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DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

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Notice of Availability: Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA) for HUD's Fiscal Year (FY) 2010 Fair Housing Initiatives Program (FHIP)

AGENCY: Office of the Chief of the Human Capital Officer, HUD.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: HUD announces the availability on its Web site of the applicant information, submission deadlines, funding criteria, and other requirements for HUD's Fiscal Year (FY) 2010 Fair Housing Initiatives Program (FHIP). The FHIP NOFA makes available approximately \$40.7 million under the Consolidated Appropriations Act 2010. The purpose of the FHIP program is to investigate allegations of housing discrimination, educate the public and the housing industry about their rights and responsibilities under the Fair Housing Act and increase compliance with the Fair Housing Act. This year's NOFA funds the following initiatives: Private Enforcement, Education and Outreach, and the Fair Housing Organizations Initiatives.

The notice providing information regarding the application process, funding criteria and eligibility requirements can be found using the Department of Housing and Urban Development agency link on the Grants.gov/Find Web site at <http://www.grants.gov/search/agency.do>. A link to Grants.gov is also available on the HUD Web site at <http://www.hud.gov/offices/adm/grants/fundsavail.cfm>. The Catalogue of Federal Domestic Assistance (CFDA) numbers for this program are: Fair Housing Initiatives Program (FHIP) 14408; Private Enforcement Initiative (PEI) 14418; Education and Outreach Initiative (EOI) 14416, Fair Housing Organizations Initiative (FHOI) 14417. Applications must be submitted electronically through *Grants.gov*.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Questions regarding specific program requirements should be directed to the agency contact identified in the program

NOFA. Program staff will not be available to provide guidance on how to prepare the application. Questions regarding the 2010 General Section should be directed to the Office of Grants Management and Oversight at (202) 708-0667 or the NOFA Information Center at 800-HUD-8929 (toll free). Persons with hearing or speech impairments may access these numbers via TTY by calling the Federal Information Relay Service at 800-877-8339.

Dated: November 24, 2010.

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Director, Office of Departmental Grants Management and Oversight, Office of the Chief of the Human Capital Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Fish and Wildlife Service

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Measure M2 Natural Community Conservation Plan/Habitat Conservation Plan/Master Streambed Alteration Agreement, Orange County, CA

AGENCY: Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of intent to prepare an Environmental Impact Statement and conduct public scoping.

SUMMARY: We, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Service), intend to prepare an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) under the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA), regarding an expected application from the Orange County Transportation Authority (OCTA), for an incidental take permit (permit) authorizing incidental take of federally threatened and endangered wildlife species under the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (ESA). We and OCTA intend to gather information necessary to prepare a joint Environmental Impact Report (EIR)/EIS for the Measure M2 (M2) Natural Community Conservation Plan/Habitat Conservation Plan/Master Streambed Alteration Agreement (NCCP/HCP/MSAA). We are furnishing this notice to announce the initiation of a public scoping period, during which we invite other agencies, Tribes, and the public to submit written comments providing suggestions and information on the scope of issues and alternatives to be addressed in the EIS.

DATES: Please send written comments on or before January 3, 2011. We will hold a public scoping meeting on Wednesday, December 15, 2010, from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m.

ADDRESSES: *Comments:* Please send written comments to Mr. James A. Bartel, Field Supervisor, Carlsbad Fish and Wildlife Office, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, 6010 Hidden Valley Road, Carlsbad, CA 92011.

Alternatively, you may submit comments by fax to (707) 822-8411. Comments we receive will be available for public inspection, by appointment, during normal business hours (Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.) at the above address.

Meeting: The public scoping meeting will be held at the Orange County Transportation Authority, 550 South Main Street, Conference Room 103/104, Orange, CA 92863.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Jonathan Snyder, Division Chief, Carlsbad Fish and Wildlife Office, at the address above; by telephone at (760) 431-9440 extension 307; or by e-mail at jonathan_d_snyder@fws.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: OCTA is preparing a habitat conservation plan (HCP) and an application for a permit related to freeway improvements in Orange County, California. OCTA is proposing to cover 22 species in the HCP. The purpose of the HCP is to provide protection to natural communities and sensitive species within the jurisdictional boundaries of Orange County, and to mitigation for the impacts on threatened and endangered and other sensitive species for 13 planned freeway improvement projects over 30 years.

Background

Section 9 of the ESA (16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*) and Federal regulations prohibit the "take" of a fish or wildlife species listed as endangered or threatened. Under the ESA, the following activities are defined as take: To harass, harm, pursue, hunt, shoot, wound, kill, trap, capture, or collect listed wildlife species, or attempt to engage in such conduct (16 U.S.C. 1532). However, under section 10(a)(1)(B) of the ESA, permits may be issued to authorize "incidental take" of listed wildlife species. Incidental take is defined by the ESA as take that is incidental to, and not the purpose of, carrying out an otherwise lawful activity. Regulations governing permits for endangered and threatened species are at 50 CFR 17.22 and 50 CFR 17.32, respectively.

Section 10 of the ESA specifies the requirements for the issuance of