

absence surveys for brown pelican (*Pelecanus occidentalis*) within Texas.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Fish and Wildlife Service

Notice of Withdrawal of the Little Darby National Wildlife Refuge Proposal and Availability of the Little Darby Creek Conservation Through Local Initiatives Final Report

AGENCY: Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.

SUMMARY: This notice advises the public that the U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service (Service) is withdrawing its proposal to establish the Little Darby National Wildlife Refuge in Madison and Union counties in Ohio. A concluding Final Report provides tools that could be useful in pursuing a local conservation initiative.

DATES: This action will become effective with this notice. The Service notified the public of the decision to withdraw the proposal in March; formal notice of the decision is being made concurrent with the availability of the Final Report. Copies of the Final Report are available on the Service's Web site: <http://midwest.fws.gov/planning/Idarbytop.htm>, or by writing to the address listed below.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Tom Larson, Chief of Ascertainment and Planning, U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service, Bishop Henry Whipple Federal Building, 1 Federal Drive, Fort Snelling, MN 55111. Telephone 612/713-5430.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: There were both supporters and opponents to the proposal to create a new national wildlife refuge in south central Ohio, but the community consistently expressed support for the conservation of agricultural and natural resource areas. In withdrawing the proposal to establish a refuge, the Service is supporting interest in locally-driven conservation efforts. The Final Report includes an overview of the refuge proposal, a brief history of the area, description of the natural resource values of the Little Darby Creek Watershed, information on local perceptions and expectations related to conservation, and information on resources available for local conservation initiatives. The Report

reiterates the Service's belief in preserving the watershed's resource values.

Dated: August 14, 2002.

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Regional Director.

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INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION

[Investigations Nos. 701-TA-420 and 421 (Final)]

Carbon and Certain Alloy Steel Wire Rod From Trinidad and Tobago and Turkey

AGENCY: International Trade Commission.

ACTION: Termination of investigations.

SUMMARY: On August 30, 2002, the Department of Commerce published notice in the **Federal Register** of final negative countervailing duty determinations in connection with the subject investigations (67 FR 55810 and 55815). Accordingly, pursuant to § 207.40(a) of the Commission's rules of practice and procedure (19 CFR 207.40(a)), the countervailing duty investigations concerning carbon and certain alloy steel wire rod from Trinidad and Tobago and Turkey (investigations Nos. 701-TA-420 and 421 (Final)) are terminated.

EFFECTIVE DATE: August 30, 2002.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mary Messer (202-205-3193), Office of Investigations, U.S. International Trade Commission, 500 E Street SW., Washington, DC 20436. Hearing-impaired individuals are advised that information on this matter can be obtained by contacting the Commission's TDD terminal on 202-205-1810. Persons with mobility impairments who will need special assistance in gaining access to the Commission should contact the Office of the Secretary at 202-205-2000. General information concerning the Commission may also be obtained by accessing its internet server (<http://www.usitc.gov>). The public record for these investigations may be viewed on the Commission's electronic docket (EDIS-ON-LINE) at <http://dockets.usitc.gov/eol/public>.

Authority: These investigations are being terminated under authority of title VII of the Tariff Act of 1930; this notice is published pursuant to § 201.10 of the Commission's rules (19 CFR 201.10).

By order of the Commission.

Issued: September 27, 2002.

Marilyn R. Abbott,

Secretary to the Commission.

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DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Notice of Lodging of Consent Decree Under the Comprehensive Environment Response, Compensation, and Liability Act

Notice is hereby given that on September 16, 2002, a proposed consent decree in *United States v. Buena Vista Mines, Inc., et al.*, Civil Action No. 98-7226 SVW (RNBx), was lodged with the United States District Court for the Central District of California.

In this action, brought under sections 106 and 107 of the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act, 42 U.S.C. 9606, 9607, the United States sought reimbursement of response costs incurred by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency ("EPA") at the Buena Vista/Klau Mine Site near Paso Robles California, as well as civil penalties and treble damages arising from the failure of defendants Buena Vista Mines, Inc. ("BVMI"), Harold J. Biaggini, and Edward C. Biaggini, III to comply with an EPA administrative clean-up order. The consent decree provides for payments of \$500,000 from the defendants and \$100,000 from third-party defendant County of San Luis Obispo and, in addition, provides that the United States will receive the major portion of all proceeds of any future BVMI land sales. In exchange for the settlement payments, the settling parties will receive a site-wide covenant-not-to-sue, subject to certain reservations.

The Department of Justice will receive for a period of thirty (30) days from the date of this publication comments relating to the consent decree. Comments should be addressed to the Assistant Attorney General, Environment and Natural Resources Division, PO Box 7611, U.S. Department of Justice, Washington, DC 20044-7611, and should refer to *United States v. Buena Vista Mines, Inc., et al.*, D.J. Ref. No. 90-5-1-1-4467/1.

The consent decree may be examined at the offices of U.S. EPA Region 9, 75 Hawthorne Street, San Francisco, California 94105. A copy of the consent decree may also be obtained by mail from the Consent Decree Library, PO Box 7611, U.S. Department of Justice, Washington, DC 20044-7611, or by faxing a request to Tonia Fleetwood, fax no. (202) 514-0097, phone confirmation