping mouse (*Zapus hudsonius preblei*). This Notice contained errors in the address and phone number of the office to contact for a copy of the Environmental Assessment.

Correction

In the **Federal Register** of August 2, 2000, on page 47513, correct the **ADDRESSES** Section to read:

ADDRESSES: Comments and requests for copies of the assessment should be submitted to the Field Supervisor, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, 755 Parfet Street, Suite 361, Lakewood, Colorado 80215, telephone (303) 275-2370. The draft Environmental Assessment also is available on our website at <http://www.r6.fws.gov>.

Dated: August 3, 2000.

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Regional Director, Denver, Colorado.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Fish and Wildlife Service

Issuance of Permit for Marine Mammals

On April 21, 2000, a notice was published in the **Federal Register**, Vol. 65, No. 92, Page 30426, that an application had been filed with the Fish and Wildlife Service by James Adams, Fruitport, MI, for a permit (PRT-026025) to import a sport-hunted polar bear (*Ursus maritimus*) trophy, taken from the Southern Beaufort Sea polar bear population, Northwest Territories, Canada for personal use.

Notice is hereby given that on July 12, 2000, as authorized by the provisions of the Marine Mammal Protection Act of 1972, *as amended* (16 U.S.C. 1361 *et seq.*) the Fish and Wildlife Service authorized the requested permit subject to certain conditions set forth therein.

On April 21, 2000, a notice was published in the **Federal Register**, Vol. 65, No. 92, Page 30426, that an application had been filed with the Fish and Wildlife Service by Williams E. Schwartz, Bossier, LA, for a permit (PRT-026830) to import a sport-hunted polar bear (*Ursus maritimus*) trophy, taken from the Resolute Bay polar bear population, Northwest Territories, Canada for personal use.

Notice is hereby given that on June 6, 2000, as authorized by the provisions of the Marine Mammal Protection Act of 1972, *as amended* (16 U.S.C. 1361 *et seq.*) the Fish and Wildlife Service authorized the requested permit subject to certain conditions set forth therein.

On April 21, 2000, a notice was published in the **Federal Register**, Vol. 65, No. 92, Page 30426, that an application had been filed with the Fish and Wildlife Service by Jon C. Bumstead, Newaygo, MI, for a permit (PRT-026138) to import a sport-hunted polar bear (*Ursus maritimus*) trophy, taken from the Southern Beaufort Sea polar bear population, Northwest Territories, Canada for personal use.

Notice is hereby given that on May 30, 2000, as authorized by the provisions of the Marine Mammal Protection Act of 1972, *as amended* (16 U.S.C. 1361 *et seq.*) the Fish and Wildlife Service authorized the requested permit subject to certain conditions set forth therein.

On December 10, 1999, a notice was published in the **Federal Register**, Vol. 64, No. 237, Page 69291, that an application had been filed with the Fish and Wildlife Service by Richard Lee Dorigatti, Logan, UT, for a permit (PRT-020091) to import a sport-hunted polar bear (*Ursus maritimus*) trophy, taken