

for this determination in an Environmental Action Statement, which is also available for public review.

The presence of both CRLF and VELB on the enrolled properties is uncertain at this time due to lack of detailed survey information. For the purposes of the Agreement, the Service and Applicants have set the baseline for CRLF and VELB as the habitat that existed on the ranches prior to wetland creation activities. Therefore, the CRLF baseline is 18 reservoirs comprising approximately 45 acres. Sixteen of the reservoirs occur on the Burrows Ranch and two on the Big Bluff Ranch. For the VELB, the baseline is 65 naturally occurring elderberry bushes, of which 39 occur on the Burrows Ranch and 25 occur on the Big Bluff Ranch.

Under the Agreement, the Applicants would or have undertaken activities to benefit the CRLF. The Applicants have fenced nine existing reservoirs and six newly created ponds and installed watering troughs in order to exclude livestock from the reservoirs. The Applicants propose to: (1) Manage existing wetlands (through the use of livestock or light equipment) to maintain open water and wetland vegetation to benefit CRLF; (2) where practical and feasible for the Applicants and where it does not interfere with the operation of the Ranches, undertake bullfrog eradication efforts in ponds where bullfrogs are present; and (3) where practical and feasible for the Applicants and where it does not interfere with the operation of the Ranches, fence additional reservoirs and newly created ponds to exclude livestock. In addition to this, Burrows Ranch has created approximately 5.7 acres of ponds. These ponds were developed through a cooperative agreement with the Service's Partners for Fish and Wildlife program.

To benefit the VELB the Applicants propose to: (1) Manage vegetation and activity around the elderberry plants following the most current guidelines and measures developed and approved by the Service; (2) allow for recruitment of elderberry plants within riparian areas near existing elderberry plant communities by allowing all newly established elderberry plants within 50 feet of existing elderberry plants to grow and mature; and (3) work with the Service to identify suitable habitat areas and once funding is secured, plant elderberry bushes in areas amenable to the Applicants.

Under the Agreement, consistent with the Service's Safe Harbor Policy published in the **Federal Register** on June 17, 1999 (64 FR 32717), the Service would issue a permit to the Applicants

authorizing incidental take as a result of normal land management activities on the Ranches' 7,450 acres. The properties subject to this Agreement range in elevation from approximately 800 feet to 1,760 feet and have traditionally been used for agricultural production, including cattle grazing and farming for dry land crops. Some of the land use activities that the Applicants have completed to further their land stewardship goals and to increase income from hunting and livestock grazing include creating wildlife habitat ponds for waterfowl, amphibians, game species, and others; fencing existing reservoirs and installing watering troughs in order to exclude livestock from the reservoirs to improve habitat for waterfowl; maintaining and monitoring wood duck nest boxes; clearing decadent brush and reseeding to annual clovers and perennial grasses to provide wildlife food and cover; planting grains and alfalfa for wildlife; and holding annual Stewardship Days in which neighbors, college students, resource agency employees, and others learn about sustainable ranch management and wildlife habitat improvement techniques, conduct vegetation and wildlife monitoring, and more.

Public Review and Comments

Individuals wishing copies of the permit application, copies of our preliminary Environmental Action Statement, and/or copies of the full text of the Agreement, including a map of the proposed permit area, references, and legal descriptions of the proposed permit area, should contact the office and personnel listed in the **ADDRESSES** section above.

If you wish to comment on the permit application or the Agreement, you may submit your comments to the address listed in the **ADDRESSES** section of this document. Comments and materials received, including names and addresses of respondents, will be available for public review, by appointment, during normal business hours at the address in the **ADDRESSES** section above and will become part of the public record, pursuant to section 10(c) of the Act. Individual respondents may request that we withhold their home address from the record, which we will honor to the extent allowable by law. There also may be circumstances in which we would withhold from the record a respondent's identity, as allowable by law. If you wish us to withhold your name and/or address, you must state this prominently at the beginning of your comment. Anonymous comments will not be

considered. All submissions from organizations or businesses, and from individuals identifying themselves as representatives or officials of organizations or businesses, are available for public inspection in their entirety.

We will evaluate this permit application, associated documents, and comments submitted thereon to determine whether the permit application meets the requirements of section 10(a) of the Act and NEPA regulations. If we determine that the requirements are met, we will sign the proposed Agreement and issue an enhancement of survival permit under section 10(a)(1)(A) of the Act to the Applicants for take of the CRLF and the VELB incidental to otherwise lawful activities in accordance with the terms of the Agreement. We will not make our final decision until after the end of the 30-day comment period and will fully consider all comments received during the comment period.

The Service provides this notice pursuant to section 10(c) of the Act and pursuant to implementing regulations for NEPA (40 CFR 1506.6).

Dated: October 18, 2005.

Ken McDermond,

Deputy Manager, California/Nevada Operations Office, Sacramento, California.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Geological Survey

Request for Public Comments on Extension of Existing Information Collection Submitted to OMB for Review Under the Paperwork Reduction Act

A proposal extending information collection described below has been submitted to the Office of Management and Budget for approval under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35). Copies of the proposed collection of information may be obtained by contacting the Bureau's clearance officer at the phone number listed below. OMB has up to 60 days to approve or disapprove the information collection but may respond after 30 days; therefore, public comments should be submitted to OMB within 30 days in order to assure their maximum consideration. Address your comments and suggestions on the proposal by fax (202) 395-6566 or e-mail (oir_docket@omb.eop.gov) to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget,

Attention: Desk Officer for the Interior Department. Send copies of your comments to the USGS Clearance Officer, U.S. Geological Survey, 807 National Center, 12201 Sunrise Valley Drive, Reston, Virginia, 20192, or e-mail (jcordyac@usgs.gov).

As required by OMB regulations at 5 CFR 1320.8(d)(1), the USGS solicits specific public comments as to:

1. Whether the collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the bureaus, including whether the information will have practical utility;
2. The accuracy of the bureau's estimate of the burden of the collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;
3. The quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and
4. How to minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other forms of information technology.

Title: Earthquake Report.

OMB Approval No: 1028-0048.

Summary: The collection of information referred herein applies to a World-Wide Web site questionnaire that permits individuals to report on the effects of the shaking from an earthquake—on themselves personally, buildings, other man-made structures, and ground effects such as faulting or landslides. The USGS may use the information to provide qualitative, quantitative, or graphical descriptions of earthquake damage.

Estimated Completion Time: 6 minutes.

Estimated Annual Number of Respondents: 100,000.

Frequency: After each earthquake.

Estimated Annual Burden Hours: 10,000 hours.

Affected Public: The general public.

For Further Information Contact: To obtain copies of the survey, contact the Bureau clearance officer, U.S. Geological Survey, 807 National Center, 12201 Sunrise Valley Drive, Reston, Virginia, 20192, telephone (703) 648-7313, or go to the Web site (<http://pasadena.wr.usgs.gov/shake/>).

Dated: September 27, 2005.

Linda C. Gundersen,

Acting Associate Director for Geology.

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DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Office on Violence Against Women; Notice of Meeting

AGENCY: Office on Violence Against Women, Justice.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: This notice sets forth the schedule and proposed agenda of the forthcoming public meeting of the National Advisory Committee on Violence Against Women (hereinafter "the Committee").

DATES: The meeting will take place on November 14, 2005, from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. and on November 15, 2005, from 8:30 a.m. to 12 noon.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will take place at the Department of Health and Human Services, Hubert H. Humphrey Building, 200 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20201. Please access the building at the Independence Avenue entrance. Signs will be posted in the lobby to direct attendees to the meeting location.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Kristina Rose, The National Advisory Committee on Violence Against Women, 800 K Street, NW., Ste. 920, Washington, DC 20530; by telephone at: (202) 307-6026; e-mail: Kristina.Rose@usdoj.gov; or fax: (202) 307-3911. You may also view the Committee's Web site at: <http://www.usdoj.gov/ovw/nac/welcome.html>.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Notice of this meeting is required under section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act. The Committee is chartered by the Attorney General, and co-chaired by the Attorney General and the Secretary of Health and Human Services (the Secretary), to provide the Attorney General and the Secretary with practical and general policy advice concerning implementation of the Violence Against Women Act of 1994, the Violence Against Women Act of 2000, and related laws. The Committee also assists in the efforts of the Department of Justice and the Department of Health and Human Services to combat violence against women, especially domestic violence, sexual assault, and stalking. Because violence against women is increasingly recognized as a public health problem of staggering human cost, the Committee brings national attention to the problem to increase public awareness of the need for prevention and enhanced victim services.

This meeting will primarily focus on the Committee's work and the federal government's response to violence

against women; there will, however, be an opportunity for public comment on the Committee's role in providing general policy guidance on implementation of the Violence Against Women Act of 1994, the Violence Against Women Act of 2000, and related laws.

Schedule: This meeting will be held on November 14, 2005, from 8:30 a.m. until 5 p.m. and on November 15, 2005, from 8:30 a.m. until 12 noon, and will include breaks and a working lunch. Time will be reserved for public comment on November 14 beginning at 11:30 a.m. and ending at 12 p.m. See the section below for information on reserving time for public comment.

Access: This meeting will be open to the public but registration on a space-available basis is required. Persons who wish to attend must register at least six (6) days in advance of the meeting by contacting Kristina Rose by e-mail at: Kristina.Rose@usdoj.gov; or fax: (202) 307-3911. All attendees will be required to sign in at the meeting registration desk. Please bring photo identification and allow extra time prior to the meeting. The meeting site is accessible to individuals with disabilities. Individuals who require special accommodations in order to attend the meeting should notify Kristina Rose by e-mail at: Kristina.Rose@usdoj.gov; or fax at: (202) 307-3911, no later than November 4, 2005. After this date, we will attempt to satisfy accommodation requests, but cannot guarantee the availability of any requests.

Written Comments: Interested parties are invited to submit written comments by November 4, 2005, to Kristina Rose at The National Advisory Committee on Violence Against Women, 800 K Street, NW., Ste. 920, Washington, DC 20530. Comments may also be submitted by e-mail at Kristina.Rose@usdoj.gov; or fax at (202) 307-3911.

Public Comment: Persons interested in participating during the public comment period of the meeting, which will discuss the implementation of the Violence Against Women Act of 1994 and the Violence Against Women Act of 2000, are requested to reserve time on the agenda by contacting Kristina Rose by e-mail at Kristina.Rose@usdoj.gov; or fax at (202) 307-3911. Requests must include the participant's name, organization represented, if appropriate, and a brief description of the issue. Each participant will be permitted approximately 3 to 5 minutes to present comments, depending on the number of individuals reserving time on the agenda. Participants are also encouraged to submit two written copies of their comments at the meeting.