

where it is again a secure, self-sustaining member of its ecosystem is a primary goal of the Service's endangered species program. To help guide the recovery effort, the Service is working to prepare recovery plans for most of the listed species native to the United States. Recovery plans describe actions considered necessary for conservation of species, establish criteria for downlisting or delisting them, and estimate time and cost for implementing the recovery measures needed.

The Endangered Species Act of 1973 (Act), as amended (16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*), 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, as amended in 1988, requires that public notice and an opportunity for public review and comment be provided during recovery plan development. The Service considers all information presented during a public comment period prior to approval of each new or revised recovery plan. The Service and others also take these comments into account in the course of implementing recovery plans.

The Devils River Minnow Draft Recovery Plan is being submitted for review to all interested parties, including independent peer review. After consideration of comments received during the review period, the recovery plan will be submitted for final approval.

Public Comments Solicited

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

Authority

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

Dated: January 19, 2005.

Geoffrey L. Haskett,

Acting Regional Director, Region 2.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

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Notice of Decision Approving Lands for Conveyance: Alaska Native Claims Selection

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: As required by 43 CFR 2650.7(d), notice is hereby given that an appealable decision approving lands for conveyance pursuant to the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act will be issued to Igiugig, Native Corporation. The lands are located in Tps. 11 and 12 S., R. 37 W., Seward Meridian, Alaska, in the vicinity of Igiugig, Alaska, and contain 503.00 acres. Notice of the decision will also be published four times in the Anchorage Daily News.

DATES: The time limits for filing an appeal are:

1. Any party claiming a property interest which is adversely affected by the decision shall have until March 25, 2005, to file an appeal.

2. Parties receiving service of the decision by certified mail shall have 30 days from the date of receipt to file an appeal.

Parties who do not file an appeal in accordance with the requirements of 43 CFR part 4, subpart E, shall be deemed to have waived their rights.

ADDRESSES: A copy of the decision may be obtained from: Bureau of Land Management, Alaska State Office, 222 West Seventh Avenue, #13, Anchorage, Alaska 99513-7599.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION, CONTACT:

John Leaf, by phone at 907-271-3283, or by e-mail at John_Leaf@ak.blm.gov. Persons who use a telecommunication device (TTD) may call the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) on 1-800-877-8330, 24 hours a day, seven days a week, to contact Mr. Leaf.

John Leaf,

Land Law Examiner, Branch of Adjudication II.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

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Lease of Public Land: Paxson, AK

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, DOI.

ACTION: Notice of realty action.

SUMMARY: This notice of realty action involves a proposal for a 20 year renewable commercial lease to the State of Alaska, Department of Fish and Game, Commercial Fisheries. The lease is intended to authorize the maintenance and operation of a fish hatchery on public lands.

DATES: The time limits for filing an appeal are:

1. Comments and an application must be received within 45 days from the publication of this notice to file an appeal.

2. Parties receiving service of the decision by certified mail shall have 30 days from the date of receipt to file an appeal.

Parties who do not file an appeal in accordance with the requirements of 43 CFR part 4, subpart E, shall be deemed to have waived their rights.

ADDRESSES: A copy of the decision may be obtained from: Bureau of Land Management, Glennallen Field Office, P.O. Box 147, Glennallen, Alaska 99588-0147.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Brenda Becker, by phone at 907-822-3217, or by e-mail at Brenda_becker@ak.blm.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The site examined and found suitable for leasing under the provisions of Sec. 302 of the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976, and 43 CFR 2920, is described as within:

Secs. 7 and 8, T. 22 S., R. 12 E., Copper River Meridian.

An application will only be accepted from the State of Alaska, Department of Fish and Game, Commercial Fisheries. The comments and application must include a reference to this notice. Fair market rental as determined by appraisal will be collected for the use of these lands, and reasonable administrative and monitoring costs for processing the lease. A final determination will be made after completion of an environmental assessment.

Ramone Baccus McCoy,

Glennallen Field Manager.

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