

limited researchers on a need-to-know basis, and the level of access provided to each researcher is based on the minimal level required that individual to fulfill his research role; the data will be backed up on a regular basis to safeguard against system failures or disasters; and, unencrypted data will never be stored on a laptop or on a movable media such as CDs, diskettes, or USB flash drives.

*For Paper Records:* The site interviewers will securely store any hard copy forms with personal identifiers until they are shipped to the evaluation contractor via commercial mail services; all hard copy forms with personal identifying data (the participant agreement/informed consent form) will be stored securely in a locked cabinet that can only be accessed by authorized individuals working on the data. The locked cabinet will be stored in a locked office in a limited-access building. Additionally, permissions will be defined for each authorized user based on the user's role on the project. For example, the local site interviewer will be able to review data for study participants only for his or her own specific site. Study data will be aggregated or de-identified at the highest level possible for each required, authorized use.

#### RECORD ACCESS PROCEDURES:

Individuals requesting records of themselves should address written inquiries to the Department of Housing Urban and Development 451 7th Street, SW Washington, DC 20410. For verification, individuals should provide their full name, current address, and telephone number. In addition, the requester must provide either a notarized statement or an unsworn declaration made under 24 CFR 16.4.

#### CONTESTING RECORD PROCEDURES:

The HUD rule for accessing, contesting, and appealing agency determinations by the individual concerned are published in 24 CFR 16.8 or may be obtained from the system manager.

#### NOTIFICATION PROCEDURES:

Individuals requesting notification of records of themselves should address written inquiries to the Department of Housing Urban Development, 451 7th Street SW, Washington, DC 20410-0001. For verification purposes, individuals should provide their full name, office or organization where assigned, if applicable, and current address and telephone number. In addition, the requester must provide either a

notarized statement or an unsworn declaration made under 24 CFR 16.4.

#### EXEMPTIONS PROMULGATED FOR THE SYSTEM:

None.

#### HISTORY:

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**LaDonne L. White,**

*Chief Privacy Officer, Office of Administration.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

[Docket No. FR-7092-N-11]

### Privacy Act of 1974; System of Records

**AGENCY:** Office of Single-Family Asset Management, HUD.

**ACTION:** Notice of a rescindment of a systems of records.

**SUMMARY:** Pursuant to the provisions of the Privacy Act of 1974, as amended, the Department of the Housing and Urban Development (HUD), the Office of Single-Family Asset Management, is issuing a public notice of its intent to rescind the Validation and Disposition Service (VDS-Best Ex) because the project was terminated and never went into Production.

**DATES:** Comments will be accepted on or before February 22, 2024. This proposed action will be effective immediately upon publication.

**ADDRESSES:** You may submit comments, identified by one of the following methods:

*Federal e-Rulemaking Portal:* <https://www.regulations.gov>. Follow the instructions provided on that site to submit comments electronically.

*Fax:* 202-619-8365.

*Email:* [privacy@hud.gov](mailto:privacy@hud.gov).

*Mail:* Attention: Privacy Office; LaDonne White, Chief Privacy Officer; The Executive Secretariat; 451 Seventh Street SW, Room 10139; Washington, DC 20410-0001.

*Instructions:* All submissions received must include the agency name and docket number for this rulemaking. All comments received will be posted without change to <https://www.regulations.gov> including any personal information provided.

*Docket:* For access to the docket to read background documents or comments received go to <https://www.regulations.gov>.

#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

LaDonne White, Chief Privacy Officer, 451 Seventh Street SW, Room 10139; Washington, DC 20410; telephone number (202) 708-3054 (this is not a toll-free number). HUD welcomes and is prepared to receive calls from individuals who are deaf or hard of hearing, as well as individuals with speech or communication disabilities. To learn more about how to make an accessible telephone call, please visit <https://www.fcc.gov/consumers/guides/telecommunications-relay-service-trs>.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Validation and Disposition Service (VDS-Best Ex) is being terminated because the project never went into production. The VDS-Best Ex was developed to allow HUD to mitigate financial risk to the Federal Housing Administration (FHA) Mutual Mortgage Insurance Fund (MMIF) by providing property valuation and disposition strategies. The records are no longer maintained by HUD and have run the record retention period. All test and other data containing PII used in development has been deleted.

#### SYSTEM NAME AND NUMBER:

Validation and Disposition Service (VDS-Best Ex).

#### HISTORY:

Agency Docket Number: FR-6146-N-02, 84 FR 14386 (April 10, 2019)

**Ladonne White,**

*Chief Privacy Officer, Office of Administration.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Fish and Wildlife Service

[FWS-R3-ES-2023-N004;  
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### Endangered and Threatened Species; Receipt of Recovery Permit Applications

**AGENCY:** Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.

**ACTION:** Notice of receipt of permit applications; request for comments.

**SUMMARY:** We, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, have received applications for permits to conduct activities intended to enhance the propagation or survival of endangered or threatened species under the Endangered Species Act. We invite the public and local, State, Tribal, and Federal agencies to comment on these

applications. Before issuing any of the requested permits, we will take into consideration any information that we receive during the public comment period.

**DATES:** We must receive your written comments on or before February 22, 2024.

**ADDRESSES: Document availability and comment submission:** Submit requests for copies of the applications and related documents, as well as any comments, by one of the following methods. All requests and comments should specify the applicant name(s) and application number(s) (e.g., ESXXXXXX; see table in

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

- *Email (preferred method):* [permitsR3ES@fws.gov](mailto:permitsR3ES@fws.gov). Please refer to the respective application number (e.g., Application No. ESXXXXXX) in the subject line of your email message.

- *U.S. Mail:* Regional Director, Attn: Nathan Rathbun, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Ecological Services, 5600 American Blvd. West, Suite 990, Bloomington, MN 55437–1458.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Nathan Rathbun, 612–713–5343 (phone); [permitsR3ES@fws.gov](mailto:permitsR3ES@fws.gov) (email). Individuals in the United States who are deaf, deafblind, hard of hearing, or have a speech disability may dial 711 (TTY,

TDD, or TeleBraille) to access telecommunications relay services. Individuals outside the United States should use the relay services offered within their country to make international calls to the point-of-contact in the United States.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** We, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, invite review and comment from the public and local, State, Tribal, and Federal agencies on applications we have received for permits to conduct certain activities with endangered and threatened species under section 10(a)(1)(A) of the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (ESA; 16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*), and our regulations in the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) at 50 CFR part 17. Documents and other information submitted with the applications are available for review, subject to the requirements of the Privacy Act and the Freedom of Information Act.

**Background**

The ESA prohibits certain activities with endangered and threatened species unless authorized by a Federal permit. The ESA and our implementing regulations in part 17 of title 50 of the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) provide for the issuance of such permits and require that we invite public

comment before issuing permits for activities involving endangered species.

A recovery permit issued by us under section 10(a)(1)(A) of the ESA authorizes the permittee to conduct activities with endangered species for scientific purposes that promote recovery or for enhancement of propagation or survival of the species. Our regulations implementing section 10(a)(1)(A) for these permits are found at 50 CFR 17.22 for endangered wildlife species, 50 CFR 17.32 for threatened wildlife species, 50 CFR 17.62 for endangered plant species, and 50 CFR 17.72 for threatened plant species.

**Permit Applications Available for Review and Comment**

The ESA requires that we invite public comment before issuing these permits. Accordingly, we invite local, State, Tribal, and Federal agencies and the public to submit written data, views, or arguments with respect to these applications. The comments and recommendations that will be most useful and likely to influence agency decisions are those supported by quantitative information or studies. Proposed activities in the following permit requests are for the recovery and enhancement of propagation or survival of the species in the wild.

Application No.	Applicant	Species	Location	Activity	Type of take	Permit action
ESPER5565041 .....	Julia Leone, Saint Paul, MN.	Rusty patched bumble bee ( <i>Bombus affinis</i> ).	MN .....	Conduct presence/absence surveys, document habitat use, conduct population monitoring, and evaluate impacts.	Capture, handle, and release.	New.
ES64079B .....	Minnesota Zoo, Apple Valley, MN.	Dakota skipper ( <i>Hesperia dacotae</i> ), poweshiek skipperling ( <i>Oarisma poweshiek</i> ), rusty patched bumble bee ( <i>Bombus affinis</i> ).	MI, MN, ND, SD, WI.	Conduct presence/absence surveys, document habitat use, conduct population monitoring, and evaluate impacts.	Capture, handle, identify, mark, monitor and survey, captive rearing, propagation, and release.	Renew and amend.
TE06845A .....	Lochmueller Group, Evansville, IN.	Add new species—tricolored bat ( <i>Perimyotis subflavus</i> )—to existing authorized species: Indiana bat ( <i>Myotis sodalis</i> ), northern long-eared bat ( <i>M. septentrionalis</i> ), and gray bat ( <i>M. grisescens</i> ).	GA, IL, IN, KY, OH; add: AL, AR, CO, DC, FL, IA, KS, LA, MA, MD, ME, MI, MN, MS, MO, MT, NE, NC, NH, NJ, NY, ND, OK, PA, RI, SD, TN, TX, UT, VI, VT, WI, WY, WV.	Conduct presence/absence surveys, document habitat use, conduct population monitoring, and evaluate impacts.	Capture with mist nets, identify, handle, collect non-intrusive measurements, band, radio-tag, and release.	Renew and amend.
ESPER5664139 .....	Keryn Ju-neau, River Falls, WI.	Rusty patched bumble bee ( <i>Bombus affinis</i> ).	WI .....	Conduct presence/absence surveys, document habitat use, conduct population monitoring, and evaluate impacts.	Capture, handle, hold, and release.	New.

Application No.	Applicant	Species	Location	Activity	Type of take	Permit action
ES08501D .....	Alyssa Roberts, Grand Rapids, MN.	Rusty patched bumble bee ( <i>Bombus affinis</i> ).	IA, IL, IN, MI, MN, MO, OH, WI.	Conduct presence/absence surveys, document habitat use, conduct population monitoring, and evaluate impacts.	Capture, handle, hold, and release.	Renew.
ES81122C .....	Three Rivers Park District, Plymouth, MN.	Rusty patched bumble bee ( <i>Bombus affinis</i> ).	MN .....	Conduct presence/absence surveys, document habitat use, conduct population monitoring, and evaluate impacts.	Capture, handle, and release.	Renew.
ES74742C .....	Benjamin Smith, Kearney, MO.	Add new species—Tricolored bat ( <i>Perimyotis subflavus</i> ) and Ozark big-eared bat ( <i>Corynorhinus townsendii ingens</i> )—to existing authorized species: Indiana bat ( <i>Myotis sodalis</i> ), northern long-eared bat ( <i>M. septentrionalis</i> ), and gray bat ( <i>M. grisescens</i> ).	AL, AR, CT, DC, DE, FL, GA, KS, KY, IA, IL, IN, LA, MA, MD, ME, MI, MN, MO, MS, NC, NE, ND, NH, NJ, NY, OK, OH, PA, RI, SC, SD, TN, TX, VA, VT, WI, WV, WY.	Conduct presence/absence surveys, document habitat use, conduct population monitoring, and evaluate impacts.	Capture with mist nets and harp traps, identify, handle, collect non-intrusive measurements, band, radio-tag, and release.	Renew and amend.
ES74592A .....	Robert Brown, Liberty Township, OH.	Add new species—Tricolored bat ( <i>Perimyotis subflavus</i> )—to existing authorized species: Indiana bat ( <i>Myotis sodalis</i> ), northern long-eared bat ( <i>M. septentrionalis</i> ), gray bat ( <i>M. grisescens</i> ), Ozark big-eared bat ( <i>Corynorhinus townsendii ingens</i> ), Virginia big-eared bat ( <i>C. t. virginianus</i> ).	AL, AR, CT, DE, DC, FL, GA, IL, IN, IA, KS, KY, LA, ME, MD, MA, MI, MN, MO, MS, MT, NE, NH, NJ, NY, NC, ND, OK, OH, PA, RI, SC, SD, TN, VT, VA, WV, WI, WY.	Conduct presence/absence surveys, document habitat use, conduct population monitoring, and evaluate impacts.	Capture with mist nets and harp traps, identify, handle, collect non-intrusive measurements, band, enter hibernacula, radio-tag, and release.	Renew and amend.
ES06452D .....	National Park Service Apostle Islands National Lakeshore, Bayfield, WI.	Piping plover ( <i>Charadrius melodus</i> ).	WI .....	Conduct presence/absence surveys, document habitat use, conduct population monitoring, and evaluate impacts.	Capture, handle, salvage, release, and erect enclosures.	Renew.
ES38842A .....	Sanders Environmental, Inc., Bellefonte, PA.	Indiana bat ( <i>Myotis sodalis</i> ), northern long-eared bat ( <i>M. septentrionalis</i> ), gray bat ( <i>M. grisescens</i> ), Ozark big-eared bat ( <i>Corynorhinus townsendii ingens</i> ), Virginia big-eared bat ( <i>C. t. virginianus</i> ).	Add new states—TX—to existing authorized states: AL, AR, FL, GA, IL, IN, IA, KS, KY, LA, MI, MN, MO, MS, MT, NC, ND, OK, OH, SC, SD, TN, WI, WY.	Conduct presence/absence surveys, document habitat use, conduct population monitoring, and evaluate impacts.	Capture, handle, radio-tag, band, and release.	Amend.

Application No.	Applicant	Species	Location	Activity	Type of take	Permit action
ES03494B .....	GAI Consultants, Florence, KY.	Add new species—Tricolored bat ( <i>Perimyotis subflavus</i> )—to existing authorized species: Indiana bat ( <i>Myotis sodalis</i> ), northern long-eared bat ( <i>M. septentrionalis</i> ), gray bat ( <i>M. grisescens</i> ), Ozark big-eared bat ( <i>Corynorhinus townsendii ingens</i> ), Virginia big-eared bat ( <i>C. t. virginianus</i> ).	AL, AR, CO, CT, DC, DE, FL, GA, KS, KY, IA, IL, IN, LA, MA, MD, ME, MI, MN, MO, MS, MT, NC, NE, ND, NH, NJ, NM, NY, OK, OH, PA, RI, SC, SD, TN, TX, VA, VT, WI, WV, WY.	Conduct presence/absence surveys, document habitat use, conduct population monitoring, and evaluate impacts.	Capture with mist nets and harp traps, identify, handle, collect non-intrusive measurements, band, radio-tag, and release.	Renew and amend.
ES24566D .....	Nicholas Smeenk, Columbus, OH.	Eastern massasauga rattlesnake ( <i>Sistrurus catenatus</i> ) and copperbelly water snake ( <i>Nerodia erythrogaster neglecta</i> ).	IA, IL, IN, MI, NY, OH, PA, WI.	Conduct presence/absence surveys, document habitat use, conduct population monitoring, and evaluate impacts.	Capture, temporary hold for processing, handle, collect tissue samples, mark with PIT tags and/or ventral scale clips, and release.	Renew.
ES37065D .....	U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Carlyle Lake Project Office, Carlyle, IL.	Eastern massasauga rattlesnake ( <i>Sistrurus catenatus</i> ).	IL .....	Conduct presence/absence surveys, document habitat use, conduct population monitoring, and evaluate impacts.	Capture, temporary hold for processing, handle, and release.	Renew.
ES14549C .....	Larissa Herrera, Belmont, MI.	Add new species—round hickorynut ( <i>Obovaria subrotunda</i> ), to existing authorized species: 11 freshwater mussel species.	IA, IL, IN, MI, MN, OH, WI.	Conduct presence/absence surveys, document habitat use, conduct population monitoring, and evaluate impacts.	Capture, handle, release, and relocate due to stranding..	Amend.
TE90426C .....	Natalie Dingleidine, Haslett, MI.	Hungerford's crawling water beetle ( <i>Brychius hungerfordi</i> ).	MI .....	Conduct presence/absence surveys, document habitat use, conduct population monitoring, conduct health and disease monitoring, and evaluate impacts.	Capture, handle, temporarily hold, handle, release, relocate, and salvage.	Renew.
TE60958A .....	Bat Calls Identification, Inc. Kansas City, MO.	Indiana bat ( <i>Myotis sodalis</i> ), northern long-eared bat ( <i>M. septentrionalis</i> ), gray bat ( <i>M. grisescens</i> ), Ozark big-eared bat ( <i>Corynorhinus townsendii ingens</i> ), Virginia big-eared bat ( <i>C. t. virginianus</i> ).	AL, AR, CT, DE, FL, GA, IL, IN, IA, KS, KY, LA, ME, MD, MA, MI, MN, MO, MS, MT, NE, NH, NJ, NY, NC, ND, OK, OH, PA, RI, SC, SD, TN, VT, VA, WV, WI, WY.	Conduct presence/absence surveys, document habitat use, conduct population monitoring, and evaluate impacts.	Capture with mist nets, identify, handle, collect non-intrusive measurements, band, radio-tag, and release.	Renew.
ES30472 .....	Elaine Evans, St. Paul, MN.	Rusty patched bumble bee ( <i>Bombus affinis</i> ).	MN, WI .....	Conduct presence/absence surveys, document habitat use, conduct population monitoring, and evaluate impacts.	Capture, handle, identify, mark, bio sample and release.	Renew and Amend.
TE64073B .....	Ecological and GIS Services, Indianola, IA.	Dakota skipper ( <i>Hesperia dacotae</i> ), Poweshiek skipperling ( <i>Oarisma poweshiek</i> ).	IA, MN, SD ...	Conduct presence/absence surveys, document habitat use, conduct population monitoring, and evaluate impacts.	Capture, handle, release ...	Renew.

Application No.	Applicant	Species	Location	Activity	Type of take	Permit action
ESPER1462021 .....	Keystone Ecological Services, LLC, Wellsboro, PA.	Add new species—Gray bat ( <i>Myotis grisescens</i> ), tricolored bat ( <i>Perimyotis subflavus</i> )—to existing authorized species: Indiana bat ( <i>M. sodalis</i> ), northern long-eared bat ( <i>M. septentrionalis</i> ), Virginia big-eared bat ( <i>Corynorhinus townsendii virginianus</i> ).	Add new states—AL, AR, CO, GA, IL, IN, KS, MO, MS, NM, OK—to existing authorized states: CT, DC, DE, IA, KY, LA, MA, MD, ME, MI, MN, MT, NC, ND, NE, NH, NJ, NY, OH, PA, RI, SC, SD, TN, TX, VA, VT, WI, WV, WY.	Conduct presence/absence surveys, document habitat use, conduct population monitoring, and evaluate impacts.	Add new activity—capture with harp traps—to existing authorized activities: capture with mist nets, identify, handle, collect non-intrusive measurements, band, radio-tag, and release.	Amend.
ESPER0002430 .....	David Ford, Spring, TX.	Add new species—Round hickorynut ( <i>Obovaria subrotunda</i> ) and longsolid ( <i>Fusconaia subrotunda</i> ), to existing authorized species: 21 freshwater mussel species.	AL, AR, GA, IL, IN, IA, KS, KY, LA, MI, MN, MO, MS, NE, NM, NY, NC, OK, OH, PA, SD, TN, TX, VA, WV, WI.	Conduct presence/absence surveys, document habitat use, conduct population monitoring, and evaluate impacts.	Capture, handle, release, and relocate.	Amend.

**Public Availability of Comments**

Written comments we receive become part of the administrative record associated with this action. Before including your address, phone number, email address, or other personal identifying information in your comment, you should be aware that your entire comment—including your personal identifying information—may be made publicly available at any time. While you can request in your comment that we withhold your personal identifying information from public review, we cannot guarantee that we will be able to do so. Moreover, all submissions from organizations or businesses, and from individuals identifying themselves as representatives or officials of organizations or businesses, will be made available for public disclosure in their entirety.

**Next Steps**

If we decide to issue permits to any of the applicants listed in this notice, we will publish a notice in the **Federal Register**.

**Authority**

We publish this notice under section 10(c) of the Endangered Species Act of

1973, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*).

**Lori Nordstrom,**

*Assistant Regional Director, Ecological Service, Midwest Region.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR**

**Bureau of Indian Affairs**

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**Indian Gaming; Approval by Operation of Law of Amendment to Class III Tribal-State Gaming Compacts (Sherwood Valley Band of Pomo Indians, Resighini Rancheria, Manchester Band of Pomo Indians, Cahto Tribe of the Laytonville Rancheria, and the State of California)**

**AGENCY:** Bureau of Indian Affairs, Interior.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** This notice publishes the approval by operation of law of amendments to the Tribal-State Gaming Compacts between the Sherwood Valley Rancheria of Pomo Indians, Resighini Rancheria, Manchester Band of Pomo Indians of the Manchester Rancheria,

Cahto Tribe of the Laytonville Rancheria, respectively, and the State of California.

**DATES:** The Compacts takes effect on January 23, 2024.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Ms. Paula L. Hart, Director, Office of Indian Gaming, Office of the Assistant Secretary—Indian Affairs, Washington, DC 20240, (202) 219–4066.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Indian Gaming Regulatory Act of 1988, 25 U.S.C. 2701 *et seq.*, (IGRA) provides the Secretary of the Interior (Secretary) with 45 days to review and approve or disapprove the Tribal-State compact governing the conduct of Class III gaming activity on the Tribe’s Indian lands. *See* 25 U.S.C. 2710(d)(8). If the Secretary does not approve or disapprove a Tribal-State compact within the 45 days, IGRA provides the Tribal-State compact is considered to have been approved by the Secretary but only to the extent the compact is consistent with IGRA. *See* 25 U.S.C. 2710(d)(8)(C). The IGRA also requires the Secretary of the Interior to publish in the **Federal Register** notice of the approved Tribal-State compacts for the purpose of engaging in Class III gaming activities on Indian lands. *See* 25 U.S.C. 2710(d)(8)(D). The Department’s regulations at 25 CFR 293.4 require all