

attacks. The original comment period was scheduled to conclude on October 11, 2007. FEMA is extending the comment period until October 22, 2007.

**DATES:** This notice is effective October 5, 2007. Comments must be received by October 22, 2007.

**ADDRESSES:** The NRF is available online in the NRF Resource Center located at <http://www.fema.gov/NRF> or <http://www.fema.gov/emergency/NRF>, as well as in the docket for this notice at [www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov). You may also view a hard copy of the NRF at the Office of Chief Counsel, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Room 835, 500 C Street, SW., Washington, DC 20472. You may submit comments on the NRF, identified by Docket ID FEMA-2007-0007, by one of the following methods:

**Federal eRulemaking Portal:** <http://www.regulations.gov>. Follow the instructions for submitting comments.

**E-mail:** [FEMA-POLICY@dhs.gov](mailto:FEMA-POLICY@dhs.gov). Include Docket ID FEMA-2007-0007 in the subject line of the message.

**Fax:** 866-466-5370.

**Mail/Hand Delivery/Courier:** Regulation & Policy Team, Office of Chief Counsel, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Room 835, 500 C Street, SW., Washington, DC 20472.

**Instructions:** All submissions received must include the agency name and docket ID. Regardless of the method used for submitting comments or material, all submissions will be posted, without change, to the Federal eRulemaking Portal at <http://www.regulations.gov>, and will include any personal information you provide. Therefore, submitting this information makes it public. You may wish to read the Privacy Act notice that is available on the Privacy and Use Notice link on the Administration Navigation Bar of [www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov).

FEMA has also provided a form, available in the docket at [www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov) and in the NRF Resource Center at <http://www.fema.gov/NRF> or <http://www.fema.gov/emergency/NRF>. Due to the large number of comments that are expected, FEMA asks that comments be submitted using this form.

**Docket:** For access to the docket to read background documents or comments received, go to the Federal eRulemaking Portal at <http://www.regulations.gov>. Submitted comments may also be inspected at FEMA, Office of Chief Counsel, Room 835, 500 C Street, SW., Washington, DC 20472.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Andrew Slaten, Acting National

Response Framework Branch Chief, Federal Emergency Management Agency, 999 E Street, NW., Washington, DC 20463, 202-646-8152.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** On September 11, 2007, (72 FR 51833), FEMA published a notice of availability and request for comments on the National Response Framework (NRF). FEMA has since received requests to extend the comment period. In order to accommodate these requests and to provide additional opportunities for public comment, FEMA is providing notice that it will continue to accept comments on the NRF until October 22, 2007.

The NRF is available online in the NRF Resource Center located at <http://www.fema.gov/NRF> or <http://www.fema.gov/emergency/NRF>, and the docket for this notice at [www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov) (docket number FEMA-2007-0007).

**Authority:** Homeland Security Act of 2002, as amended, 6 U.S.C. 101, *et seq.*, Homeland Security Presidential Directive-5, Management of Domestic Incidents.

Dated: October 5, 2007.

**R. David Paulson,**  
*Administrator, Federal Emergency Management Agency.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

### National Communications System

[Docket No. NCS-2007-0004]

### National Security Telecommunications Advisory Committee

**AGENCY:** National Communications System, DHS.

**ACTION:** Notice of Partially Closed Advisory Committee Meeting.

**SUMMARY:** The President's National Security Telecommunications Advisory Committee (NSTAC) will be meeting by teleconference: the meeting will be partially closed.

**DATES:** Thursday, November 8, 2007, from 2 p.m. until 3 p.m.

**ADDRESSES:** The meeting will take place by teleconference. For access to the conference bridge and meeting materials, contact Ms. Sue Daage at (703) 235-5526 or by e-mail at [sue.daage@dhs.gov](mailto:sue.daage@dhs.gov) by 5 p.m. on Friday, November 1, 2007. If you desire to submit comments, they must be submitted by November 15, 2007. Comments must be identified by NCS-

2007-0004 and may be submitted by one of the following methods:

• **Federal eRulemaking Portal:** <http://www.regulations.gov>. Follow the instructions for submitting comments.

• **E-mail:** [NSTAC1@dhs.gov](mailto:NSTAC1@dhs.gov). Include docket number in the subject line of the message.

• **Mail:** Office of the Manager, National Communications System (N5), Department of Homeland Security, Washington, DC 20529.

• **Fax:** 1-866-466-5370.

**Instructions:** All submissions received must include the words "Department of Homeland Security" and NCS-2007-0004, the docket number for this action. Comments received will be posted without alteration at <http://www.regulations.gov>, including any personal information provided.

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

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Ms. Kiesha Gebreyes, Chief, Industry Operations Branch at (703) 235-5525, e-mail: [Kiesha.Gebreyes@dhs.gov](mailto:Kiesha.Gebreyes@dhs.gov) or write the Deputy Manager, National Communications System, Department of Homeland Security, CS&C/NCS/N5.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** NSTAC advises the President on issues and problems related to implementing national security and emergency preparedness telecommunications policy. Notice of this meeting is given under the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA), Public Law 92-463 (1972), as amended appearing in 5 U.S.C. App. 1 *et seq.* (1997).

At the upcoming meeting, between 2 p.m. and 2:25 p.m., the conference call will include government stakeholder feedback on NSTAC initiatives and an overview of NSTAC's investigation of identity management and emergency communications interoperability for national security and emergency preparedness communications. This portion of the meeting will be open to the public.

Between 2:25 p.m. and 3 p.m., the committee will discuss and vote on the results of their investigation of the global network infrastructure environment, and will also discuss and vote on the results of their investigation of commercial systems' reliance on global positioning systems for network timing synchronization. This portion of the meeting will be closed to the public.

Persons with disabilities who require special assistance should indicate this when arranging access to the teleconference and are encouraged to identify anticipated special needs as early as possible.

*Basis for Closure:* Discussions about the global network infrastructure environment and about commercial systems' reliance on global positioning systems for network timing synchronization will contain sensitive industry information concerning specific system threats and explicit physical/cyber vulnerabilities. This information could be exploited by terrorists or other motivated adversaries.

Pursuant to section 10(d) of FACA, the Department has determined that this discussion will likely reveal trade secrets or financial information obtained from private parties which is privileged or confidential. Pursuant to section 10(d) of FACA, the Department has also determined that this discussion will concern matters which, if disclosed, would be likely to frustrate significantly the implementation of a proposed agency action. Accordingly, the relevant portion of this meeting will be closed to the public pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 552b(c)(4) and 552b(c)(9)(B) (1976), applied through 5 U.S.C. App. 1 *et seq.* at § 10(d) (1997).

Dated: September 9, 2007.

**Gary Amato,**

Chief, Technical and Programs Division,  
National Communications System.

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Fish and Wildlife Service

#### Recovery Plan for *Silene spaldingii* (Spalding's Catchfly)

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

**ACTION:** Notice of document availability.

**SUMMARY:** We, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, announce the availability of the Recovery Plan for *Silene spaldingii* (Spalding's Catchfly). *Silene spaldingii* is a plant native to portions of Idaho, Montana, Oregon, Washington, and British Columbia, Canada. We listed this species as a threatened species under the Endangered Species Act in 2001.

**ADDRESSES:** Copies of the final recovery plan are available by request from the following offices: U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Snake River Fish and Wildlife Office, 1387 S. Vinnell Way, Suite 368, Boise, Idaho 83709 (telephone: 208-378-5243; fax: 208-378-5262); U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Helena Field Office, 585 Shepard Way, Helena, Montana 59601 (telephone: 406-449-5225; fax: 406-449-5339); U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, La Grande Field

Office, 3502 Highway 30, La Grande, Oregon 97850 (telephone: 541-962-8584; fax: 541-962-8581); and U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Upper Columbia Fish and Wildlife Office, 11103 East Montgomery Drive, Suite 2, Spokane, Washington 99206 (telephone: 509-891-6839; fax: 509-891-6748). Requests for copies of the document should be addressed to the Field Supervisor at the above offices. An electronic copy of the recovery plan will also be made available online at <http://endangered.fws.gov/recovery/index.html#plans> and at <http://idahoes.fws.gov>. Printed copies of the recovery plan will be available for distribution in 4 to 6 weeks.

#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Steve Duke, Division Chief, at the above Boise address (telephone: 208-387-5345; e-mail: [Steve\\_Duke@fws.gov](mailto:Steve_Duke@fws.gov)).

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

##### Background

Restoring endangered or threatened animals and plants to the point where they are again secure, self-sustaining members of their ecosystems is a primary goal of our endangered species program. The Endangered Species Act (16 U.S.C. 1531, *et seq.*) (ESA) requires the development of recovery plans for listed species unless such a plan would not promote the conservation of a particular species. Recovery plans help guide the recovery effort by describing actions considered necessary for the conservation of the species, establishing criteria for downlisting or delisting listed species, and estimating time and cost for implementing the measures needed for recovery.

The Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1531, *et seq.*) (Act), 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 Draft Recovery Plan for *Silene spaldingii* (Spalding's catchfly) was available for public comment from March 16 through May 15, 2006 (71 FR 13625). Information presented during the public comment period has been considered in the preparation of this final recovery plan, and is summarized in an appendix to the recovery plan. We will forward substantive comments regarding recovery plan implementation to appropriate Federal or other entities so they can take these comments into

account during the course of implementing recovery actions.

*Silene spaldingii* (Spalding's catchfly) is a long-lived perennial forb in the pink or carnation family (Caryophyllaceae) with four to seven pairs of lance-shaped leaves and small greenish-white flowers. The green portions of the plant are covered in sticky hairs that often catch debris and small insects, hence the common name of the plant, "Spalding's catchfly." *Silene spaldingii* is currently known from 99 primarily small populations; only 10 of these have more than 500 individuals, and an additional 23 populations have at least 100 individuals. Occupied habitat includes five physiographic regions in Idaho, Oregon, Washington, Montana, and British Columbia. These regions are as follows: the Palouse Grasslands in west-central Idaho and southeastern Washington, the Channeled Scablands in eastern Washington, the Blue Mountain Basins in northeastern Oregon, the Canyon Grasslands of the Snake River and its tributaries in Washington and Idaho, and the Intermontane Valleys of northwestern Montana and southern British Columbia.

*Silene spaldingii* is impacted by habitat loss due to human development, habitat degradation associated with domestic livestock and wildlife grazing, and invasions of aggressive nonnative plants. In addition, a loss of genetic fitness is a problem for many small, fragmented populations where genetic exchange is limited. Other impacts include changes in fire frequency and seasonality, off-road vehicle use, and herbicide spraying and drift.

The objective of this recovery plan is to recover *Silene spaldingii* by protecting and maintaining reproducing, self-sustaining populations in identified key conservation areas in each of its five distinct physiographic regions. Under the recovery plan this would be accomplished by developing habitat management plans at those key conservation areas that provide a strategy for managing *Silene spaldingii* and effectively address the threats to the species. Key conservation areas would need to support at least 500 reproducing individuals of *Silene spaldingii*, be composed of at least 80 percent native vegetation, have adjacent habitat to support pollinating insects, and are not small or fragmented (intact habitat, preferably at least 40 acres [16 hectares] in size). Delisting of *Silene spaldingii* would be considered when 27 populations occur rangewide at key conservation areas. Populations at these key conservation areas would have to demonstrate stable or increasing