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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Office of the Secretary

## DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

### Office of the Secretary

#### Establishment of the Wildlife and Hunting Heritage Conservation Council

**AGENCY:** Office of the Secretary, Interior; Office of the Secretary, Agriculture.

**ACTION:** Notice of establishment.

**SUMMARY:** The Secretary of the Interior and the Secretary of Agriculture establish the Wildlife and Hunting Heritage Conservation Council (Council). The Council will provide advice on wildlife and habitat conservation endeavors that (1) benefit recreational hunting; (2) benefit wildlife resources; and (3) encourage partnerships among the public, the sporting conservation community, wildlife conservation groups, the States, Native American Tribes, and the Federal government. We are seeking nominations for individuals to be considered as Council members.

**DATES:** Written nominations must be received by March 8, 2010.

**ADDRESSES:** Send nominations to: Bruce Decker, Chief, Division of Program and Partnership Support, External Affairs, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, 4501 N. Fairfax Drive, Mailstop EA-3103, Arlington, VA 22203.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Bruce Decker, Chief, Division of Program and Partnership Support, External Affairs, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, 4501 N. Fairfax Drive, Mailstop EA-3103, Arlington, VA 22203; 703-358-2521 (telephone).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** This notice is published in accordance with the requirements of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA) (5 U.S.C. App.). The Secretary of the Interior and Secretary of Agriculture certify that the formation of the Council is necessary and is in the public interest.

The Council will conduct its operations in accordance with the provisions of the FACA. It will report to the Secretary of the Interior and the Secretary of Agriculture through the Fish and Wildlife Service (Service), in consultation with the Director of the Bureau of Land Management; the Chief, U.S. Forest Service; the Chief, Natural

Resources Conservation Agency; and the Administrator of the Farm Services Bureau, and it will function solely as an advisory body. The Council's duties will consist of, but are not limited to, providing recommendations for:

(a) Implementing the *Recreational Hunting and Wildlife Resource Conservation Plan—A Ten-Year Plan for Implementation*;

(b) Increasing public awareness and support for the Sport Wildlife Trust Fund;

(c) Fostering wildlife and habitat conservation and ethics in hunting and shooting sports recreation;

(d) Stimulating sportsmen and women's participation in conservation and management of wildlife and habitat resources through outreach and education;

(e) Fostering communication and coordination among State and Federal Government, industry, hunting and shooting sportsmen and women, wildlife conservation and management organizations, native American Tribes, and the public;

(f) Providing appropriate access to hunting and recreational shooting on Federal lands; and

(g) Providing recommendations to improve implementation of Federal conservation programs that benefit wildlife, hunting and outdoor recreation on private lands.

The Council will meet approximately two times per year. The Secretary of the Interior and the Secretary of Agriculture will appoint members for 2-year terms. The Council will consist of no more than 18 members.

The following officials or their designated representatives will serve as ex officio members to the Council: Director, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service; Director, Bureau of Land Management; Chief, U.S. Forest Service; Chief, Natural Resources Conservation Service; Administrator, Farm Services Bureau; and Executive Director, Association of Fish and Wildlife Agencies (AFWA) will serve as ex officio members to the Council.

The Secretaries will select remaining members from among, but not limited to, the national interest groups listed below. These members must be senior-level representatives of their organizations and/or have the ability to represent their designated constituency. No individual who is currently registered as a Federal lobbyist is eligible to serve as a member of the Council.

(1) State fish and wildlife resource management agencies (representatives to be recommended by the President of AFWA).

(2) Wildlife and habitat conservation/management organizations.

(3) Game bird hunting organizations.

(4) Waterfowl hunting organizations.

(5) Big game hunting organizations.

(6) Sportsmen and women community at-large.

(7) Archery, hunting, and/or shooting sports industry.

(8) Hunting and shooting sports outreach and education organizations.

(9) Tourism, Outfitter, and/or Guide industries related to hunting and/or shooting sports.

(10) Tribal resource management organizations.

We invite nomination of individuals for membership on the Council.

Nominations should describe and document the proposed member's qualifications for membership to the Council, and include a resume listing their name, title, address, telephone, and fax number.

#### Certification

I hereby certify that the Wildlife and Hunting Heritage Conservation Council (Council) is necessary and is in the public interest in connection with the performance of duties imposed on the Department of the Interior and the Department of Agriculture under 43 U.S.C. 1457 and provisions of the Fish and Wildlife Act of 1956 (16 U.S.C. 742a-742j), the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976 (43 U.S.C. 1701 *et seq.*), the National Forest Management Act of 1976 (16 U.S.C. 1600 *et seq.*), the National Wildlife Refuge System Improvement Act of 1997 (16 U.S.C. 668dd-668ee) and Executive Order 13443, Facilitation of Hunting Heritage and Wildlife Conservation.

**Ken Salazar,**

*Secretary of the Interior.*

**Thomas J. Vilsack,**

*Secretary of Agriculture.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Office of the Secretary

#### National Geospatial Advisory Committee

**AGENCY:** Office of the Secretary, Interior.

**ACTION:** Notice of renewal of National Geospatial Advisory Committee.

**SUMMARY:** This notice is published in accordance with Section 9(a) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act of 1972 (Pub. L. 92-463). Notice is hereby given that the Secretary of the Interior

has renewed the National Geospatial Advisory Committee. The Committee will provide advice and recommendations to the Federal Geographic Data Committee (FGDC), through the FGDC Chair (the Secretary of the Interior or designee), related to management of Federal geospatial programs, the development of the National Spatial Data Infrastructure (NSDI), and the implementation of Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Circular A-16 and Executive Order 12906. The Committee will review and comment upon geospatial policy and management issues and will provide a forum to convey views representative of non-Federal partners in the geospatial community.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** John Mahoney, USGS (phone: 206-220-4621, e-mail: [jmahoney@usgs.gov](mailto:jmahoney@usgs.gov)).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** We are publishing this notice in accordance with the requirements of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (5 U.S.C. App.) (FACA). The Committee will conduct its operations in accordance with the provisions of the FACA. It will report to the Secretary of the Interior through the Chair of the FGDC Steering Committee and will function solely as an advisory body. The Committee will provide recommendations and advice to the Department and the FGDC on policy and management issues related to the effective operation of Federal geospatial programs.

The Secretary of the Interior will appoint Committee members. The Committee will be composed of up to 30 representatives, who will be selected to generally achieve a balanced representation of the viewpoints of the various stakeholders involved in national geospatial activities and the development of the NSDI.

The Committee is expected to meet 3-4 times per year. Committee members will serve without compensation. Travel and per diem costs will be provided for Committee members by the U.S. Geological Survey (USGS). The USGS will provide necessary support services to the Committee. Committee meetings will be open to the public. Notice of committee meetings will be published in the **Federal Register** at least 15 days before the date of the meeting. The public will have an opportunity to provide input at these meetings.

In accordance with FACA, a copy of the Committee's charter will be filed with the Committee Management Secretariat, General Services Administration; Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, United States Senate; Committee on Natural

Resources, United States House of Representatives; and the Library of Congress.

*The Certification for renewal is published below.*

*Certification:* I hereby certify that the National Geospatial Advisory Committee is in the public interest in connection with the performance of duties imposed on the Department of the Interior by Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Circular A-16 (Revised), "Coordination of Geographic Information and Related Spatial Data Activities." The Committee will assist the Department of the Interior by providing advice and recommendations related to the management of Federal geospatial programs and the development of the National Spatial Data Infrastructure.

Dated: January 28, 2010.

**Ken Salazar,**

*Secretary of the Interior.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Office of the Secretary

#### Terminating the Sporting Conservation Council

**AGENCY:** Office of the Secretary, Interior.

**ACTION:** Notice of termination.

**SUMMARY:** After consultation with the Secretary of Agriculture and the General Services Administration, we, the Department of the Interior, have terminated the Sporting Conservation Council.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Bruce Decker, Chief, Division of Program and Partnership Support, External Affairs, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, 4501 N. Fairfax Drive, Mailstop EA-3103, Arlington, Virginia 22203; telephone 703-358-2521.

Dated: January 7, 2010.

**Ken Salazar,**

*Secretary of the Interior.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Bureau of Land Management

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#### Notice of Availability of the Draft Environmental Impact Statement for the Proposed Chevron Energy Solutions Lucerne Valley Solar Project, San Bernardino County, CA, and the Draft California Desert Conservation Area Plan Amendment

**AGENCY:** Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

**ACTION:** Notice of Availability.

**SUMMARY:** In accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, as amended, and the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976, as amended, the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) has prepared a Draft California Desert Conservation Area (CDCA) Plan Amendment and a Draft Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the proposed Chevron Energy Solutions Lucerne Valley Solar Project and by this notice is announcing the opening of the comment period.

**DATES:** To ensure that comments will be considered, the BLM must receive written comments on the CDCA Plan Amendment and Draft EIS within 90 days following the date the Environmental Protection Agency publishes this Notice of Availability in the **Federal Register**. The BLM will announce future meetings or hearings and any other public involvement activities at least 15 days in advance through public notices, media releases, or mailings.

**ADDRESSES:** You may submit comments related to the proposed Chevron Energy Solutions Lucerne Valley Solar Project by any of the following methods:

- *Web site:* <http://www.blm.gov/ca/st/en/fo/barstow.html>.
- *E-mail:* [LucerneSolar@blm.gov](mailto:LucerneSolar@blm.gov).
- *Fax:* (951) 697-5299.
- *Mail or other delivery service:* Greg Thomsen, BLM California Desert District Office, 22835 Calle San Juan de Los Lagos, Moreno Valley, California 92553.

Copies of the Draft EIS and Draft CDCA Plan Amendment for the proposed Chevron Energy Solutions Lucerne Valley Solar Project are available in the California Desert District Office at the above address.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** For further information contact Greg Thomsen, Project Manager; telephone (951) 697-5237 or at the address and e-mail address above.